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To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR STATE-LOCAL PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM PROJECT, PER SLPP GUIDELINES WAIVER-12-16**

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve the request by the City of Anaheim (City) to extend the period of contract award for the Proposition 1B State-Local Partnership Program (SLPP) for the Tustin Avenue and La Palma Avenue widening project for 12 months from April 30, 2012 to April 30, 2013, per SLPP Guidelines.

ISSUE:

On October 26, 2011, the Commission allocated \$1,000,000 to the City for construction of the Tustin Avenue and La Palma Avenue widening project. The City will be unable to award the contract by the award deadline of April 30, 2012. The City is requesting a 12-month time extension to April 30, 2013.

BACKGROUND:

The Tustin Ave and La Palma Ave widening project includes road widening and reconfiguring, dedicated left and right turn only lanes, new through lanes, and a new right turn lane onto the State Route 91 Westbound ramp.

The right-of-way phase started in February 2011. After months of negotiations, the City has been unable to reach an agreement with the property owners. In January 2012, the City passed Resolution Number 2012-004 and Number 2012-005, which states the necessity for the acquisition of the properties and starts the eminent domain process. The City expects to get order of possession (property acquisition) by July 2012, and will proceed with the right-of-way certification process. The project is now scheduled to be advertised in October 2012, and awarded in January 2013. The City is also requesting an additional three months if any unforeseen issues arise.

In April 2010, the Commission adopted the SLPP Guidelines (Resolution SLP1B-G-0910-002), which require the agency implementing a project to request a time extension if the project will not be awarded within six months of the allocation. The SLPP Guidelines stipulate that the Commission may approve a waiver to the timely use of funds deadline one time only for up to 20 months.