

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: June 22-23, 2011

Reference No.: 2.2c.(15)
Action Item

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Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING**
05-SB-166, PM .09/2.3, 3.8/4.8
RESOLUTION E-11-49

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolution E-11-49.

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 166 in Santa Barbara County. Construct roadway improvements including relocation of drainage ditches along a portion of Route 166 near the city of Santa Maria. (PPNO 1850)

The project will relocate drainage ditches along State Route 166 from post mile 0.9 to post mile 2.3 and from post mile 3.8 to 4.8. The project is programmed in the 2010 State Highway Operation and Protection Program. Total estimated cost \$9,123,000 for capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2012-13. 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 mitigate potential impacts to biological resources, water quality, and community to a less than significant level. Potential impacts to threatened and endangered species in the project area will be mitigated by wildlife exclusion fencing and biological monitoring. Potential impacts to water quality will be mitigated by implementing a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan and implementation of Best Management Practices. Potential impacts to community in the form of property acquisitions will be mitigated by following the policies of the Real Property Acquisition Policies Act. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachments

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding

05-SB-166, PM .09/2.3, 3.8/4.8

Resolution E-11-49

- 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 166 in Santa Barbara County. Construct roadway improvements including relocation of drainage ditches along a portion of Route 166 near the city of Santa Maria. (PPNO 1850)
- 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.

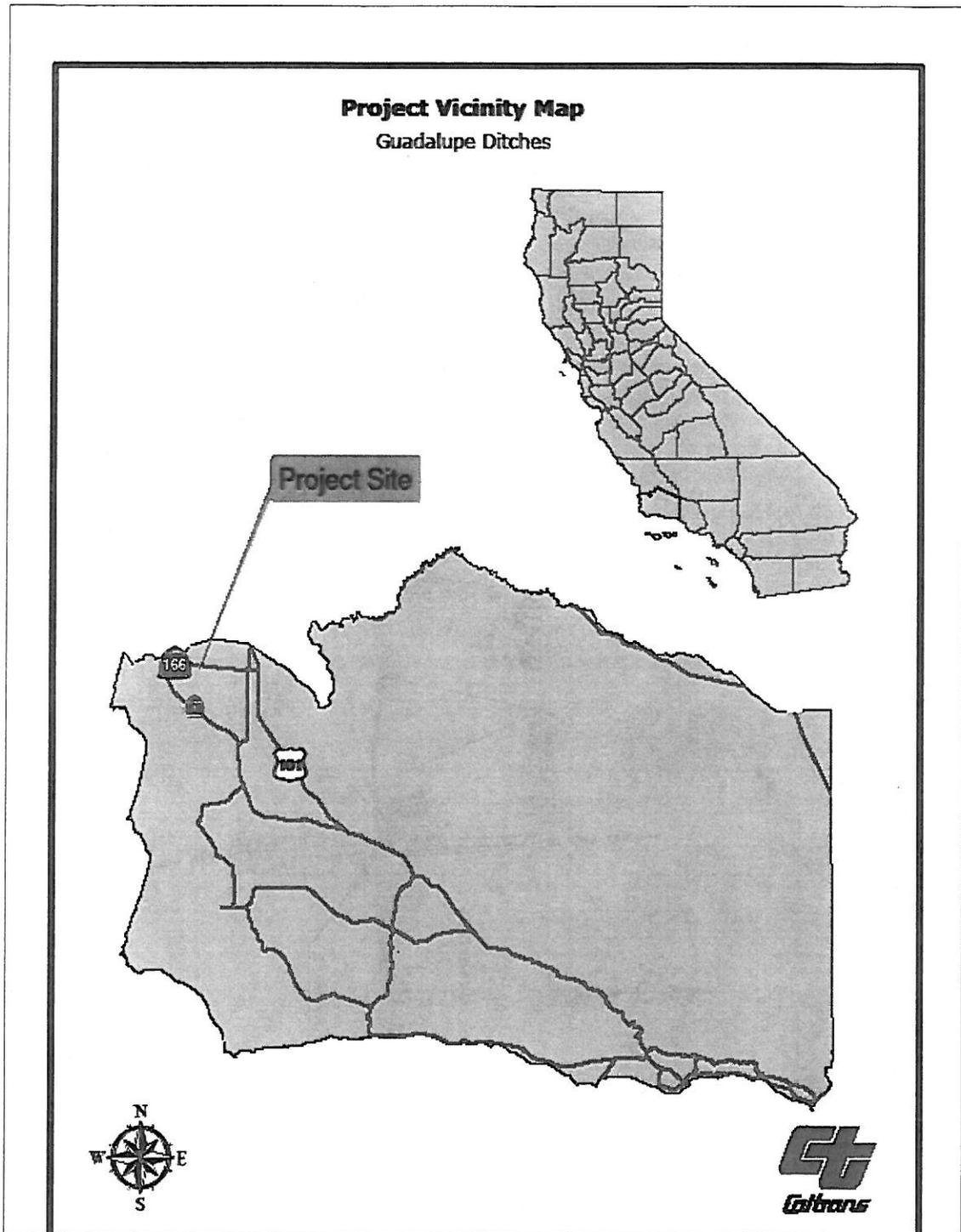


Figure 1-1 Project Vicinity Map