

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS  
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: October 8, 2013

Reference No.: 2.8b.(5)  
Action Item

From: STEVEN KECK  
Acting Chief Financial Officer

Prepared by: Jane Perez  
Division Chief  
Mass Transportation

Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR PROPOSITION 1A  
HIGH-SPEED PASSENGER TRAIN BOND (HSPTB) PROJECTS, PER HSPTB GUIDELINES  
WAIVER 13-46**

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve a six-month time extension for the period of contract award to May 31, 2014, for the Regional Connector Transit Corridor project, in Los Angeles County.

## **ISSUE:**

On May 7, 2013, the Commission approved Resolution HST1A-A-1213-06 allocating \$114,874,000 in Proposition 1A High-Speed Passenger Train Bond (HSPTB) funds to the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) for the Regional Connector Transit Corridor project. The MTA has been unable to award the third-party contract due to a delay in the procurement process of the Design-Build contract.

The delay is a result of amendments required during the Request for Proposal process, including updates to the design criteria and standards, as well as contract scope modifications. The project management team has taken all possible mitigation measures to limit any further changes to the procurement process. Therefore, MTA respectfully requests a six-month time extension for contract award to May 31, 2014.

## **BACKGROUND:**

In February 2010, the Commission adopted Proposition 1A HSPTB Guidelines (Resolution HST1A-G-0910-01) 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.