



BCAG BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Item #6 Consent

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APPROVAL OF 2016 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP)/SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES STRATEGY (SCS) AMENDMENT #04

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ISSUE: The 2016 RTP/SCS is required to be amended to ensure consistency with the short range 2017 Federal Transportation Improvement Programs (FTIP).

DISCUSSION: The purpose of this amendment is to ensure consistency between the long-range plan (RTP/SCS) with the short-range program (FTIP). This amendment includes changes into the RTP/SCS as approved for the 2017 FTIP Amendment #08 as described below:

SR 70 Segment 1 Project – Ophir Rd to Palermo Rd– The purpose of this amendment is to update the financial and schedule information for this project in the RTP/SCS. This project is included in the RTP/SCS. The scope of the project is to widen for a two-way left turn lane, standard shoulders, and provide a roadside clear recovery zone. This amendment updates the programming of \$32,720,000 in SHOPP funds in the 2019/2020 fiscal year. The project is exempt from regional air quality conformity per the Environmental Protection Agency’s Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Table 2, “Exempt Projects – Safety” indicating that projects that add a median are exempt.

SR 70 Segment 2 Project – Palermo Rd to Cox Lane– The purpose of this amendment is to update the financial and schedule information for this project in the RTP/SCS. This project is located near Oroville from 0.1 mile south of Palermo Rd to Cox Lane on State Route 70. The scope of the project is to widen for a two-way left turn lane, standard shoulders, and provide a roadside clear recovery zone. This amendment updates the programming of \$36,860,000 in SHOPP funds in the 2019/2020 fiscal year. This project is included in the current 2016 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS). The project is exempt from regional air quality conformity per the Environmental Protection Agency’s Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Table 2, “Exempt Projects – Safety” indicating that projects that add a median are exempt.

SR 70 Segment 3 Project – East Gridley Rd to Butte/Yuba County Line– The purpose of this amendment is to update the financial and schedule information for this project in the RTP/SCS. This project is located near Oroville from the Yuba County Line to south of East Gridley Road/Stimpson Rd; also in Yuba County on SR 70 from post mile 25.7 to post mile 25.8. The scope of the project is to widen for a two-way left turn lane and standard shoulders. This amendment updates the programming of \$3,400,000 in SHOPP funds in the 2017/18 fiscal year for preliminary engineering (Environmental component) and \$32,528,000 in FY 2020/21 for preliminary engineering (design), right of way and construction components. The project is exempt from regional air quality conformity per the Environmental Protection Agency’s Transportation Conformity Rule Section 93.126 Table 2, “Exempt Projects – Safety” indicating that projects that add a median are exempt.

ATP Gap Closure Project–This amendment adds \$450,000 in CMAQ funds for a revised CMAQ contribution of \$719,000 in the 2017/18 fiscal year. Existing CMAQ funds (\$269,000) in FY 19/20 were moved to FY 17/18. The total cost for this project has changed from \$4,995,000 to \$5,401,000. This project is also funded with Active Transportation Program and SB1 funds. No other changes were made. While this project is included in the RTP, the financial information will be updated.

SR 99 Corridor Bikeway Phase 5 Project– The purpose of this amendment to this existing Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program (CMAQ) funded project is to supplement CMAQ funds for the Preliminary Engineering (PE) component. This amendment adds \$1,436,000 in CMAQ funds in the 2018/19 fiscal year. Local funding contributions and commitments have also been updated for the 2016/17 and 2017/18 fiscal years. The total cost for this project has changed from \$500,000 to \$2,750,000. No other changes were made. While this project is included in the RTP, the financial information will be updated.

SR 99 Corridor Bikeway Phase 4 Project– The purpose of this amendment to this existing Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program (CMAQ) funded project is to supplement CMAQ funds for the Construction component. This amendment adds \$300,000 in CMAQ funds in the 2017/18 fiscal year. The total cost for this project has changed from \$1,786,000 to \$2,086,000. No other changes were made. While this project is included in the RTP, the financial information will be updated.

SR 99 Cohasset Interchange Project– The purpose of this amendment to delete this Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program (CMAQ) funded project from the FTIP and to update the information in the RTP as a planned improvement. However, the project does not currently have a financial plan to be completed.

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Butte County East Gridley Rd/Larkin Signalization Project– The purpose of this amendment is to add \$500,000 in Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program (CMAQ) funds and \$500,000 in local county SB 1 funds to the construction component for this safety project in the current 2017/18 fiscal year. This project is currently programmed in the current FTIP and is partially funded with \$1.2 million in federal Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds thru Caltrans. While this project is included in the RTP, the financial information will be updated.

Details of this amendment are posted online at BCAG's website at:
<http://www.bcag.org/Planning/RTP--SCS/index.html>.

This amendment does not reflect a change in the design concept and scope of the project or the conformity analysis years as assumed for the regional emissions analysis of the currently conforming RTP and TIP. This amendment, meets all applicable transportation planning requirements per 23 CFR Part 450 (financial constraint, public involvement and consistency with the RTP). BCAG does not have any Transportation Control Measures in the State Implementation Plan (SIP) and therefore the project does not interfere with any TCMs.

This amendment is consistent with the public participation plan adopted by BCAG. Draft amendment #08 has been distributed to the Interagency Consultation Review (ICR) for the opportunity for review and comment as well as the BCAG Transportation Advisory Committee.

All RTP/SCS amendment material is available on BCAG's website at:
<http://www.bcag.org/Planning/RTP--SCS/index.html>

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: If no significant comments are received, staff is recommending the Board of Directors approve by vote Amendment #04 to the 2016 RTP/SCS for Butte County.

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