

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: PUBLIC WORKS *MW*

BOARD AGENDA # *C-4

Urgent Routine

AGENDA DATE July 17, 2012

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

SUBJECT:

Approval to Adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Adopt Plans and Specifications for the SR 99/SR 219 (Kiernan Avenue) Interchange Project and Set Bid Opening Date

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Adopt the Plans and Specifications for the SR 99/SR 219 (Kiernan Avenue) Interchange Project.
2. Direct the Department of Public Works to set the bid opening date and time.
3. Direct the Department of Public Works to publish and mail a notice inviting bids to trade journals as required by law.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The total estimated construction cost (including construction management services) for this project is \$37 million. The construction phase of this project will be completely funded with Proposition 1B - State Route 99 Bond Savings funds, which were allocated to the project by the California Transportation Commission on June 27, 2012.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2012-372

On motion of Supervisor Chiesa _____, Seconded by Supervisor Withrow _____
 and approved by the following vote,
 Ayes: Supervisors: Chiesa, Withrow, Monteith, De Martini, and Chairman O'Brien _____
 Noes: Supervisors: _____ None _____
 Excused or Absent: Supervisors: _____ None _____
 Abstaining: Supervisor: _____ None _____

- 1) X Approved as recommended
- 2) _____ Denied
- 3) _____ Approved as amended
- 4) _____ Other:

MOTION:

Christine Ferraro

 CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

ATTEST:

File No.

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STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS (continued):

4. Acting as a responsible agency for the proposed project, adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15074(B), by finding on the basis of the whole record, including the Initial Study and any comments received, that there is no substantial evidence the project will have a significant effect on the environment and that the Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects Stanislaus County's independent judgment and analysis.
5. Direct the Department of Public Works to file a Notice of Determination in accordance with Section 21152(a) of the California Public Resources Code.

DISCUSSION:

Stanislaus County, in cooperation with Caltrans District 10, proposes to reconstruct the SR 99/SR 219 (Kiernan Avenue) Interchange in the community of Salida. This project will help facilitate future growth, help alleviate traffic congestion, and will improve the operation of this interchange. Increasing the efficiency of the interchange will also encourage the free flow of goods and services for the region and the State. Two build alternatives and the no-build alternative were proposed and studied for this interchange. Alternative #1 was the preferred alternative and has been estimated to cost approximately \$46.5 million (in today's dollars) for environmental, design, right-of-way acquisitions, utility relocations, and construction. The environmental, design, right-of-way phase, and utility relocations is funded by the Stanislaus County Public Facilities Fees and environmental mitigation fees. The SR 99 Bond Savings funds (\$37 million) will cover 100% the construction phase of the project.

The proposed interchange improvements include reconstruction of the existing interchange to provide improved operations for turning movements to and from State Route (SR) 99, as well as associated local road improvements at adjacent intersections.

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) clearance was obtained on May 25, 2011 by Caltrans. An Initial Study with Mitigated Negative Declaration/Environmental Assessment with Finding of No Significant Impact was prepared, circulated, approved, and adopted by Caltrans.

The County of Stanislaus is acting as a responsible agency for the proposed project. Caltrans acting as lead agency prepared an Initial Study, consulted with the County of Stanislaus, and adopted a Mitigated Negative Declaration for this project on May 25, 2011. There are no significant environmental impacts of the proposed project. Upon your Board's finding that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment, Public Works will file a Notice of Determination in accordance with Section 21152(a) of the California Public Resources Code.

Approval to Adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Adopt Plans and Specifications for the SR 99/SR 219 (Kiernan Avenue) Interchange Project and Set Bid Opening Date

The design phase of the project, including right of way certification, was completed on May 14, 2012 and is now ready for advertisement, bidding, and contract award. To assure project funding using Proposition 1B-State Route 99 Savings money, it is imperative to have the project advertised and awarded by the end of the 2012 calendar year. Public Works staff recommends that the Board of Supervisors adopt the plans and specifications and set the bid opening date.

The following tentative schedule is provided:

EVENT DESCRIPTION	ANTICIPATED DATE
Board Approval of Plans and Specifications	July 17, 2012
Project Advertisement	September 4 thru October 8, 2012
Bid Opening	October 17, 2012
Board Approval of Contract	December 11, 2012
Notice to Proceed	February/March 2013
Complete Construction	October 2015

Upon the adoption of the plans and specifications for the project, Public Works will be performing a constructability review of the design prior to project advertisement. This is the reason for the delay between the date of adoption and project advertisement.

POLICY ISSUES:

The recommended actions are consistent with the Board's priorities of providing A Safe Community, A Healthy Community and A Well Planned Infrastructure System by providing a reconstructed interchange of Kiernan Avenue that will be functionally operational and safe for the traveling public.

STAFFING IMPACT:

There is no staffing impact associated with this item.

**ATTACHMENTS AVAILABLE
FROM CLERK**

CONTACT PERSON:

Matt Machado, Public Works Director. Telephone: (209) 525-4130.

**DECLARATION OF PUBLICATION
(C.C.P. S2015.5)**

**COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident Of the County aforesaid; I am over the age of Eighteen years, and not a party to or interested In the above entitle matter. I am a printer and Principal clerk of the publisher of **THE MODESTO BEE**, printed in the City of **MODESTO**, County of **STANISLAUS**, State of California, daily, for which said newspaper has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by the Superior Court of the County of **STANISLAUS**, State of California, Under the date of **February 25, 1951, Action No. 46453**; that the notice of which the annexed is a printed copy, has been published in each issue there of on the following dates, to wit:

Sep 17, 2012, Sep 24, 2012, Oct 01, 2012, Oct 08, 2012

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury That the foregoing is true and correct and that This declaration was executed at

MODESTO, California on

October 8th, 2012

(By Electronic Facsimile Signature)



INVITATION TO BIDDERS

SR 99/SR 219 (Kieman Avenue) Interchange Project

Owner is Stanislaus County, Modesto CA; Estimated construction cost for this project is \$30,000,000; Sealed bids are due before 2:00 P.M., October 24, 2012, to Stanislaus County, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, 1010 10th Street, Ste. 6700, Modesto, CA 95354; Project contact is Chris Brady, bradyc@stancounty.com or Fax No. (209) 541-2506. Work to be accomplished includes reconstruction of the SR 99/219 overcrossing bridge structure, replacement of the storm drain lift station on the mainline SR 99, auxiliary lane construction, roadway widening, storm drain improvements, and traffic signal upgrades as directed by the engineer and other such items not mentioned herein that are required by the plans and specifications. Plans and specifications are available at Modesto Reprographics, Modesto, CA (209) 544-2400 and can be viewed/purchased at www.modestoplanroom.com under "Public Jobs". Pub Dates Sept. 17th & 24; October 1st & 8th, 2012