

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS  
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: December 14-15, 2011

Reference No.: 2.2c.(8)  
Action Item

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Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECTS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING  
AND NEW PUBLIC ROAD CONNECTION**

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolutions E-11-80, E-11-81, E-11-82, E-11-83, E-11-84, E-11-85, and E-11-86.

## **ISSUE:**

### **01-HUM-299, PM 20.2/20.5 RESOLUTION E-11-80**

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 299 in Humboldt County. Repair damage and stabilize two segments of SR 299 near Blue Lake. (PPNO 2274)

This project in Humboldt County will repair and stabilize two segments of State Route 299 near Blue Lake; including realigning lanes, installing underdrains and constructing two tieback walls. The project is programmed in the 2010 State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP). The total estimated project cost is \$21,069,000 for capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2011-12. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2010 SHOPP.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will mitigate potential impacts to biological resources and hydrology/water quality to a less than significant level. Potential impacts to hydrology/water quality and biological resources in the project area will be mitigated through restoration of existing wetlands and riparian areas to pre-project conditions. On-site revegetation planting will be provided to replace trees and shrubs removed during project construction. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 1

**ISSUE:**

**01-MEN-128, PM 34.5/35.5**  
**RESOLUTION E-11-81**

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 128 in Mendocino County. Roadway repairs and improvements on a portion of SR 128 near the town of Boonville. (PPNO 4463)

This project in Mendocino County will repair a segment of roadway and the adjacent slope on State Route 128, from Shearing Creek to 0.7 mile west of Maple Creek Bridge, near Boonville. The project is programmed in the 2010 State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP). The total estimated project cost is \$16,318,000 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 SHOPP.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will mitigate potential impacts to riparian and waters of the U.S to a less than significant level. Potential impacts to wetlands in the project area will be mitigated by replacing impacted wetlands at a 1:1 ratio. Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA) fencing will also be used in appropriate areas. Water quality impacts will be mitigated through implementation of Best Management Practices (BMP). As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 2

**ISSUE:**

**03-SUT-20, PM 12.6/13.6**  
**RESOLUTION E-11-82**

The attached resolution proposes to approve a new public road connection for the following project for which a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) has been completed:

- Route 20 in Sutter County. Construct a new public road connection on Route 20 in the city of Yuba City. (EA 3E2100)

This project in Sutter County will construct a new public road connection to State Route 20 at Western Parkway between Township Road and George Washington Boulevard in Yuba City. The project is entirely funded with local dollars. The project will need an approval for a new public road connection from the Commission. The total estimated cost is \$2,570,000. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2010-11.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission Staff. The project will mitigate potential impacts to water quality/storm water runoff to a less than significant level. Water quality impacts will be mitigated through implementation of BMPs. The City of Yuba City is the CEQA lead agency for the project and all mitigation measures are the responsibility of Yuba City. Yuba City did prepare and approve an MND for the project.

Attachment 3

**ISSUE:**

**04-NAP-121, PM 20.2/20.4**  
**RESOLUTION E-11-83**

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 121 in Napa County. Replacement of an existing bridge on SR 121 near the city of Napa. (PPNO 0384G)

This project in Napa County will replace the Capell Creek Bridge (Bridge Number 21-0009) on State Route 121. The project is programmed in the 2010 State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP). The total estimated project cost is \$10,880,000 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 SHOPP.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will mitigate potential impacts to aesthetics to a less than significant level. Potential impacts to the vegetation in the project area will be mitigated through hydro-seeding with appropriate plant species. Oak trees removed will be replaced at a 3:1 ratio. Non-native trees will be replaced at a 1:1 ratio. Potential impacts to aesthetics will be mitigated by requiring the new bridge railing to have a finish pattern, surface texture, and coloration that mimic the original railing. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 4

**ISSUE:**

**05-SLO-101, PM 25.5/26.3**  
**RESOLUTION E-11-84**

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 101 in San Luis Obispo County. Roadway improvements on a portion of SR 101 including widening of an existing overpass and bridge in the city of San Luis Obispo. (PPNO 7300)

This project in San Luis Obispo County will widen the Los Osos Valley Road overcrossing and the adjacent bridge crossing over San Luis Obispo Creek in the city of San Luis Obispo. The project is programmed in the 2010 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and includes local funds. The total estimated project cost is \$19,584,000 for capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2014-15. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the 2010 STIP.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will mitigate potential impacts to biological, paleontological, and cultural resources and impacts to aesthetics, water quality, noise, and air quality to a less than significant level. Potential impacts to biological resources in the project area will be mitigated in accordance with the Biological Opinion rendered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Potential impacts to paleontological resources will be mitigated by implementing a paleontological resource plan. Potential impacts to water quality will be mitigated through implementing BMPs and a storm water pollution prevention plan. Potential noise impacts will be mitigated by including construction sound control measures and limiting night work. Potential impacts to aesthetics will be mitigated by implementing a lighting plan and a landscape plan. Potential impacts to cultural resources will be mitigated by stop work requirements if a cultural resource is found. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 5

