

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Subject: **STIP AMENDMENT 12S-050**

SUMMARY:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) will request that the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve the requested program amendment at the next scheduled Commission meeting following the notice period.

ISSUE:

The Department proposes to program \$800,000 of Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) Border Infrastructure Program (BIP) funds for the Route 905/125 Northbound Connectors project (PPNO 1101) in San Diego County.

SAFETEA-LU, enacted in August 2005, authorizes funding through the BIP program to improve transportation at international Borders, ports of entry, and in trade corridors. This program replaced the TEA-21 Coordinated Border Infrastructure discretionary program which ended after 2005. The BIP provides California a total apportionment of \$187,770,024 with an obligation limitation of approximately \$170,689,251.

These BIP funds are eligible in a border region, defined as any portion of border State within 100 miles of an international land border with Canada or Mexico, for the following types of improvements to facilitate/expedite cross border motor vehicle and cargo movements:

- Improvements to existing transportation and supporting infrastructure.
- Construction of highways and related safety and safety enforcement facilities related to international trade.
- Operational improvements, including those related to electronic data interchange and use of telecommunications.
- Modifications to regulatory procedures.
- International coordination of transportation planning, programming, and border operations with Canada and Mexico.

BACKGROUND:

Phase 1 of State Route (SR) 905 opened to traffic in July 2012 and has improved safe movement of motor vehicles at and across the border between California and Mexico. This project will construct the northbound connectors from SR 905 and future SR 11 to SR 125 near the Otay Mesa Port of Entry. This project is a portion of Phase 3 of SR 905 that will continue to improve the efficient transportation of goods and services in the Otay Mesa border region. It will also provide an essential connection between the Otay Mesa region and the regional freeway system. Completion of this project will improve the current conditions that impede the flow of cross-border commerce and hamper job creation.

The entire SR 905 corridor including Phase 3 was environmentally cleared in July 2004. A re-validation was completed in October 2013.

The proposed project is currently in the design phase using Local Transnet funds (\$2 million) provided by San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG). The BIP funds will fully fund the right of way phase.

The Department is currently coordinating with SANDAG to develop a plan to finance the construction phase. The total estimated cost for construction is \$19.8 million, \$16.5 million for capital and \$3.3 million for construction support. Potential funding sources include savings from multiple on-going existing programs such as remaining Proposition 1B Bond - TCIF funds as well as local funding from the SR 125 toll road and additional Transnet funds.

ADD: Route 905/125 Northbound Connectors project (PPNO 1101)

County	District	PPNO	EA	Element	Const. Year	PM Back	PM Ahead	Route/Corridor					
San Diego	11	1101	28881	CO		9.6	11.4	905					
Implementing Agency: (by component)		PA&ED	Caltrans			PS&E	Caltrans						
		R/W	Caltrans			CON	Caltrans						
RTPA/CTC:		San Diego Association of Governments											
Project Title:		SR 905/SR 125 Northbound Connectors											
Location		In San Diego County and near San Diego at Route 11/125/905 separation.											
Description:		Construct SR 905/SR 125 Northbound Connectors											
(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
Federal Disc.													
Existing	0			0			0					0	
Change	800			800			700					100	
Proposed	800			800			700					100	
Local Funds													
Existing	0			0							0		
Change	2,000			2,000							2,000		
Proposed	2,000			2,000							2,000		
Total													
Existing	0			0			0				0	0	
Change	2,800			2,800			700				2,000	100	