

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Subject: **REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF CONTRACT AWARD FOR ONE JOINTLY FUNDED TRAFFIC CONGESTION RELIEF PROGRAM / STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PROJECT PER RESOLUTION G-06-08 WAIVER-07-10**

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve Waiver-07-10, extending the period of contract award for six months for the Union City Intermodal Station project funded from the Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP) (Project #141) and the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) (PPNO 2110).

ISSUE:

The City of Union City may not be able to award a construction contract by the six-month deadline of May 31, 2007, and is requesting an extension to November 30, 2007.

BACKGROUND:

On November 9, 2006, the Commission allocated \$12,387,000 (\$10,507,000 STIP and \$1,880,000 TCRP) for construction of the Union City Intermodal Station. In accordance with Resolution G-06-08, allocations are to be limited to projects that are ready to award a construction contract within six months of allocation. The deadline to award a construction contract for the Union City project is May 31, 2007.

Union City is requesting a six-month extension of the contract award deadline. This request is provisional in that the current schedule (bid opening on April 10, 2007) indicates that the deadline to award will be met. However, the schedule does not provide any time for possible bid opening delays such as bid protests or non-responsive bids. Such delays have become increasingly common, especially for large projects such as this one. In order to ensure that the project continues to advance with the fewest possible delays, the city is requesting the six-month extension of the deadline now to avoid a post-fact request in June 2007.