**ISSUE:**

**05-SLO-101, PM 36.0/37.5**  
**RESOLUTION E-11-85**

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 101 in San Luis Obispo County. Roadway improvements including new median barriers on a portion of SR 101 near the city of San Luis Obispo. (PPNO 1994)

This project in San Luis Obispo County on US 101 will build a concrete median barrier, remove the existing metal-beam guardrail and temporary railing, and replace the sand-filled barrel array with a crash-cushion system. The project will also extend the existing southbound left-turn lane and add northbound and southbound acceleration lanes at the intersection of US 101 and Tassajara Creek Road. The project is programmed in the 2010 State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP). The total estimated cost is \$6,988,000. 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 SHOPP.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will mitigate potential impacts to biological resources and aesthetics to a less than significant level. Potential impacts to biological resources will be mitigated through the use of ESA fencing and the use of Caltrans standard bird protection specifications. In addition, median barrier openings will be placed to reduce animal entrapment on the highway. Potential impacts to aesthetics will be mitigated by implementing a landscape plan for the project. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 6

**ISSUE:**

**08-SBD-15, PM 6.3/7.1**  
**RESOLUTION E-11-86**

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 15 in San Bernardino County. Roadway and interchange improvements at SR 15 and Base Line Road in the cities of Fontana and Rancho Cucamonga. ( PPNO 0168J)

This project in San Bernardino County will improve the Interstate 15 (I-15)/ Base Line Road Interchange in Rancho Cucamonga, including widening Base Line Road from four to six lanes, widening East Avenue from two to four lanes, adding right and left turn lanes on Base Line Road and on East Avenue, realigning and widening the southbound and northbound diamond ramps from one to two lanes, adding a southbound loop on-ramp, and adding I-15 acceleration/deceleration lanes. The project is programmed in the Proposition 1B State-Local Partnership Program (SLPP) and includes local funds. The total estimated project cost is \$43,100,000 for capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2011-12. The scope, as described for the preferred alternative, is consistent with the project scope programmed by the Commission in the SLPP.

A copy of the MND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will mitigate potential impacts to wetlands and other waters to a less than significant level. Potential impacts to wetlands will be mitigated through the purchase of mitigation credits from an off-site mitigation bank or participation in an in-lieu fee program. As a result, an MND was completed for this project.

Attachment 7

## CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

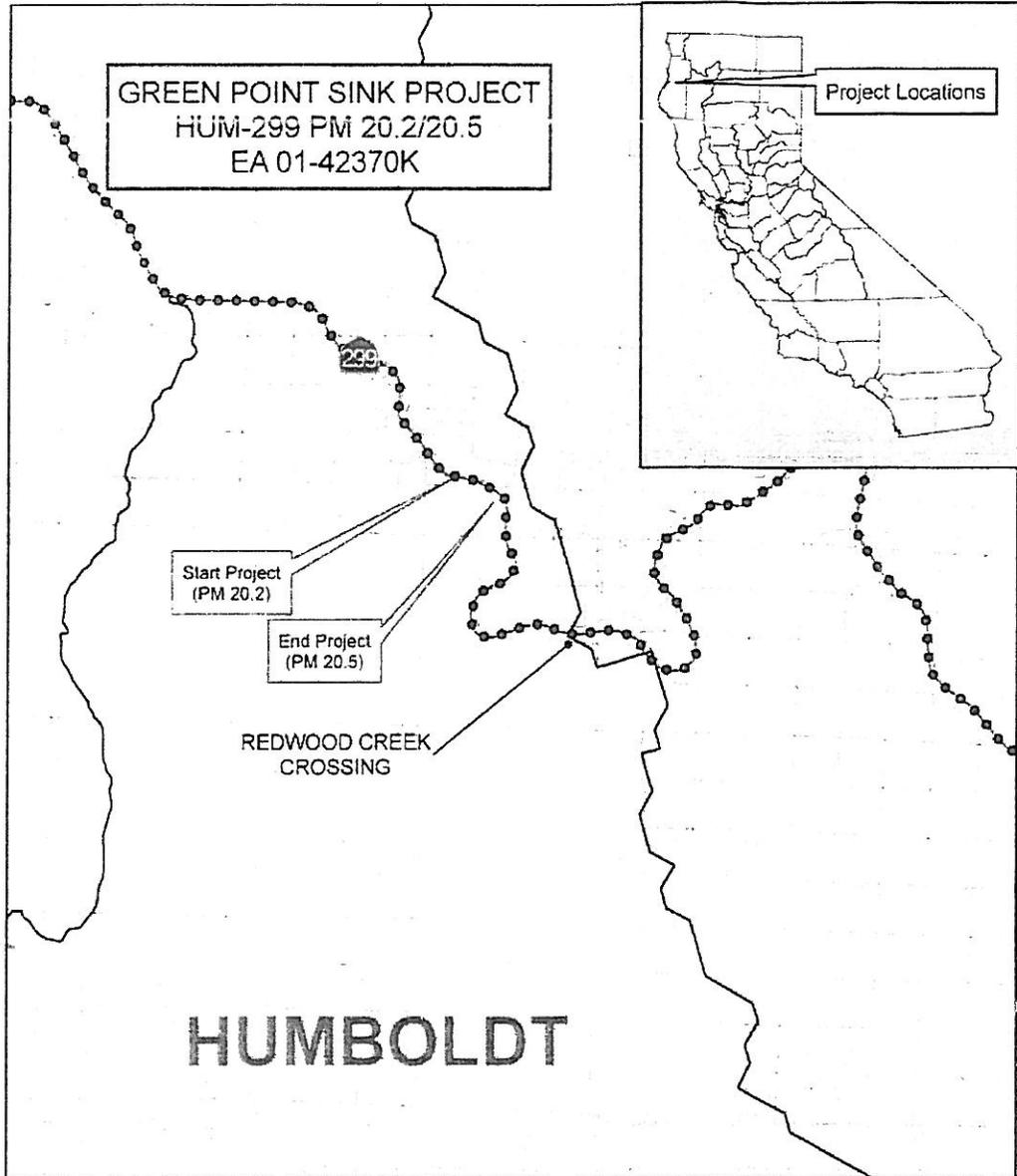
### Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding

