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Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
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Action Item

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Subject: TRADE CORRIDORS IMPROVEMENT FUND-PROJECT BASELINE AMENDMENT
RESOLUTION TCIF-P-1011-15

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) amend the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund (TCIF) Project Baseline Agreement for Project 59, Glen Helen Parkway Grade Separation Project (PPNO 1130) in San Bernardino County.

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ISSUE:

The San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) and the County of San Bernardino (County) propose to amend the TCIF Project Baseline Agreement for Project 59, Glen Helen Parkway Grade Separation project, to update the project cost, funding plan, and delivery schedule.

BACKGROUND:

The Glen Helen Parkway Grade Separation Project is programmed with \$7,172,000 of TCIF funds, under the TCIF Program of Projects, adopted by the Commission on April 10, 2008. A Project Baseline Agreement was executed between the County, SANBAG, the Department, and the Commission, and approved by the Commission on October 29, 2008, under Resolution TCIF-P-0809-04B.

The project's construction component has fallen behind the adopted schedule by approximately one year. The schedule change was due to delays in the environmental and right of way phases.

The original baseline agreement Project Approval and Environmental Document (Environmental) date was June 30, 2008. In March 2008, as part of the biological survey, a Kangaroo Rat habitat was discovered. Working with resource agencies, the Project Development Team decided the best approach was that of avoidance. Environmental regulations require avoidance of habitat where practical. As a result, the project footprint was changed in order to avoid impacting the habitat area.

The design team was focusing on the revised alignment within the vicinity of Glen Helen Parkway Grade Separation project, as an adjacent project, I-15/215 Devore Interchange Project, was being developed. Several public meetings were conducted for the I-15/I-215 Devore Interchange Project and yielded public comments resulting in various project design changes. The alignment of a street within the Glen Helen Grade Separation Project had to be revised and right of way requirements updated to accommodate the avoidance of the Kangaroo Rat habitat. Resolving these issues required intensive coordination with the resource agencies and the adjacent project's team. The environmental clearance, a Statutory Exemption, was signed in April 2010. The delays in the Environmental component had a negative impact on the remainder of the project schedule.

In addition to the environmental delays, the footprint and design change required the acquisition of 15 additional parcels. Completion of the right of way component has been revised from September 2009 to January 2012 and the start of construction has been postponed from November 2010 to April 2012. Although the construction start date suffered a 17-month delay in completion, staging of construction has been redesigned resulting in a delay of ten months. Following is a table listing project milestones with current approved and proposed delivery schedules:

| Project Milestone | Current Approved | Proposed | Change (years-months) |
|---------------------------|------------------|----------|---------------------------------------|
| Begin Environmental Phase | June 2006 | | no change |
| End Environmental Phase | June 2008 | Apr 2010 | 1 year, 10 months (Phase Complete) |
| Begin Design Phase | Aug 2008 | Apr 2009 | 8 months |
| End Design Phase | Sep 2010 | Jan 2012 | 1 year, 4 months |
| Begin Right of Way Phase | Nov 2008 | Apr 2010 | 1 year, 5 months |
| End Right of Way Phase | Sep 2009 | Jan 2012 | 2 years, 4 months |
| Begin Construction Phase | Nov 2010 | Apr 2012 | 1 year, 5 months |
| End Construction Phase | Nov 2012 | Sep 2013 | 10 months |

The County and SANBAG (project sponsors) also requested to update the project funding plan. The project sponsors are requesting that the Commission reprogram the total \$7,172,000 TCIF funds under Fiscal Year 2009-10 to meet the updated beginning of construction date, April 1, 2012. Additionally, the project sponsors will be reprogramming the project's federal and local match funds as shown in the following project funding plan, in order to meet the updated schedule:

REVISES:

| (DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS) | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|------------------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|
| FUND SOURCE | TOTAL | Totals by Fiscal Year | | | | | Totals by Project Phase | | | |
| | | Prior | 10/11 | 11/12 | 12/13 | 13/14 | PA&ED | PS&E | R/W | CONST |
| State Funds (TCIF) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Current Approved | 7,172 | 7,172 | | 0 | | | | | | 7,172 |
| Change | 0 | (7,172) | | 7,172 | | | | | | 0 |
| Proposed | 7,172 | 0 | | 7,172 | | | | | | 7,172 |
| Local Funds (SANBAG Measure I, Development Impact Fee) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Current Approved | 19,696 | 19,696 | 0 | 0 | | | | 2,650 | 3,000 | 14,046 |
| Change | 2,700 | (12,931) | 1,585 | 14,046 | | | | | 2,700 | 0 |
| Proposed | 22,396 | 6,765 | 1,585 | 14,046 | | | | 2,650 | 5,700 | 14,046 |
| TOTAL | | | | | | | | | | |
| Current Approved | | 26,868 | 0 | 0 | | | | | | |
| Change | | (20,103) | 1,585 | 21,218 | | | | | | |
| Proposed | 29,568 | 6,765 | 1,585 | 21,218 | | | | 2,650 | 5,700 | 21,218 |

RESOLUTION TCIF-P-1011-15

Be it Resolved, that the California Transportation Commission does hereby amend the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund baseline agreement for Project 59, Glen Helen Parkway Grade Separation Project (PPNO 1130), in accordance with the changes described and illustrated above.