

TCR Program – Application Approval Project #73(PPNO 9656) – September 2005

Orange Alameda Corridor East; (Orangethorpe Corridor) build grade separations on Burlington Northern-Santa Fe line, Los Angeles County line through Santa Ana Canyon in Orange County.

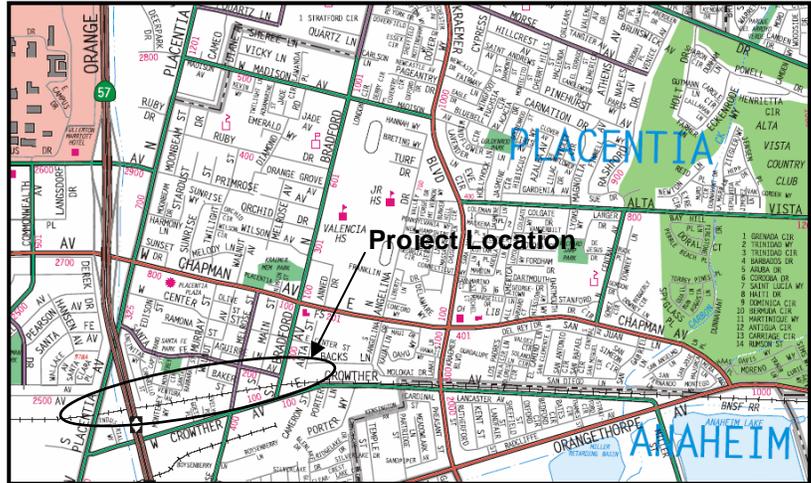
(\$ X 1,000)

<i>Estimated Project Cost:</i>	\$58,653	<i>TCRP Funds Approved to Date:</i>	\$28,000
<i>Total TCRP Funds Available:</i>	\$28,000	<i>Phase(s) Approved:</i>	All
<i>Lead Agency:</i>	Orange County Transportation Authority	<i>Implementing Agency:</i>	City of Placentia

<i>TCRP Allocations to Date:</i>	\$28,000	<i>for Phase(s):</i>	3,4
<i>Advance approved:</i>	\$5,200	<i>for Phase(s):</i>	3
<i>LONP Approved to Date:</i>	\$0	<i>for Phase(s):</i>	N/A

Project Summary: The overall project will resolve conflicts between growing global Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) rail trade movements from Hobart Yard and the Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles through the cities of Fullerton, Placentia, Anaheim and Yorba Linda by means of grade separations with local streets, including lowering the railroad for approximately five miles through the cities of Placentia and Anaheim.

The project is located on the BNSF San Bernardino subdivision double track main line within the City of Placentia.



This application covers the construction of three distinct projects that are currently under development through the auspices of the City of Placentia and the Orange North-American Trade Rail Access Corridor Authority (OnTrac). The three projects are:

- (1) Melrose Street railroad undercrossing,
- (2) Bradford Avenue closure/pedestrian overcrossing; and
- (3) Placentia Avenue Railroad undercrossing.

Additional work currently under development by the City of Placentia and OnTrac, but not part of this application, are future grade separations from Kraemer Boulevard to Kellogg Drive (8 streets).

The overall project has been segmented and, therefore, phases may overlap.

Cost and Schedule (\$ x 1,000)

Phase	Scope	Start	End	Cost
1	Environmental Clearance	6/00	1/01	\$322
2	Preliminary Design and Final Plans, Specifications, & Estimates	1/01	9/05	\$2,689
3	Right of Way Acquisition	10/01	12/07	\$19,299
4	Construction	10/02	12/10	\$36,343
Total:				\$58,653

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Funding Plan (\$ x 1,000)

Source	Type		Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4	Total
TCRP	State	Committed			\$15,186	\$12,814	\$28,000
		Proposed					
City of Placentia	Local	Committed	\$322	\$2,689	\$13	\$5,070	\$8,094
		Proposed					
STIP-RIP	State	Committed			\$1,100		\$1,100
		Proposed					
STIP-IIP	State	Committed				\$2,200	\$2,200
		Proposed					
RSTP	Federal	Committed				\$1,082	\$1,082
		Proposed					
TBD	Other	Committed					
		Proposed			\$3,000	\$15,177	\$18,177
	Totals:	Committed	\$322	\$2,689	\$16,299	\$21,166	\$40,476
		Proposed			\$3,000	\$15,177	\$18,177
		Totals:	\$322	\$2,689	\$19,299	\$36,343	\$58,653

Prior TCRP Action:

- Original application was approved on June 6, 2001 (TA-01-10) for \$28,000,000 for Phases 3 and 4. A delegated allocation of \$8,900,000 was made to Phase 3.
- The funding plan was updated on April 4, 2002 based on the 2002 STIP Adoption (G-02-04).
- A delegated allocation of \$7,300,000 was made to Phase 4 on May 17, 2002.
- Minor amendment was approved July 3, 2002 based on the April 2002 Progress Report.
- An amendment was approved May 26, 2005 (TAA-05-04) to update the overall project schedule and funding plan.
- An allocation of \$11,800,000 was made to Phases 3 and 4 (TFP-05-12) on September 29, 2005. The funding plan was update based on STIP Amendment 04S-079.

Status of Conditions: The following condition was set forth in Resolution TA-01-10 and remains in effect:

- At the time of allocation for Phase 4 – Construction, the City of Placentia shall identify all sources of funds committed for that phase, including any funds made available from the resale of right of way purchased with funds authorized under the approved application for TCRP #73. At the time of the allocation of \$7,300,000 for the construction of Melrose Street grade separation, no proceeds from the resale of right of way were available within the required timeframe for construction of the project.

The following condition was set forth in Resolution TAA-05-04 and remains in effect:

- Allocation of funds for right of way or construction is contingent upon receipt of a plan identifying fully funding useable segments.

Discussion/Issues: Due to the increase in project cost, the project is no longer fully funded. The City of Placentia and OnTrac Authority are actively working within the region, state, and federal levels to close the funding gap. Funding in the amount of \$18,177,000 remains to be identified. Potential funding sources include, but are not limited to, federal transportation authorization funds and developer fees.

The project funding strategy includes resale of remnant right of way parcels acquired using TCRP funds. The sale of remnant parcels has not occurred, but the City will attempt to sell these parcels to aid in closing the funding gap.

The early project segments approved under this application are Statutorily Exempt under CEQA.