01-HUM-299, PM 20.2/20.5

Resolution E-11-80

- 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 299 in Humboldt County. Repair damage and stabilized two segments of SR299 near Blue Lake (PPNO 2274)
- 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 Location Map



SEE ATTACHMENT A FOR TOPOGRAPHIC INFORMATION



## CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

### Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding

01-MEN-128, PM 34.5/35.5

Resolution E-11-81

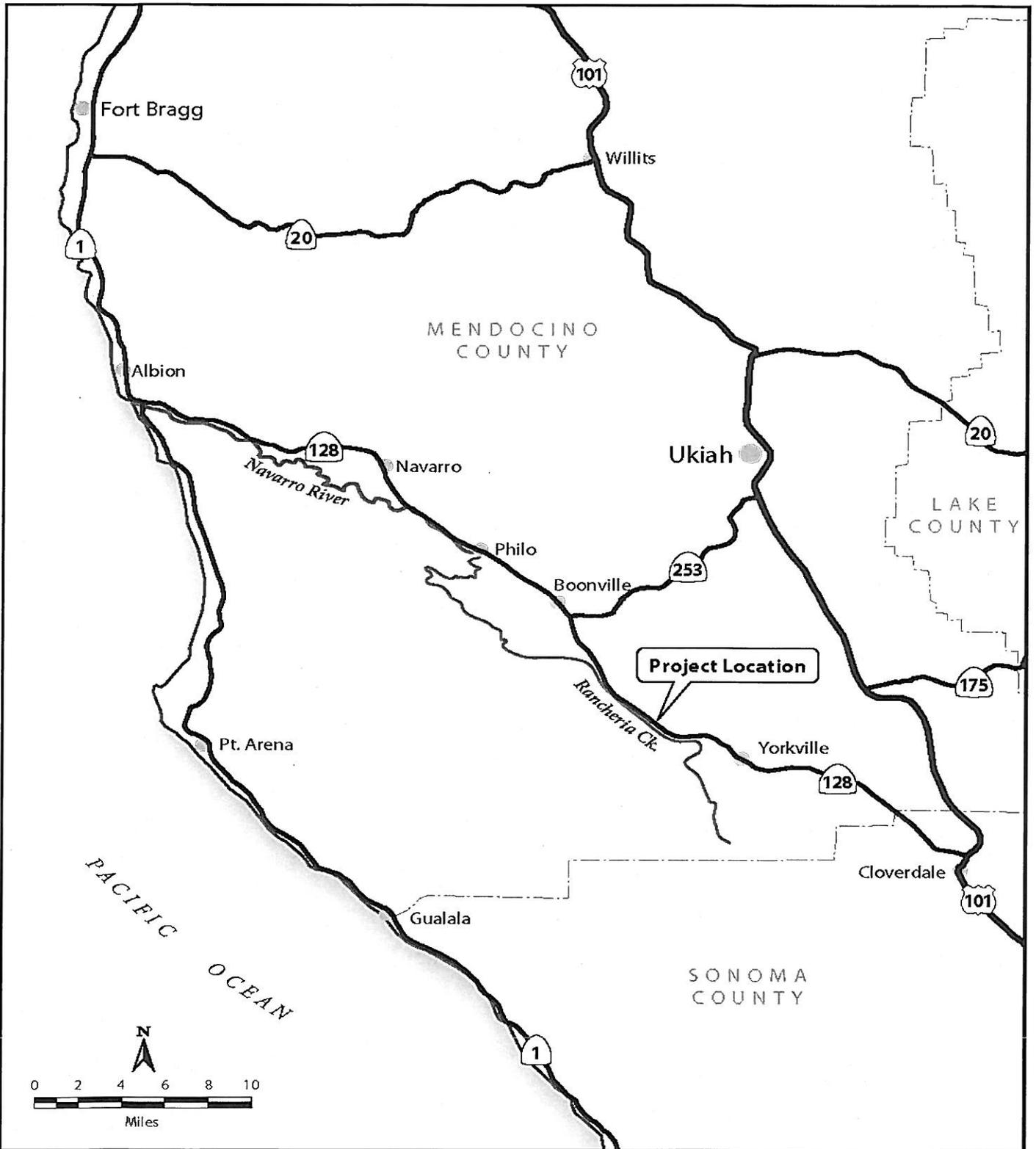
- 1.1 **WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed a Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
  - Route 128 in Mendocino County. Roadway repairs and improvements on a portion of SR 128 near the town of Boonville. (PPNO 4463)
- 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.

