

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: June 25, 2014

Reference No.: 2.2c. (3)
Action

From: ANDRE BOUTROS
Executive Director

Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING -
NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE BOWMAN ROAD SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL
PROJECT (RESOLUTION E-14-26)**

ISSUE:

Should the Commission, as a Responsible Agency, accept the Negative Declaration (ND) for the Bowman Road Safe Routes to School Project (Project) in Tehama County and approve the project for future consideration of funding?

RECOMMENDATION:

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

BACKGROUND:

Tehama County (County) is the CEQA lead agency for the project. On February 26, 2013, the County adopted the final ND and found that the project would not have a significant effect on the environment. As a result, mitigation measures are not required for the project.

The project is located approximately five miles west of Interstate-5 and 16 miles northwest of the City of Red Bluff on Bowman Road in the Bowman/Cottonwood Creek area of Tehama County. The project will construct an approximately one mile long Class I bicycle path along the south side of Bowman Road between Sebastian Court and Evergreen Middle School as well as improve three bus stops along Bowman Road at the following locations: Starr Road, Keeper Way, and Rory Lane including a paved bus pullout and bicycle racks at each location.

On May 5, 2014, 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 \$677,870 and is fully funded through construction with STIP (\$80,000), other State (\$578,420) and Local (\$19,450) funds. Construction is estimated to begin in fiscal year 2014/15.

Attachment

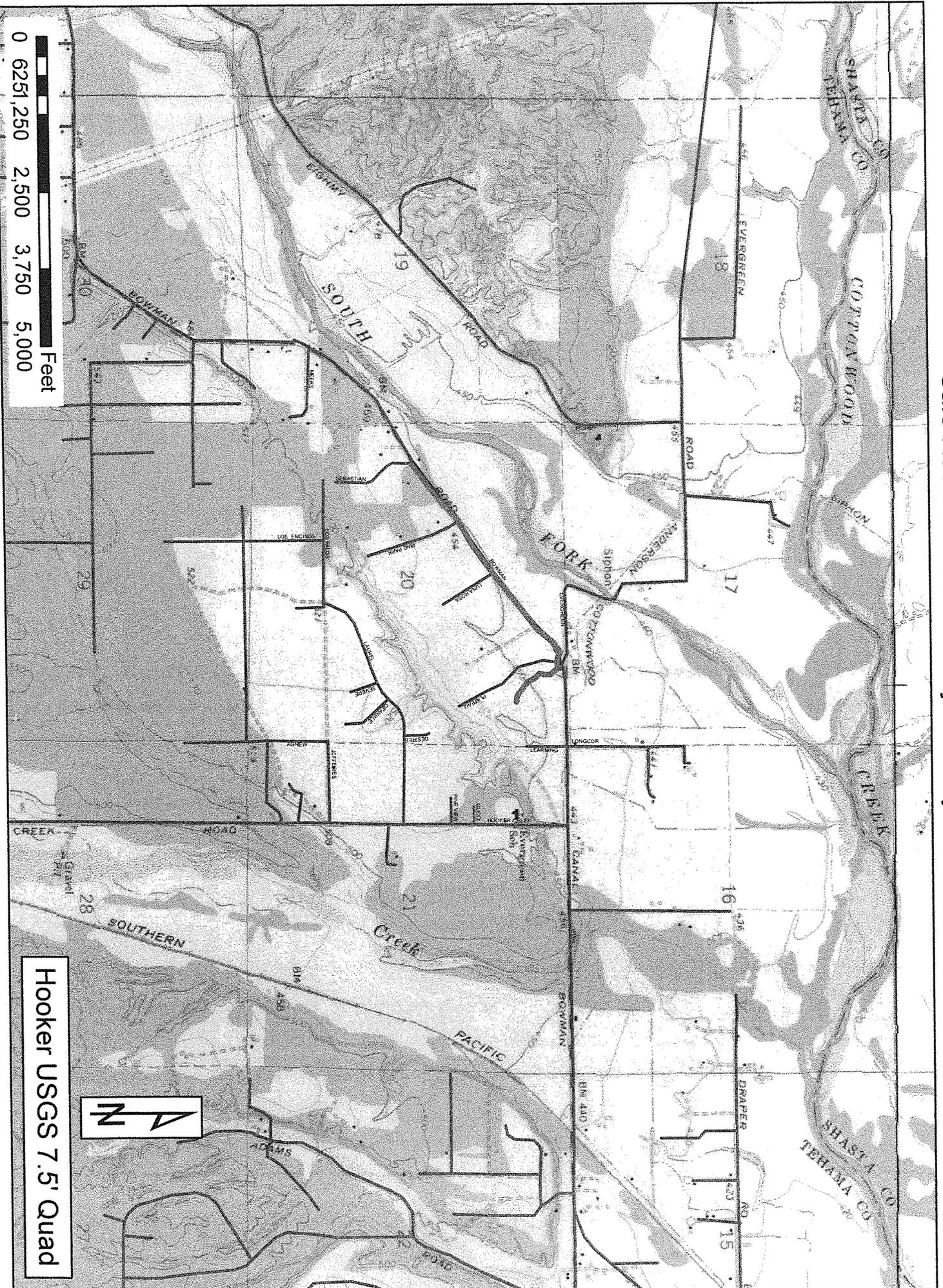
- Resolution E-14-26
- Project Location

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding 02 – Tehama County Resolution E-14-26

- 1.1 **WHEREAS**, the County of Tehama (County) has completed a Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
 - Bowman Road Safe Routes to School Project
- 1.2 **WHEREAS**, the County has certified that the Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3 **WHEREAS**, the project will construct an approximately one mile long Class I bicycle path along the south side of Bowman Road between Sebastian Court and Evergreen Middle School as well as improve three bus stops along Bowman Road at the following locations: Starr Road, Keeper Way, and Rory Lane including a paved bus pullout and bicycle racks at each location; and
- 1.4 **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a Responsible Agency, has considered the information contained in the Final Negative Declaration; and
- 1.5 **WHEREAS**, the County found that the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment; and
- 1.6 **WHEREAS**, the County approved the Final Negative Declaration.
- 2.1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby accept the Final Negative Declaration and approve the above referenced project to allow for future consideration of funding.

Bowman Road
Safe Routes to School Project - Bicycle Path



0 625, 1,250 2,500 3,750 5,000 Feet

Hooker USGS 7.5' Quad

