

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS  
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Action Item

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Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING  
07-LA-110, PM 9.7/20.7, 07-LA-105, PM 4.9/9.6,  
RESOLUTION E-10-76**

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolution E-10-76.

## **ISSUE:**

The attached resolution proposes to approve for consideration of funding the following project for which a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) has been completed:

- Routes 110 and 10 in Los Angeles County. Convert existing high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes to high occupancy toll (HOT) lanes on Route 110 near the city of Los Angeles. (EA 27440)

This project in Los Angeles County will convert High Occupancy Vehicle lanes to High Occupancy Toll lanes. The project is programmed in the State-Local Partnership Program and includes federal and local funds. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2010-11. Total estimated project cost is \$69,300,000 for capital and support.

A copy of the FEIR has been provided to Commission staff. The project will not involve a substantial amount of construction activities but due to public interest and the large amount of public outreach and education involved with the project it was decided to prepare a higher level of environmental document. As a result, an Environmental Impact Report was prepared for the project.

Attachments

## **CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

### **Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding 07-LA-110, PM 9.7/20.7, 07-LA-105, PM 4.9/9.6 Resolution E-10-76**

- 1.1** **WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed a Environmental Impact Report pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
- Routes 110 and 10 in Los Angeles County. Convert existing high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes to high occupancy toll (HOT) lanes on Route 110 near the city of Los Angeles. (EA 27440)
- 1.2** **WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that the Environmental Impact Report has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3** **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Environmental Impact Report; and
- 1.4** **WHEREAS**, the Environmental Impact Report did not identify significant effects after mitigation; and
- 1.5** **WHEREAS**, Findings were made pursuant to the State CEQA Guidelines.
- 2.1** **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby support approval of the above referenced project to allow for consideration of funding.

## **FINDINGS**

### **CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FINDINGS FOR I-110 HIGH-OCCUPANCY TOLL LANES PROJECT**

The following information is presented to comply with State CEQA Guidelines (Title 14 California Code of Regulations, Chapter 3, Section 15901) and the Department of Transportation and California Transportation Commission Environmental Regulations (Title 21, California Code of Regulations, Chapter 11, Section 1501). Reference is made to the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for the project, which is the basic source for the information.

This is a one-year demonstration project. Although the Draft EIR identified community and hazardous waste impacts, it was determined in the Final EIR that these impacts fall below a level of significance. Since there are no significant impacts associated with the project, a Statement of Overriding Considerations is not necessary.

Figure 1-1 Project Area Map