# ATTACHMENT 2

Smoot Sink Storm Damage Repair Project

01-MEN-128-PM 34.5/35.5

EA: 47660/EFIS: 0100000351



PROJECT LOCATION MAP

# ATTACHMENT 3

## CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

### Resolution for New Public Road Connection

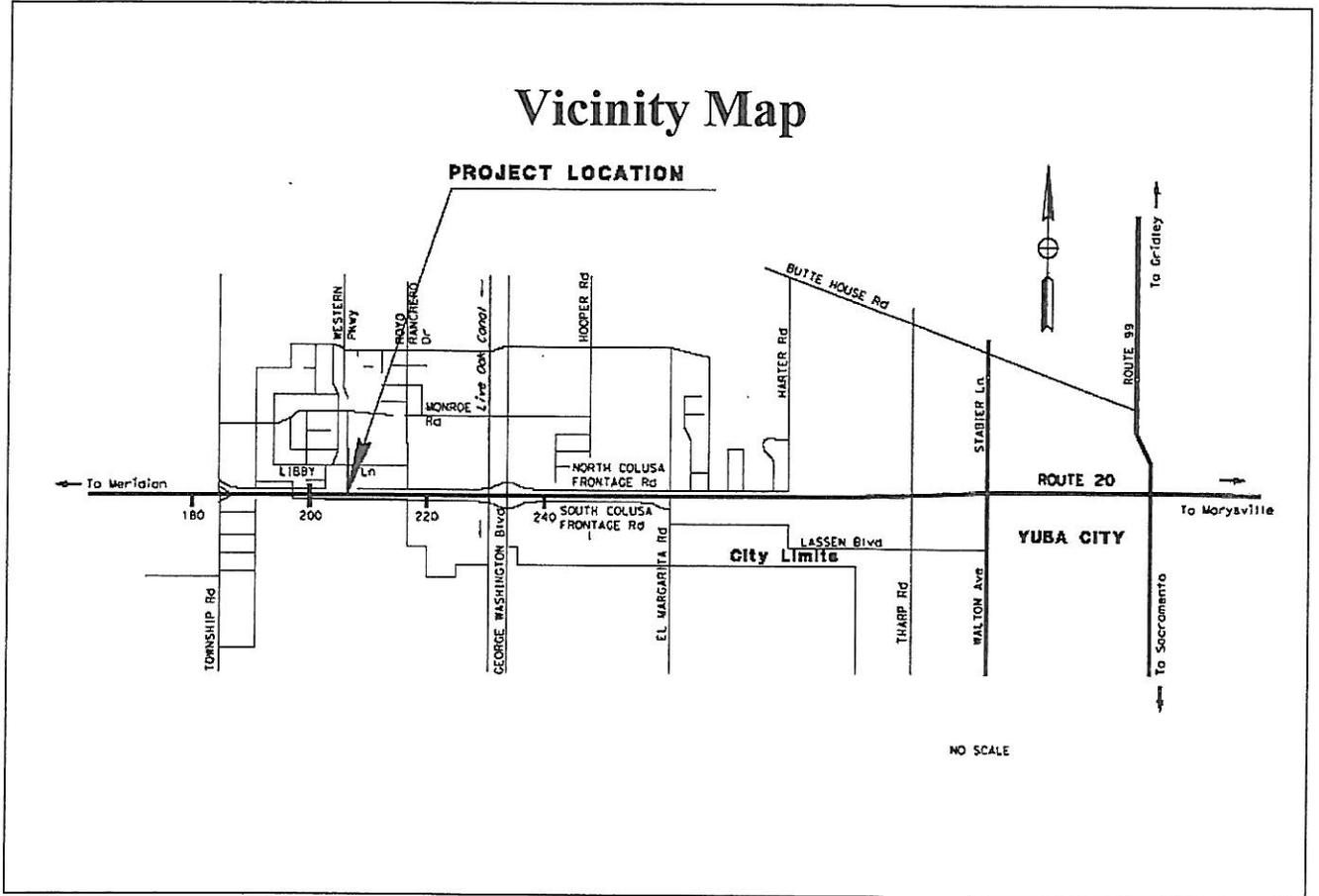
03-SUT-20, PM 12.6/13.6

Resolution E-11-82

- 1.1 **WHEREAS**, the city of Yuba City (City) has completed a Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
  - Route 20 in Sutter County. Construct a new public road connection on Route 20 in the city of Yuba City. (EA 3E2100)
- 1.2 **WHEREAS**, the City 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 a new public road connection.

# ATTACHMENT 3

03-SUT-20-PM 12.6/13.6  
SPECIAL FUNDED PROJECT  
03198-3E2100  
JULY 2011



On Route 20

Between TOWNSHIP ROAD

And GEORGE WASHINGTON BOULEVARD

## CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

### Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding

04-NAP-121, PM 20.2/20.4

Resolution E-11-83

- 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 121 in Napa County. Replacement of an existing bridge on SR 121 near the city of Napa. (PPNO 0384G)
- 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- Project Location



