

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: October 19-20, 2016

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Action

From: SUSAN BRANSEN  
Executive Director

Subject: **TRADE CORRIDORS IMPROVEMENT FUND (TCIF) PROGRAM AMENDMENT  
RESOLUTION TCIF-P-1617-05**

## **ISSUE:**

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) amend the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund (TCIF) Program to add the Interstate 405 Improvement Project and the San Juan Creek Bridge Replacement Project, both located in Orange County, as TCIF Projects 122 and 123, at a cost of \$7.771 million and \$3.094 million respectively in TCIF funds?

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Commission staff recommends the Commission approve the proposed TCIF Program Amendment to add into the TCIF Program Projects 122 and 123: the Interstate 405 Improvement Project and the San Juan Creek Bridge Replacement Project.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The Southern California Consensus Group (SCCG) and the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) propose to amend the TCIF Program by including the Interstate 405 Improvement Project as Project 122 and the San Juan Creek Bridge Replacement Project as Project 123 in the Los Angeles/Inland Empire Corridor element of the TCIF Program. Project proponents also propose that the Commission program \$7.771 and \$3.094 million respectively in TCIF funds to the projects for construction.

### **Interstate 405 Improvement Project**

The proposed Interstate 405 Improvement Project will add a general purpose lane, a toll express lane, rebuild several bridges and overcrossings, and modify on/off ramps. These improvements will benefit the movement of goods along the corridor which connects the San Diego and U.S./Mexico border region with the ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles. The Interstate 405 Improvement Project will improve reliability by reducing travel times and will reduce greenhouse gas emissions by improving traffic flow. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$1.9 billion and will be administered under a Design-Build delivery method.

San Juan Creek Bridge Replacement Project

The proposed San Juan Creek Bridge Replacement Project will replace an existing 100-year old railroad bridge with a new railroad bridge which meets current standards. The San Juan Creek Bridge Replacement project will improve reliability by reducing the maintenance and inspection efforts and improve throughput by providing for heavier trainloads and additional freight and passenger service. The bridge replacement also ensures ongoing reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by eliminating the need to shift freight from rail onto trucks due to a bridge closure. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$34.2 million and construction is expected to begin in October 2018.

**RESOLUTION TCIF-P-1617-05:**

Be it Resolved, that the California Transportation Commission does hereby amend the TCIF Program by adding the Interstate 405 Improvement Project as Project 122 and the San Juan Creek Bridge Replacement Project as Project 123.

Attachment



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July 11, 2016

Ms. Susan Bransen  
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Dear Ms. Bransen:

The Southern California Consensus Group has discussed and is in agreement with the TCIF programming amendment requested by our partner agency. It is our understanding that the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) is requesting the deprogramming of \$5.496 million in TCIF funds from the Kraemer Boulevard Grade Separation Project and reprogramming this amount plus \$2.275 million in TCIF project savings from the Colton Crossing in San Bernardino County (for a total of \$7.771 million) into the I-405 Improvement Project.

Please see the attached letter detailing the programming request. We understand OCTA intends to submit a formal request for consideration by the CTC in October 2016. Please direct any questions or comments regarding this issue to me at (213) 418-3010.

We appreciate the ongoing support and guidance provided by you and your staff.

Sincerely,

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Please see the attached letter detailing the programming request. We understand OCTA intends to submit a formal request for consideration by the CTC in October 2016. Please direct any questions or comments regarding this issue to me at (213) 418-3010.

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