

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING**  
**06-FRE-168, PM 14.5/15.0**  
**RESOLUTION E-10-80**

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolution E-10-80.

## **ISSUE:**

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been completed:

- Route 168 in Fresno County. Roadway improvements including realignment of a portion of Route 168 near the city of Clovis. (PPNO 6359)

This project in Fresno County will realign Route 168 near the city of Fresno. The project is programmed in the 2010 State Highway Operation and Protection Program. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2011-12. Total estimated project cost is \$5,108,000 for capital and support. The scope as described for the preferred alternative is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2010 State Highway Operation and Protection Program.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will require construction activities in the habitat of the California tiger salamander and the San Joaquin kit fox, both of which are federally listed endangered and state listed threatened species. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachments

## **CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

### **Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding**

**06-Fre-168, 14.5/15.0**

**Resolution E-10-80**

- 1.1** **WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed a Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:

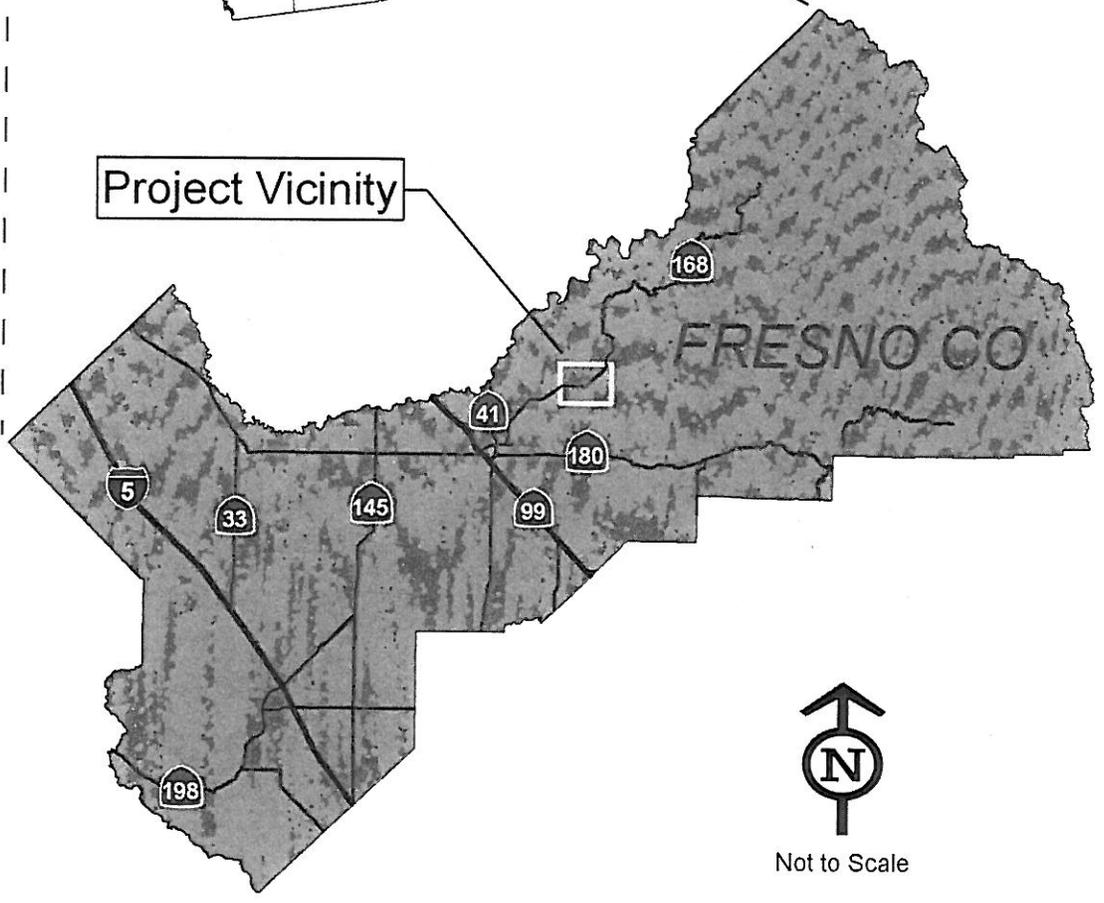
  - Route 168 in Fresno County. Roadway improvements including realignment of a portion of Route 168 near the city of Clovis. (PPNO 6359)
- 1.2** **WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that the Mitigated Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3** **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Mitigated Negative Declaration; and
- 1.4** **WHEREAS**, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- 2.1** **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby approve the above referenced project to allow for future consideration of funding.

# Project Vicinity Map

Shepherd Curve Re-alignment  
State Route 168



Project Vicinity



Not to Scale