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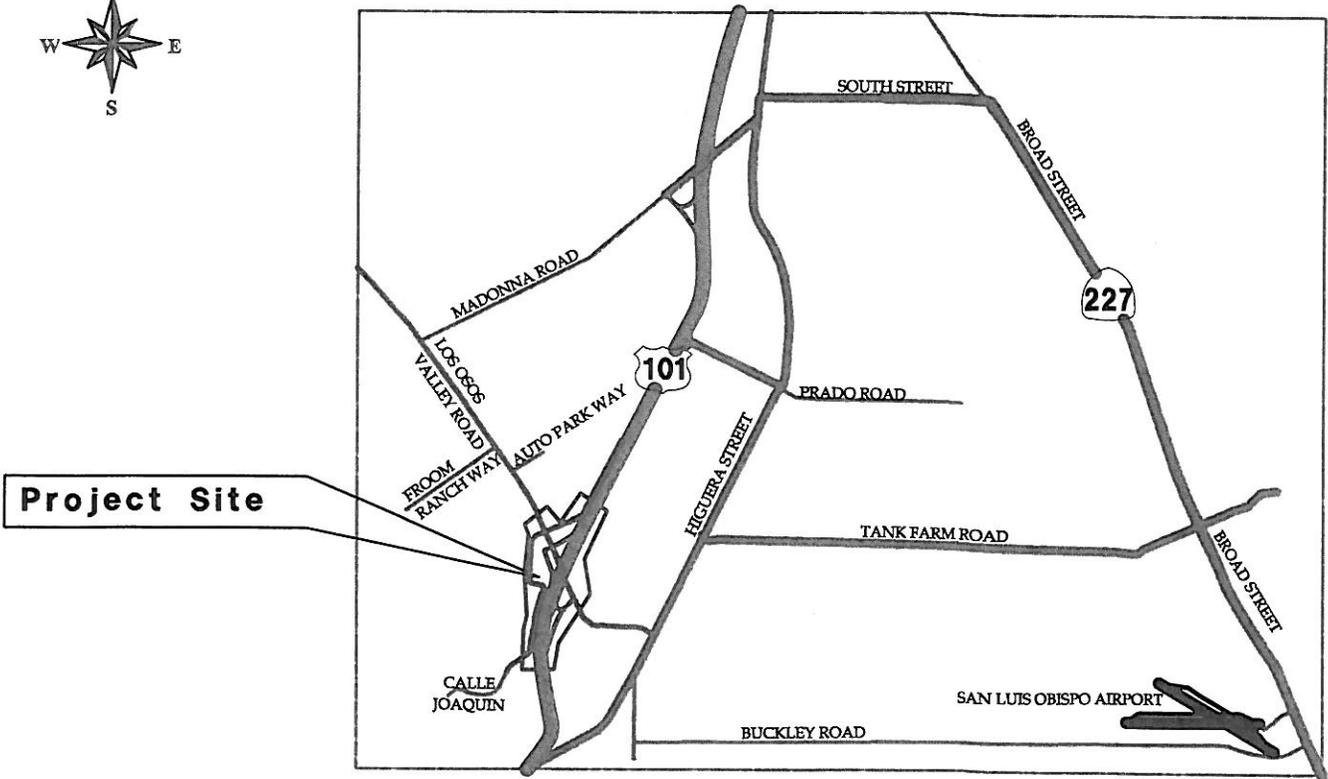
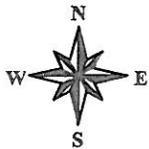
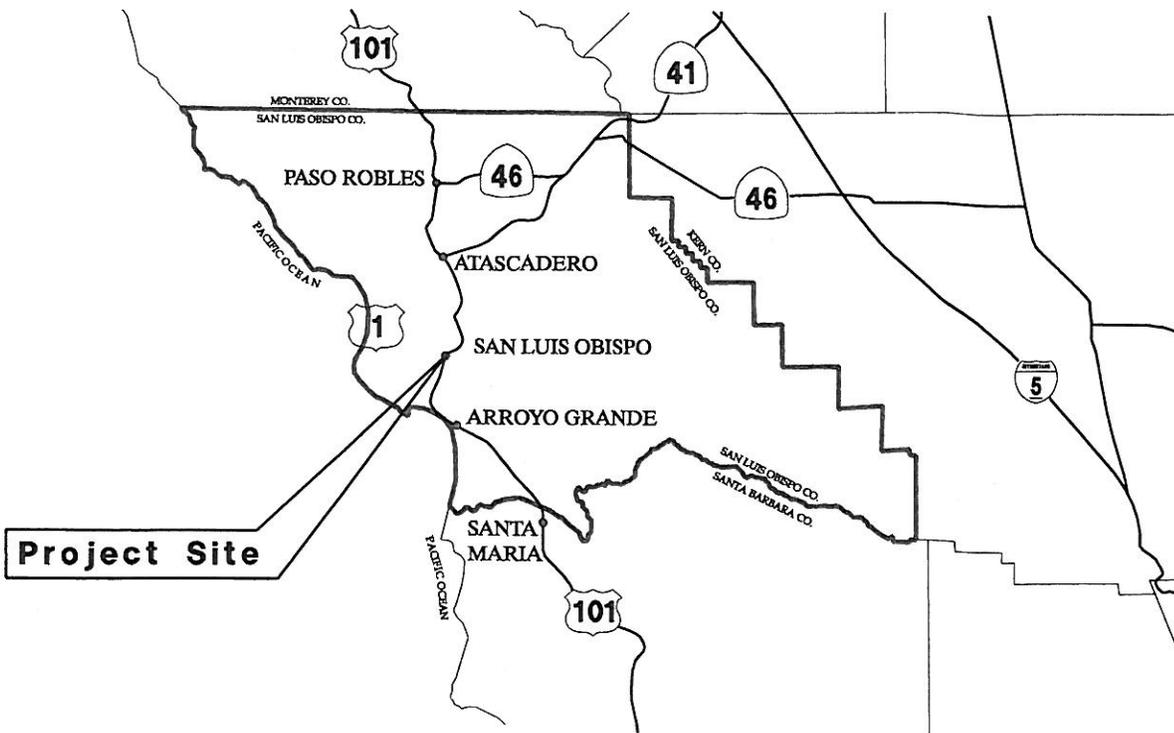
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- 1.2 **WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that the Mitigated Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3 **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a 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.

# SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY



## LOCATION MAP

LOS OSOS VALLEY ROAD / US 101  
INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS

DATE: APRIL 2008

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## CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

### **Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding 05-SLO-101, PM 36.0/37.5 Resolution E-11-85**

- 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 101 in San Luis Obispo County. Roadway improvements including new median barriers on a portion of SR 101 near the city of San Luis Obispo. (PPNO 1994)
- 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.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
 PROJECT PLANS FOR CONSTRUCTION ON  
 STATE HIGHWAY

IN SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY  
 NEAR SANTA MARGARITA FROM  
 0.8 MI SOUTH TO 0.7 MI NORTH  
 OF TASSAJARA CREEK ROAD

