

Memorandum

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 PROPOSITION 1B
LOCAL BRIDGE SEISMIC RETROFIT ACCOUNT PROJECTS, PER LBSRA GUIDELINES
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RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the period contract award for the Proposition 1B Local Bridge Seismic Retrofit Account (LBSRA) projects on the attached document.

ISSUE:

The Department sub-allocated \$565,632 for the seismic retrofit of 18 locally administered Proposition 1B LBSRA projects which are identified on the attachment. The responsible agencies have been unable to award the contracts within six months of sub-allocation. The attachment describes the details of the projects and the explanations for the delays. The respective agencies are requesting extensions, and the planning agencies concur.

BACKGROUND:

In May 2008, the Commission adopted the LBSRA Guidelines (Resolution LBS1B-G-0708-001), which requires the implementing agency to request a time extension if the project will not be awarded within six months of the sub-allocation date. The LBSRA Guidelines stipulate that the Commission may approve a waiver to the timely use of funds deadline one-time only for up to 20 months.

Attachment

**Time Extension/Waiver – Project Contract Award Deadline
Local Bridge Seismic Retrofit Program**

Project #	Applicant County Project Description Reason for Project Delay	Extension Amount <i>Construction Only</i>	Sub-Allocation Date Federal ID Number Number of Months Requested Extended Deadline CT Recommendation
1	California Department of Water Resources Merced County Bridge Nos: 39C0250, 39C0252, 39C0314	\$64,393	08/15/2013 6248(032) 7 Months 09/30/2014 Support
<p>The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) is requesting a seven-month time extension to the period of contract award for three Merced County bridge projects. DWR has experienced delays in awarding the project due to the bat and swallow nesting season, which is from mid-February through September 1 according to the California Department of Fish and Game.</p> <p>DWR has revised the contract award schedule in order to avoid coinciding with the spring nesting season for bats and swallows. DWR anticipates advertising the project in May 2014. The bid opening and legal division review will be from June 2014 through August 2014. DWR expects to award the project by early September 2014. Therefore, DWR is requesting a seven-month extension to September 30, 2014.</p>			
2	California Department of Water Resources Various Counties in Central California Bridge Nos: 42C0140, 42C 0141, 42C0143, 42C0156, 42C0159, 42C0173, 42C0245, 42C0370, 42C0371, 42C0425, 45C0071, 45C0123, 42C0124, 42C0125, 50C0123	\$501,239	08/14/2013 6248(031) 7 months 09/30/2014 Support
<p>The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) is requesting a seven-month time extension to the period of contract award for 15 bridge projects. DWR has experienced delays in awarding the project due to the bat and swallow nesting season, which is from mid-February through September 1 according to the California Department of Fish and Game.</p> <p>DWR has revised the contract award schedule in order to avoid coinciding with the spring nesting season for bats and swallows. DWR anticipates advertising the project in May 2014. The bid opening and legal division review will be from June 2014 through August 2014. DWR expects to award the projects by early September 2014. Therefore, DWR is requesting a seven-month extension to September 30, 2014.</p>			