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To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action

From: WILL KEMPTON
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Subject: **TRADE CORRIDORS IMPROVEMENT FUND (TCIF) PROGRAM AMENDMENT
RESOLUTION TCIF-P-1516-05**

ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) amend the TCIF Program to add the *Avenue 66/Union Pacific Grade Separation Bypass Project* in Riverside County, *San Elijo Lagoon Double Track Project* in San Diego County and *Navy Drive Widening Project* in San Joaquin County as TCIF Projects 117, 118 and 119, at a cost of \$5.709 million, \$4.343 million and \$2 million respectively in TCIF funds?

RECOMMENDATION:

Commission staff recommends the Commission approve the proposed TCIF Program Amendment to add into the TCIF Program projects 117, 118 and 119: the *Avenue 66/Union Pacific Grade Separation Bypass Project*, the *San Elijo Lagoon Double Track Project* and the *Navy Drive Widening Project*.

BACKGROUND:**Project 117**

The Southern California Consensus Group, the Riverside County Transportation Commission and the County of Riverside propose to amend the TCIF Program by including the *Avenue 66/Union Pacific Grade Separation Bypass Project* as Project 117 in the Los Angeles/Inland Empire Corridor element of the TCIF Program and program \$5.709 million of TCIF funds to the project.

The proposed project will construct a two-lane bypass that will connect Avenue 66 west of Lincoln Street to Avenue 66 at Home Avenue and an elevated structure over the Union Pacific Railroad line, Hammond Road and State Route (SR) 111. The proposed project will allow for a more efficient and reliable movement of goods through Riverside County by minimizing conflicts between the railroad tracks and the vehicular traffic. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$39.08 million. Construction is expected to begin in December 2016.

Project 118

The San Diego Association of Governments proposes to amend the TCIF program by including the *San Elijo Lagoon Double Track Project* as Project 118 in the San Diego Border Region of the TCIF Program and program \$4.343 million of TCIF funds to the project.

The proposed project will add a second 1.5 mile segment of main track between Control Point (CP) Cardiff and CP Craven, a new bridge across the San Elijo Lagoon, grade crossing modification at Chesterfield Drive, and construction of associated site improvements such as drainage culverts, embankments and signal modifications. The proposed project will eliminate the existing single track bottleneck and link two double track segments together to create a continuous 4.2 mile long segment of double track from CP Swami to CP Valley and increase rail capacity and reliability while maintaining safety and providing for future corridor service demands. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$73.9 million. Construction is expected to begin in September 2016.

Project 119

The Northern California Trade Corridor Coalition and the Port of Stockton (Port) propose to amend the TCIF program by including the *Navy Drive Widening Project* as Project 119 in the Northern California Corridor element of the TCIF Program and program \$2 million of TCIF funds to the project.

The proposed project will widen the existing two lane Navy Drive to four lanes with a center divider from the SR 4 Western Extension connection to just west of Washington Street. The proposed project will also reconfigure and signalize the Navy Drive/Washington Street intersection to make Navy Drive the primary route to the Port. This project is a link between the Port's West Complex and the existing TCIF funded SR 4 Crosstown Freeway Extension Project, which is currently under construction. Additionally, the proposed project would extend the benefits of the existing Highway Railroad Crossing Safety Account funded Navy Drive Grade Separation Project under the Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$6.813 million. Construction is expected to begin in June 2016.

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Be it Resolved, that the California Transportation Commission does hereby amend the TCIF program by adding the *Avenue 66/Union Pacific Grade Separation Bypass Project*, *San Elijo Lagoon Double Track Project* and *Navy Drive Widening Project* as TCIF Project 117, TCIF Project 118, and TCIF Project 119.

Attachments

- Letters of Support