BEGIN CONSTRUCTION  
 "SBETW1" Sta 325+60.23 PM 36.0

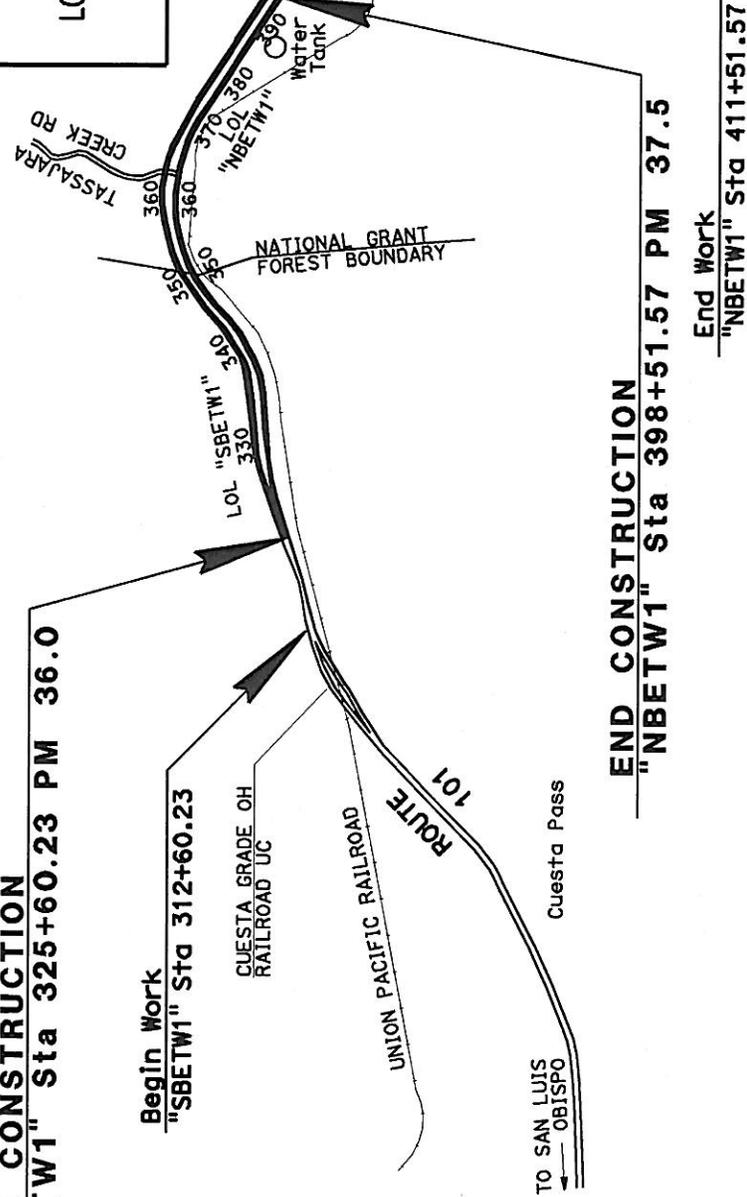
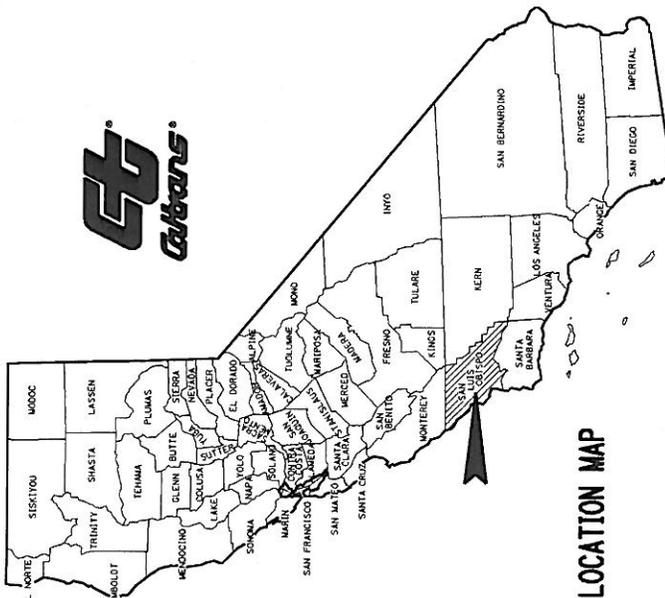
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END CONSTRUCTION  
 "NBETW1" Sta 398+51.57 PM 37.5

End Work  
 "NBETW1" Sta 411+51.57

NO SCALE

Dist	COUNTY	ROUTE	POST MILES TOTAL PROJECT	SHEET No.	TOTAL SHEETS
05	SLO	101	36.0/37.5		



CONTRACT No.	05-0Q6304
PROJECT ID	0500000320

## CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

### Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding

08-SBD-15, PM 6.3/7.1

Resolution E-11-86

- 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 15 in San Bernardino County. Roadway and interchange improvements at SR 15 and Base Line Road in the cities of Fontana and Rancho Cucamonga. (PPNO 0168J)
- 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.

