

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: July 8-9, 2009

Reference No.: 2.2c.(1)
Action Item

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Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING
05-SCR-1, PM 15.3/17.6
RESOLUTION E-09-52**

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolution E-09-52.

ISSUE:

The attached resolution proposes to approve for future consideration of funding the following project for which a Negative Declaration (ND) has been completed:

- Route 1 in Santa Cruz County. Provide landscaping along Route 1 between LaFonda Avenue Overcrossing and Emline Street, and on Route 17 between Route 1/17 Interchange and Pasatiempo Overcrossing in the city of Santa Cruz. (PPNO 0542H)

This project will provide landscaping along Route 1 between LaFonda Avenue Overcrossing and Emline Street, and on Route 17 between Route 1/17 Interchange and Pasatiempo Overcrossing in the city of Santa Cruz. The project environmental assessment is included in the environmental document for the parent project, Route 1/17 Widening (PPNO 0546D). The landscape project is fully funded in the 2008 State Transportation Improvement Program. Total estimated project cost is \$1,777,000 for capital and support. Construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2009-10.

A copy of the ND has been provided to Commission staff. The project will involve construction activities resulting in biological, noise and air quality effects that will be addressed by minimizing the project footprint, conducting pre-construction surveys, revegetating areas, constructing soundwalls, and implementing fugitive dust-control measures. As a result, an ND was completed for this project.

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The Department has approved this project for construction. This approval and the filing of the Notice of Determination with the Office of Planning and Research will satisfy the environmental requirements for this stage of the project planning process.

Attachments

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Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding

05-SCr-1, PM 15.3/17.6

Resolution E-09-52

- 1.1** **WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed a Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
- Route 1 in Santa Cruz County. Provide landscaping along Route 1 in Santa Cruz between LaFonda Avenue Overcrossing and Emline Street and on Route 17 between Route 1/17 Interchange and Pasatiempo Overcrossing. (PPNO 0542H)
- 1.2** **WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that the Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3** **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Negative Declaration; and
- 1.4** **WHEREAS**, the project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- 2.1** **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby approve the above referenced project to allow for future consideration of funding.

Project Vicinity Map

Route 1/17 Widening for Merge Lanes

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PM 15.3/17.6, 0.0/0.8

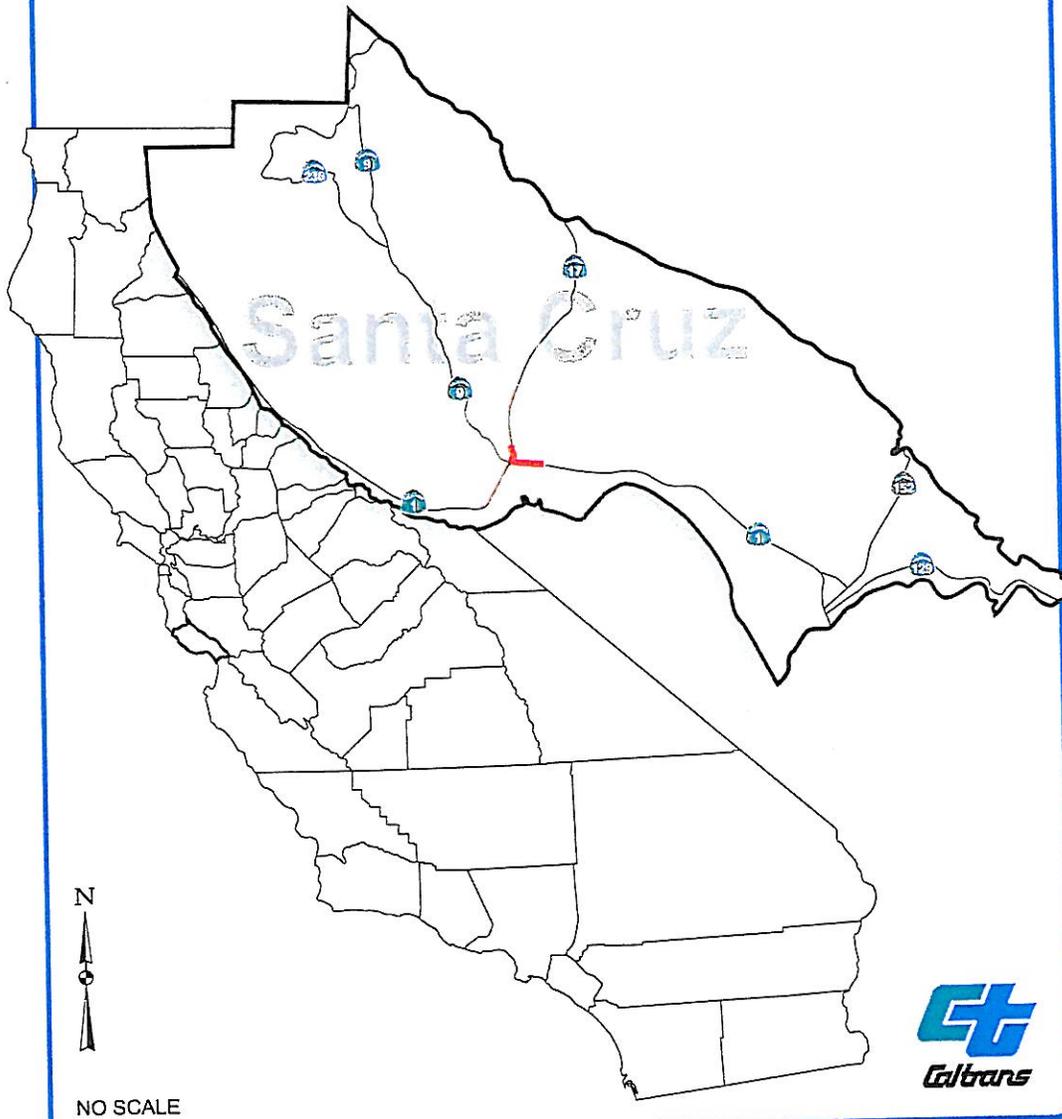


Figure 1-1 Project Vicinity Map