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Memorandum

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Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR A LOCALLY ADMINISTERED PROPOSITION 1B INTERCITY RAIL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PROJECT, PER STIP GUIDELINES**
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RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) extend the time extension for the period of ~~project allocation~~ contract Award for locally administered Proposition 1B Intercity Rail Improvement Program (IRI) Van Nuys North Platform (PPNO 2113) project, in Los Angeles County.

ISSUE:

At its January 2016 meeting, the Commission allocated $30,500,000 for the construction of the locally administered Proposition 1B IRI Van Nuys North Platform (PPNO 2113) project, in Los Angeles County. At the time of the original allocation, the responsible agency was the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro), however Metro is now requesting that the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) take over the responsibility for the project.

A current allocation amendment, under resolution ICR1B-AA-15-02, is on this month's Commission agenda to change the implementing agency from Metro to SCRRA.

Due to this, SCRRA, as the responsible agency, will not be able to award the project by the June 30, 2016 deadline and is requesting an extension, and the regional planning agency concurs. The attachment shows the details of the project and the explanations for the delays.

BACKGROUND:

Current STIP Guidelines stipulate that the agency implementing a project may request a time extension if the project will not be awarded within six months of the allocation. The Commission may approve a waiver to the timely use of funds deadline one-time only for up to 20 months in accordance with Government Code Section 14529.8.

Attachment

Time Extension/Waiver – Contract Award Deadline
Proposition 1B Intercity Rail Improvement Program

Project #	Applicant County PPNO Project Description Reason for Project Delay	Extension Amount ($ in thousands) PA&ED (Project Approval & Environment Document) PS&E (Plans, Specifications & Estimate) ROW (Right of Way) CON (Construction) TOTAL	Number of Months Requested Extended Deadline CT Recommendation
1	Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) Los Angeles County PPNO 75-2113 Van Nuys North Platform	$0 $0 $0 $30,500 **$30,500**	9 Months 04/30/2017 Support

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro), on behalf of the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA), is requesting a nine-month extension to the period of contract award for the construction phase of the Van Nuys North Platform project (Project). (A concurrent allocation amendment is on this month's Commission agenda to change the implementing agency for the project from Metro to SCRRA, as Metro is requesting that SCRRA take over the responsibility to construct the project.) This nine-month time extension request, by the local agencies, is to allow sufficient time for SCRRA to award the contract.

At its January 2016 meeting, Commission allocated $30.5 million in Proposition 1B Intercity Rail Improvement Program (IRI) funds to Metro for the Project. Recently, SCRRA approached Metro with a request to transfer and reallocate construction funds for the Project from Metro to SCRRA. This request is consistent with SCRRA's past role in building commuter rail projects in Los Angeles County for Metro, as owner of the facilities, and as a member agency of SCRRA.

SCRRA has completed their initial review of the Invitation for Bid package that Metro developed. Metro and SCRRA have developed a revised project schedule and SCRRA expects to have their revised Invitation for Bid package ready in August 2016 and out to bid in September 2016; the process to award the contract is expected to take approximately three months to December 2016. In addition, the bid package will require SCRRA Board approval, given the timing of submittal, the next available meeting to come forward with the bid package for Board approval would be January 2017. To allow for any unforeseen delays, Metro and SCRRA have requested three additional months.

Therefore, Metro and SCRRA request a 9-month time extension for ~~allocation~~ contract award of the CON phase to April 30, 2017.

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