

## Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS  
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Action Item

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Subject: **STIP AMENDMENT 14S-34**

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

The California Department of Transportation (Department) requests that the California Transportation Commission approve the program amendment 14S-34. This item was noticed at the Commission's March 2016 meeting.

### **ISSUE:**

The City of Calexico proposes to program \$4,500,000 of Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU)-Border Infrastructure Program (BIP) funds for construction on the Cesar Chavez Boulevard Widening and Improvement – 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to Route 98 project (PPNO 0606) in Imperial County. The Imperial County Transportation Commission concurs with this proposal.

SAFETEA-LU, enacted in August 2005, authorizes funding through the BIP to improve transportation at international borders and ports of entry, and within trade corridors. Since the enactment of SAFETEA-LU, California has received a total apportionment of \$188 million in BIP funding. To date, approximately \$181.9 million has been committed to eligible border region projects, leaving a balance of approximately \$6.1 million for future obligation.

These BIP funds are eligible in a border region, defined as any portion of a border state within 100 miles of an international land border with Canada or Mexico, for the following types of improvements to facilitate/expedite cross-border motor vehicle and cargo movements:

- Improvements to existing transportation and supporting infrastructure,
- Construction of highways and related safety and safety enforcement facilities related to international trade,
- Operational improvements, including those related to electronic data interchange and use of telecommunications,
- Modifications to regulatory procedures,
- International coordination of transportation planning, programming, and border operations with Canada and Mexico.

**BACKGROUND:**

The City of Calexico is proposing to program \$4,500,000 in BIP funding for the Cesar Chavez Boulevard widening project. The project will also provide pedestrian access improvements to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Cesar Chavez Boulevard will serve as the primary access to the Calexico West International Land Port of Entry (POE) to Mexicali, Mexico, which is expected to be open to traffic in late 2017 or early 2018.

The proposed funding plan for the widening project is as follows:

**ADD Cesar Chavez Boulevard Widening and Improvement – 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to Route 98 project (PPNO 0606):**

| <b>Implementing Agency: (by component)</b>                   |              | <b>PA&amp;ED</b>   | City of Calexico |       |              |       |       | <b>PS&amp;E</b>             | City of Calexico |            |      |          |          |
|--|--------------|--|------------------|-------|--------------|-------|-------|-----------------------------|------------------|------------|------|----------|----------|
|  |              | <b>R/W</b>   | City of Calexico |       |              |       |       | <b>CON</b>                  | City of Calexico |            |      |          |          |
| <b>RTPA/CTC:</b>   |              | Imperial County Transportation Commission                                      |                  |       |              |       |       |                             |                  |            |      |          |          |
| <b>Project Title:</b>  |              | Cesar Chavez Boulevard Widening and Improvement – 2nd Street to State Route 98 |                  |       |              |       |       |                             |                  |            |      |          |          |
| <b>Location</b>  |              | On Cesar Chavez Boulevard - 2nd Street to State Route 98.                      |                  |       |              |       |       |                             |                  |            |      |          |          |
| <b>Description:</b>  |              | Widening and Pedestrian Improvements   |                  |       |              |       |       |                             |                  |            |      |          |          |
| <b>(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)</b>                                |              |  |                  |       |              |       |       |                             |                  |            |      |          |          |
| FUND   | TOTAL        | Project Totals by Fiscal Year  |                  |       |              |       |       | Project Totals by Component |                  |            |      |          |          |
|  |              | Prior  | 14/15            | 15/16 | 16/17        | 17/18 | 18/19 | R/W                         | CON              | PA&ED      | PS&E | R/W Supp | CON Supp |
| <b>Local Funds</b>   |              |  |                  |       |              |       |       |                             |                  |            |      |          |          |
| Existing   | 0            | 0  | 0                |       | 0            |       |       | 0                           | 0                | 0          |      |          |          |
| Change   | 1,926        | 191  | 350              |       | 1,385        |       |       | 350                         | 1,385            | 191        |      |          |          |
| Proposed   | <b>1,926</b> | <b>191</b>   | <b>350</b>       |       | <b>1,385</b> |       |       | <b>350</b>                  | <b>1,385</b>     | <b>191</b> |      |          |          |
| <b>Federal Discretionary (Border Infrastructure Program)</b> |              |  |                  |       |              |       |       |                             |                  |            |      |          |          |
| Existing   | 0            |  |                  |       | 0            |       |       |                             | 0                |            |      |          |          |
| Change   | 4,500        |  |                  |       | 4,500        |       |       |                             | 4,500            |            |      |          |          |
| Proposed   | <b>4,500</b> |  |                  |       | <b>4,500</b> |       |       |                             | <b>4,500</b>     |            |      |          |          |
| <b>FFY 2009 Omnibus Approp.</b>                              |              |  |                  |       |              |       |       |                             |                  |            |      |          |          |
| Existing   | 0            | 0  | 0                |       | 0            |       |       | 0                           | 0                | 0          |      |          |          |
| Change   | 2,850        | 150  | 1,700            |       | 1,000        |       |       | 1,700                       | 1,000            | 150        |      |          |          |
| Proposed   | <b>2,850</b> | <b>150</b>   | <b>1,700</b>     |       | <b>1,000</b> |       |       | <b>1,700</b>                | <b>1,000</b>     | <b>150</b> |      |          |          |
| <b>Total</b>   |              |  |                  |       |              |       |       |                             |                  |            |      |          |          |
| Existing   | 0            | 0  | 0                |       | 0            |       |       | 0                           | 0                | 0          |      |          |          |
| Change   | 9,276        | 341  | 2,050            |       | 6,885        |       |       | 2,050                       | 6,885            | 341        |      |          |          |
| Proposed   | <b>9,276</b> | <b>341</b>   | <b>2,050</b>     |       | <b>6,885</b> |       |       | <b>2,050</b>                | <b>6,885</b>     | <b>341</b> |      |          |          |

**RESOLUTION:**

Be it Resolved, that the California Transportation Commission does hereby program \$4,500,000 of Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU)-Border Infrastructure Program (BIP) funds for construction on the Cesar Chavez Boulevard Widening and Improvement – 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to Route 98 project (PPNO 0606) in Imperial County.