

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: March 5, 2013

Reference No.: 2.2c (5)
Action

From: BIMLA G. RHINEHART
Executive Director

Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE PIONEER BLUFF BRIDGE PROJECT
(RESOLUTION E-13-15)**

ISSUE:

Should the Commission, as a Responsible Agency, accept the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Pioneer Bluff Bridge Project (project) in Yolo 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 West Sacramento (City) is the CEQA lead agency for the project. On February 20, 2013 the City adopted the final 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 West Sacramento on South River Road over the Barge Canal. The project will construct a bridge connecting the existing two lane South River Road cul-de-sac on the north side of the Barge Canal with South River Road on the south side of the canal. The bridge will be approximately 615 feet long, 80 feet wide and will include one 12 foot lane in each direction, one future un-striped lane in each direction, a raised median, 4-6 foot shoulders, and two 6 foot walkways separated from traffic by a concrete barrier. The project will also construct roadway and drainage improvements on the South River Road approaches and install a signal at the 15th Street/South River Road intersection. Additional traffic control devices will be included if deemed necessary.

Impacts that require mitigation measures to be reduced to a less than significant level relate to biological resources, hydrology & water quality, and transportation/traffic. Mitigation measures include, but are not limited to: implementing dust and emissions control measures during

construction activities; avoidance and minimization efforts associated with various plant, avian, and invertebrate species including pre-construction surveys, removal of vegetation outside the nesting season and development of a habitat restoration plan; implementation of erosion and sediment control measures to protect water quality; avoidance and minimization efforts associated with cultural resources; development of a traffic management plan, and installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of 15th Street and South River Road.

On January 14, 2013, the City 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 \$10,560,500 and is fully funded through construction with TCIF (\$9,678,000) and Local (\$882,500) funds. Construction is estimated to begin in fiscal year 2013/14.

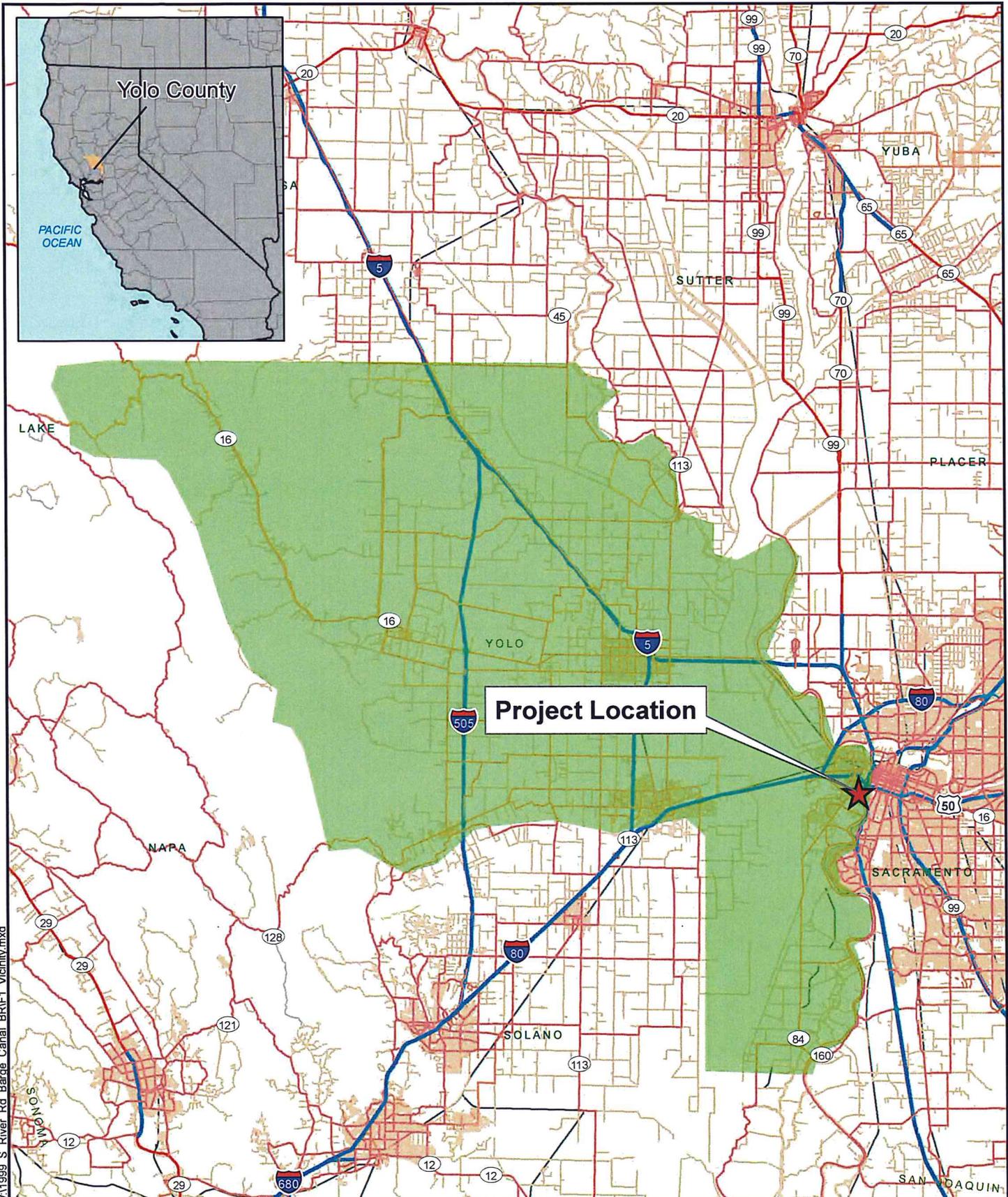
Attachments

- Resolution E-13-15
- Project Location

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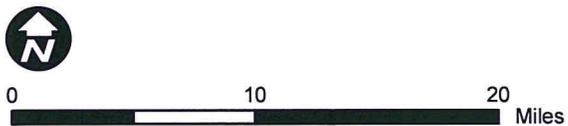
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- 1.1 **WHEREAS**, the City of West Sacramento (City) has completed a Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
 - Pioneer Bluff Bridge Project
- 1.2 **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 bridge connecting the existing two lane South River Road cul-de-sac on the north side of the Barge Canal with South River Road on the south side of the canal. The bridge will be approximately 615 feet long, 80 feet wide and will include one 12 foot lane in each direction, one future un-striped lane in each direction, a raised median, 4-6 foot shoulders, and two 6 foot walkways separated from traffic by a concrete barrier. The project will also construct roadway and drainage improvements on the South River Road approaches and install a signal at the 15th Street/South River Road intersection; and
- 1.4 **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a Responsible Agency, has considered the information contained in the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration; and
- 1.5 **WHEREAS**, the City found that the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment after mitigation; and
- 1.6 **WHEREAS**, the City approved the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration.
- 2.1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby accept the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration and approve the above referenced project to allow for future consideration of funding.



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Pioneer Bluff Bridge Project
City of West Sacramento, California