

## Memorandum

**To:** CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS  
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

**Date:** February 22-23, 2012

**Reference No.:** 2.5g.(9b)  
Action Item

**From:** NORMA ORTEGA  
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**Subject:** **FINANCIAL ALLOCATION AMENDMENT FOR PROPOSITION 1B HIGHWAY-RAILROAD CROSSING SAFETY ACCOUNT RESOLUTION GS1B-AA-1112-002, AMENDING RESOLUTION GS1B-A-0910-006**

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

The California Department of Transportation recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission) amend Resolution GS1B-A-0910-006 to de-allocate \$6,593,000, reducing the original allocation of \$12,175,000 to \$5,582,000, in Proposition 1B Highway-Railroad Crossing Safety Account (HRCSA) funds from the Betty Drive Grade Separation project in Tulare County.

### **ISSUE:**

The Tulare County Redevelopment Agency (Agency) was initially awarded \$12,175,000 in HRCSA funds by the Commission in August 2008. As a result of project scope revisions, in February 2011, the Agency requested and the Commission approved a reduction in project cost to \$5,582,000. In December 2010, the Agency awarded the construction contract to the lowest bidder, whose bid was approximately 31 percent below the Engineer's Estimate. The Agency requests that the Commission reduce the originally allocated HRCSA funds for the project from \$12,175,000 to \$5,582,000.

The proposed changes are reflected in strikethrough and bold on the attached revised vote list.

### **RESOLUTION GS1B-AA-1112-002**

Be it Resolved, that the \$12,175,000 in Proposition 1B Highway-Railroad Crossing Safety Account (HRCSA) funds originally allocated under GS1B-A-0910-006 for the Betty Drive Grade Separation project, is hereby amended by \$6,593,000, reducing the overall HRCSA amount allocated for the project to \$5,582,000 in accordance with the attached revised vote box.

Attachment

2.5 Highway Financial Matters

Project # Allocation Amount Recipient RTPA/CTC District-County	Project Title Location Project Description	EA Program/Year Phase Prgm'd Amount	Budget Year Item # Fund Type Program Code	Amount by Fund Type
<b>2.5g.(9b) Proposition 1B Allocation Amendment – Locally Administered HRCSA Projects</b>			<b>Resolution GS1B-AA-1112-002, Amending Resolution GS1B-A-0910-006</b>	
1 \$12,175,000 <b>\$5,582,000</b>  Tulare County Redevelopment Agency TCAG 06-Tulare	<b>Betty Drive Grade Separation.</b> In Goshen and the city of Visalia, on Betty Drive construct a new grade separation overpass to replace the existing Elder Avenue at grade separation of the Union Pacific Railroad.  (CEQA-SE, February 2010)  <u>Outcome/Output:</u> Provide a major four lane access link between State Route 99 and the Visalia industrial Park. The project will alleviate traffic congestion and provide quantifiable reduction in emissions..  <b><u>Amend Resolution GS1B-A-0910-006 to de-allocate \$6,593,000 in HRCSA funds to reflect contract award savings.</u></b>	H016BA HRCSA/09-10  CONST <del>\$12,175,000</del> <b>\$5,582,000</b>	2007-08 104-6063 HRCSA 20.30.010.400	\$12,175,000 <b>\$5,582,000</b>