



BCAG BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Item # Action

December 10, 2015

2016 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (RTIP) ADOPTION

PREPARED BY: Ivan Garcia, Programming Manager

ISSUE: BCAG is required to prepare a Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) by December 31, 2015 for the 2016 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

DISCUSSION: The purpose of the RTIP is to identify programming recommendations for the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The STIP is comprised of two components, the Regional Improvement Program (RIP) for projects nominated by regional agencies in California, such as BCAG and the Interregional Improvement Program (IIP) for projects nominated by Caltrans. The STIP is adopted by the California Transportation Commission.

The RTIP indicates the area's short-term plan for use of RIP and IIP dollars for transportation projects over the next five fiscal years beginning July 1, 2016. The Fund Estimate prepared by Caltrans and the California Transportation Commission identifies \$40 million for the entire California STIP. As such, the CTC has indicated essentially, no new projects will be considered unless a region intends to substitute a project.

BCAG's 2016 RTIP recommendations will be a continuation of existing projects only. The CTC has also requested that regions consider pushing out projects or delaying them as a result of insufficient cash flow for the STIP in the earlier years. A public notice was published in the local newspaper concerning the development of the RTIP document.

The following page summarizes the 2016 RTIP/STIP Recommendations for BCAG.

REQUESTED ACTION: Staff recommends the BCAG Board of Directors adopt the 2014 RTIP by Resolution #2015/16-04. This resolution also authorizes staff to make any necessary technical corrections and minor modifications to ensure timely state approval.

Key staff: Jon Clark, Executive Director
Andy Newsum, Deputy Director
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Butte County - 2016 RTIP Recommendations

| <u>Project</u> | <u>RIP Only</u> |
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| SR 70 Passing Lane Project (Segment 1) | \$13,100,000 PS&E, R/W, CON |
| SR 70 Passing Lane Project (Segment 2) | \$ 1,500,000 PS&E and R/W |
| Midway Bridges across Butte Creek | \$ 1,499,000 CON |
| Planning, Programming and Monitoring | \$ 202,000 CON |
| Total | \$16,301,000 |

State Route 70 (Segment 1) – From Palermo Road to Ophir Rd / Pacific Heights Intersection. The scope of the project is to widen from 2 lanes to 4 lanes. BCAG is currently using available old SR 70 federal demonstration dollars to completely fund the environmental component for \$1.5 million. The remaining components are recommended for programming for \$13.1 million in RIP and \$13.1 million in Caltrans' IIP funds for the Design (PS&E), Right of Way and Construction for a total remaining cost of \$26.2 million. Construction has been pushed out one fiscal year from 2017/18 to 2018/19.

State Route 70 (Segment 2) – From Cox Lane to just south of Palermo Rd. The scope of the project is to widen from 2 to 4 lanes. This project would close the gap between Segment 1 to the north and the recently completed passing lanes on SR 70 near E. Gridley Road to the south. For the 2014 RTIP, the CTC approved the programming of environmental, design and right of way. The construction component would be recommended as part of the 2018 STIP Cycle if funding permits. As such, the RTIP recommendation for this project is only for \$1.5 million in RIP funds and \$1.5 million in Caltrans' IIP funds for a total cost of \$3 million. Construction could be ready in the 2019/20 fiscal year for a total estimated cost of \$24.6 million.

Midway Bridges across Butte Creek Replacement - On Midway (old SR 99) approximately 0.2 miles south of White Ave to approximately 0.7 miles south of White Ave. spanning Butte Creek and Butte Creek Overflow. The purpose is to replace 2 bridge structures. This project leverages \$1,499,000 in STIP funds for \$13,991,000 in federal Highway Bridge Program (HBP) funds in the 2016/17 fiscal year.

Planning Programming and Monitoring (PPM) – BCAG staff is requesting \$202,000 which represents the allowable 5% of Regional Improvement Program funding for PPM activities. These funds support the staff time necessary for various STIP projects in BCAG's Overall Work Program and Budget. The funds requested cover the 5 year period of the STIP. This is a carryover from the 2014 STIP cycle with no new programming.

Unprogrammed RIP Balance. (SR 70 Passing Lane Project – Reserve) – BCAG staff is requesting that the remaining RIP fund balance of \$2,230,000 remain as an unprogrammed balance. BCAG intends to program the SR 70 Passing Lane Project (Segment 2) south of Oroville in the 2018 or 2020 STIP Cycle.

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**BUTTE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
RESOLUTION NO 2015/2016-04**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BUTTE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
APPROVING THE ADOPTION OF THE 2016 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (RTIP)**

WHEREAS, the Butte County Association of Governments is the designated Regional Transportation Planning Agency for Butte County in accordance with Government Code Section 29532; and

WHEREAS, the California Governments Code Section 65080 requires Butte County Association of Governments as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency to prepare, adopt and submit a Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) to the California Transportation Commission, pursuant to sections 65080.5; and

WHEREAS, the 2016 Regional Transportation Improvement Program for Butte County identifies project recommendations to be funded utilizing State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) funds or other state and federal funds; and

WHEREAS, the 2016 RTIP identifies projects which at the time of adoption may require modifications to the Project Programming Request funding sheets by BCAG staff prior to the adoption by the California Transportation Commission;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Butte County Association of Governments has prepared the 2016 Regional Transportation Improvement Program in accordance with California Government Code 65080 and Chapter 622 of the Statutes of 1997 (SB 45) and the adopted STIP Guidelines and authorizes its staff to make any necessary changes to the RTIP document including the Project Programming Request funding sheets to ensure its timely submittal and approval to Caltrans and or the California Transportation Commission for adoption into the STIP.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Butte County Association of Governments on the 10th day of December, 2015 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

APPROVED:

BILL CONNELLY, CHAIR
BUTTE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

ATTEST:

JON A. CLARK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
BUTTE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS