BCAG BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Item #5
Consent

April 26, 2018

APPROVAL OF 2016 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP) & SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES STRATEGY (SCS) AMENDMENT #05

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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 #09 as described below:

(EXISTING FTIP PROJECT) SR 70 Segment 1 Project – Ophir Rd to Palermo Rd—
The purpose of this amendment is to amend the programming funding for the project as approved by the California Transportation Commission. This amendment adds State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) funds with State Highway Operations and Protection Program (SHOPP) funds. This project is located near Oroville from 0.1 mile south of Palermo Rd to just north of Ophir Rd/Pacific Heights intersection. The scope of the project is to widen for a 4-lane highway with a two-way left turn lane, standard shoulders, and provide a roadside clear recovery zone. This amendment augments the $32,720,000 in SHOPP funds with a revised total project cost to $48,620,000 with construction programmed in the 2019/2020 fiscal year.

(EXISTING FTIP PROJECT) SR 70 Segment 2 Project – Palermo Rd to Cox Lane—
The purpose of this amendment is to amend the programming funding for the project as approved by the California Transportation Commission. This amendment adds State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) funds with State Highway Operations and Protection Program (SHOPP) funds. 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 4-lane highway with a two-way left turn lane, standard shoulders, and provide a roadside clear recovery zone. This amendment augments the $36,860,000 in SHOPP funds with a revised total project cost to $50,885,000 with construction programmed in the 2020/2021 fiscal year.
(EXISTING FTIP PROJECT) SR 70 Segment 3 Project – East Gridley Rd to Butte/Yuba County Line – The purpose of this amendment is to amend the programming funding for the project as approved by the California Transportation Commission. This amendment adds State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) funds with State Highway Operations and Protection Program (SHOPP) funds. 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 4-lane highway with a two-way left turn lane and standard shoulders. This amendment augments the $44,068,000 in SHOPP funds with a revised total project cost to $65,868,000 with construction programmed in the 2021/2022 fiscal year.

Details of this amendment has been attached to this memo and are posted online at BCAG’s website at: http://www.bcag.org/Planning/FTIP/index.html for the FTIP and at: http://www.bcag.org/Planning/RTP--SCS/index.html for the RTP/SCS. The RTP/SCS will be amended to reflect updated project costs.

The amended projects, as listed above, exist in the current 2016 Regional Transportation Plan / Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) and are non-exempt from regional emissions analysis. The amendment for each project 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 FTIP. The previous emissions analysis is consistent with the requirements of 40 CFR 93.118 and 93.119, as applicable. This amendment, meets all applicable transportation planning requirements per 23 CFR Part 450 (financial constraint, public involvement and consistency with the RTP). Allocating funds to these projects will not delay the implementation of projects in the 2016 RTP/SCS which are necessary to achieve the highway and transportation system envisioned by the plan. BCAG does not have any Transportation Control Measures in the State Implementation Plan (SIP) and therefore the project does not interfere with any TCMs. 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 #05 to the 2016 RTP/SCS for Butte County.

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