# ATTACHMENT 7

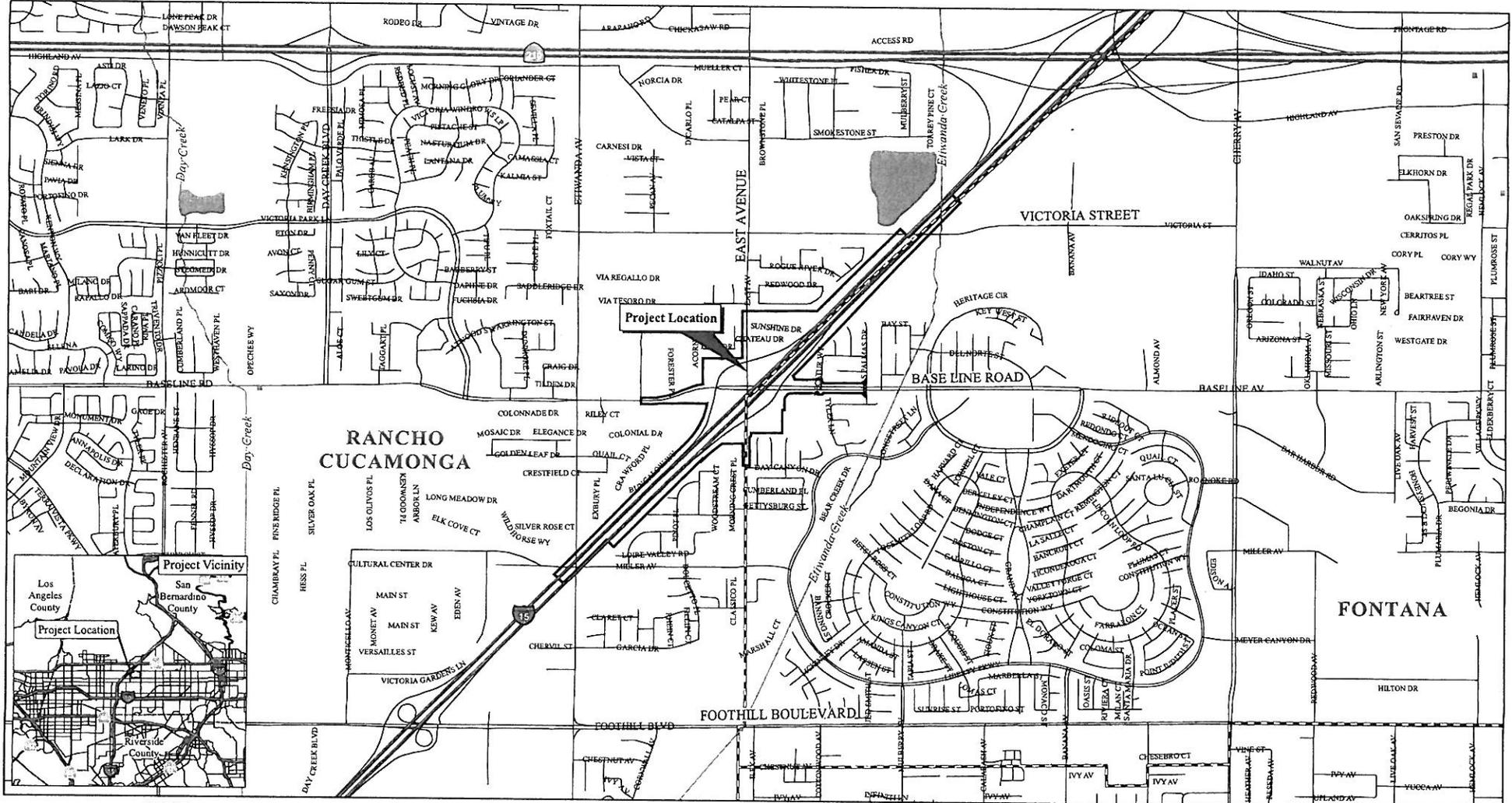
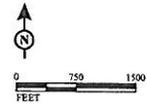


FIGURE 1.1

I-15 / Base Line Road Interchange Project  
 Project Location & Vicinity  
 08-SBD-15 K.P. 10.1/11.4 (P.M. 6.3/7.1)  
 EA# 08-497100



SOURCE: TBM (2008)  
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