

Metropolitan Transportation Commission Programming and Allocations Committee

January 13, 2021

Agenda Item 2g - 21-0033

Concurrence Request for STIP Amendment

Subject: State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Amendment Request for the I-80 San Pablo Dam Road Interchange and the Iron Horse Trail (IHT) Pedestrian and Bicycle Overcrossing projects in Contra Costa County

Background: The Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA) requests MTC's concurrence for a STIP amendment for two Contra Costa projects: the I-80 San Pablo Dam Road Interchange Phase 2 project and the Bollinger Canyon Road - Iron Horse Trail (IHT) Pedestrian and Bicycle Overcrossing project. MTC's 2020 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP), approved in December 2019, programmed \$9.2 million for the right-of-way phase of the I-80 San Pablo Dam Road Interchange Phase 2 project in FY 2021-22. The California Transportation Commission (CTC) approved this project in the 2020 STIP at its March 2020 meeting.

In the 2020 STIP, CCTA identified approximately \$70 million in future construction funding needed for phase 2 of the I-80 San Pablo Dam Road Interchange project. CCTA has not been able to secure the remaining funding for the construction phase of the project. Without identified funding for the remaining work, CCTA cannot complete the right-of-way phase in FY 2021-22. Therefore, to best utilize available funding, CCTA requests MTC concur with the reprogramming of \$9.2 million in STIP funds to the IHT project for construction in FY 2021-22. The Iron Horse trail project will construct a bicycle and pedestrian overcrossing over Bollinger Canyon Road, creating a seamless trail experience for users of the regional Iron Horse Trail. The IHT project has cleared the environmental phase and is currently in final design.

Despite being underfunded, the I-80 San Pablo Dam Road Interchange project remains a high priority project to CCTA as it is located along a major freight corridor and is needed to upgrade the interchange to current standards. CCTA will continue to work with the state and MTC to develop a full funding plan for the Interchange project.

Since this action proposes to amend the STIP to reprogram funds, Committee action is required to concur with the proposed amendment consistent with the 2020 RTIP Policies and Procedures (MTC Resolution No. 4398).

The current and proposed 2020 STIP programming is shown below.

Existing Programming:

<u>PPNO</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Phase</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>FY</u>	<u>Title</u>
0242K	CCTA	ROW	\$9,200,000	21/22	I-80 San Pablo Dam Rd. I/C

Proposed Programming:

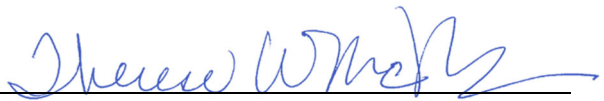
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0242K	CCTA	ROW	<u>\$0</u>	21/22	I-80 San Pablo Dam Rd. I/C
<u>New</u>	<u>CCTA</u>	<u>CON</u>	<u>\$9,200,000</u>	<u>21/22</u>	<u>Iron Horse Trail Overcrossing over Bollinger Canyon Road</u>

The CTC is scheduled to notice the proposed STIP amendment at its January meeting and is expected to act on the amendment at the March 24-25, 2021 meeting.

Issues: None.

Recommendation: Approve the requested STIP amendment concurrence from CCTA and direct staff to send a letter of concurrence to Caltrans and CTC.

Attachments: Attachment 1: CCTA STIP Amendment Request Letter



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Re: Request for STIP Amendment to Reprogram Funds

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Dear Ms. McMillan:

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The Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA) is requesting the reprogramming of \$9.2 million in State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) funds currently programmed for right-of-way clearance activities on I-80/San Pablo Dam Road Interchange – Phase 2 (PPNO 242K) in Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 to a new project. The new project is the Bollinger Canyon Road – Iron Horse Trail Pedestrian and Bicycle Overcrossing. The reprogrammed funds will be used for the construction phase of the project, which is expected to start in FY 2021-22. The Bollinger Canyon Road – Iron Horse Trail Pedestrian and Bicycle Overcrossing has CEQA/NEPA clearance and is currently in the design phase.

Randell H. Iwasaki,
Executive Director

The I-80/San Pablo Dam Road Interchange – Phase 2 has a significant funding shortfall (approximately \$70 million). Due to the large funding shortfall and lack of local matching funds, CCTA's attempts to secure the remaining funding for the project have not been successful. Without secured funding for the construction phase, CCTA is unable to proceed with the right-of-way phase at this time. The project remains a high priority to CCTA as it is located along a major freight corridor and is needed to upgrade the interchange to current standards. CCTA looks forward to working with the State in developing a funding plan to advance the project. In 2017, CCTA successfully completed the initial phase of the project at a cost of \$42 million using Measure J sales tax, Regional Measure 2 bridge tolls, local and STIP funds.

Thank you for processing the requested STIP amendment. Please do not hesitate to contact Hisham Noeimi at (925) 256-4731 or via email at hnoeimi@ccta.net if you have any questions.

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Sincerely,

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Enclosures:

Project Programming Request

Resolution of Local Support