

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: April 25-26, 2012

Reference No.: 2.2c. (8)
Action

From: BIMLA G. RHINEHART
Executive Director

Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE DESCHUTES ROAD-FACTORY
OUTLETS DRIVE/INTERSTATE 5 INTERCHANGE MODIFICATIONS PROJECT
(RESOLUTION E-12-24)**

ISSUE:

Should the Commission, as a Responsible Agency, accept the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Deschutes Road-Factory Outlets Drive/Interstate 5 Interchange Modifications Project (project) in Shasta County and approve the project for future consideration of funding?

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Commission accept the MND and approve the project for future consideration of funding.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Anderson (City) is the CEQA lead agency for the project. On January 5, 2010 the City adopted the MND and found that the project would not have a significant effect on the environment after mitigation.

The project is located in the city of Anderson in Shasta County. The project will construct a new northbound off-ramp from Interstate 5 (I-5) to Deschutes Road. The ramp will terminate in a modern roundabout intersection. The project will also construct a new retaining wall and mixed use path for pedestrians and bicyclists. Lighting and landscaping will be installed at the roundabout intersections.

Impacts that require mitigation measures to be reduced to a less than significant level relate to traffic, cultural resources, water quality and storm water run-off, soils, paleontology, air quality, and hazardous materials. Mitigation measures include, but are not limited to, spacing lane closures no closer than three miles in the same direction of travel to avoid traffic control conflicts; installing silt fencing or straw bale siltation barriers between the construction area and all Water of the United

States; fueling construction vehicles at fixed fueling stations; and watering all active unpaved construction areas to control fugitive dusts.

On March 30, 2012 the County confirmed that the preferred alternative set forth in the final environmental document is consistent with the project scope of work programmed by the Commission.

The project is estimated to cost \$7,275,000 and is programmed with State (\$5,000,000) funds and Local (\$2,275,000) funds. The project is proposed by sponsor for consideration of CMIA Savings. Construction is estimated to begin in fiscal year 2011/12.

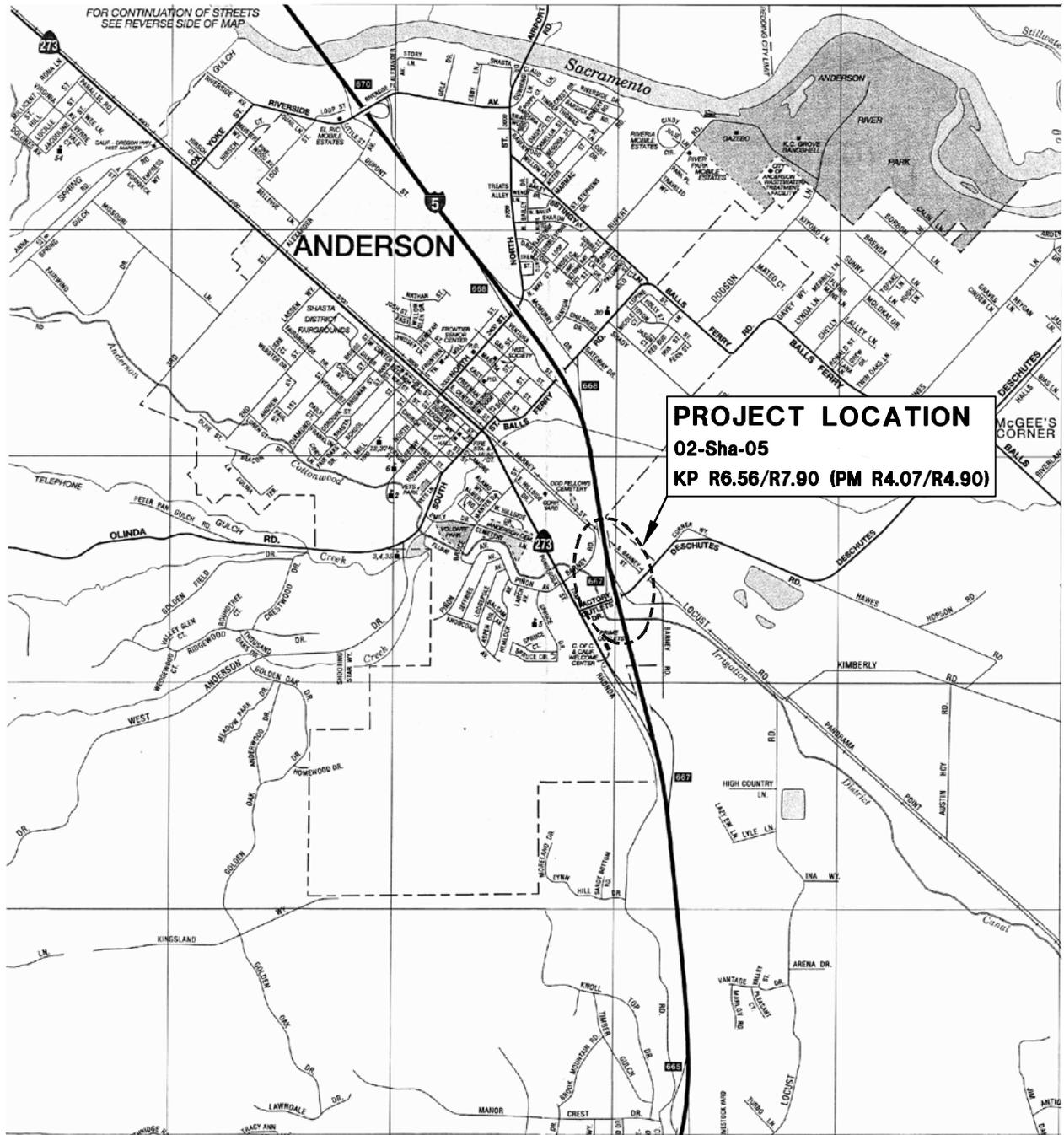
Attachment

- Resolution E-12-24
- Project Location

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding 02 – Shasta County Resolution E-12-24

- 1.1 **WHEREAS**, the City of Anderson (City) has completed a Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
 - Deschutes Road-Factory Outlets Drive/Interstate 5 Interchange Modifications Project
- 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 project will construct a new off-ramp that will terminate in a modern roundabout, construct a new retaining wall and mixed use path, and install lighting and landscaping at the roundabout intersection in the City of Anderson, Shasta County; and
- 1.4 **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a Responsible Agency, has considered the information contained in the Mitigated Negative Declaration; and
- 1.5 **WHEREAS**, the City found that all significant or potentially significant impacts can be reduced by mitigation measures to a less than significant level; and
- 1.6 **WHEREAS**, the City adopted the Mitigated Negative Declaration; and
- 1.7 **WHEREAS**, the City adopted a Mitigation Monitoring Reporting Program for the project.
- 2.1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby accept the Mitigated Negative Declaration and approve the above referenced project to allow for future consideration of funding.



Deschutes Road/Route 5 Interchange PSR/PR

Attachment 1

Location Map

