

REPORT TO SHASTA COUNTY RTPA

SUBJECT	MEETING DATE	ITEM NUMBER
Caltrans Interstate 5 Transportation Concept Report Presentation	2/26/08	9

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Receive a presentation on the Interstate 5 Transportation Concept Report (TCR); and
2. Adopt the attached resolution concurring with the TCR.

SUMMARY

Caltrans has prepared a TCR for the I-5 Corridor within District 2 in consultation with the RTPA and member agencies. Caltrans is asking the RTPA to concur with the revised plan.

DISCUSSION

The I-5 TCR analyzes this major north-south corridor which, in Caltrans District 2, runs from the south Tehama County line to the Oregon border. The TCR is intended to provide one unifying concept for managing, operating, improving, and preserving this corridor. It analyzes the corridor by segment, discussing issues and management strategies. Adoption of the TCR should improve our chances for receiving funding for future improvements.

The I-5 TCR meets the requirements for a corridor plan as contained in the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Act of 2006, approved by voters as Proposition 1B on November 7, 2006. The benefits of this plan include:

1. Identifying, prioritizing, and addressing the greatest needs within the corridor
2. Protecting the infrastructure investments as they occur
3. Sequencing of projects logically
4. Leveraging projects with regional and local partners

Caltrans will present the revised TCR, including changes made based on TAC comments, and will be available to answer any questions. Concurrence with the TCR does not commit the Board to future projects or priorities.

Staff recommends that the Board concur with the TCR.

ALTERNATIVES

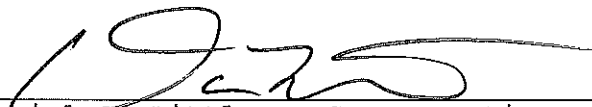
The Board may recommend revisions to the TCR or the Board could choose not to concur with the TCR. Rejecting the TCR is not recommended because it would likely decrease chances for obtaining funding for the corridor.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

Caltrans prepared the TCR. The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) received a presentation on the draft plan at the April 2004 and April 2007 TAC meetings. A revised final draft was discussed and reviewed at the February 2007 TAC.

FINANCING

Concurring with the TCR will not have any direct fiscal effects.



Daniel S. Little, AICP, Executive Director

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Attachment: Resolution 08-02
Draft TCR is available on Caltrans District 2 website at
http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist2/planning/concept_rpts.htm

RESOLUTION NO. 08-02

RESOLUTION OF THE SHASTA COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING
AGENCY CONCURRING WITH THE TRANSPORTATION CONCEPT REPORT
FOR INTERSTATE 5

WHEREAS, the Shasta County Regional Transportation Planning Agency is the Regional Transportation Planning Agency for Shasta County and is responsible for regional transportation planning, which includes the functional relationship between the local road system and state highway system; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), District 2 is responsible for planning, construction, and operation of the state highway system, which includes the functional relationship between the state highway system and local road system; and

WHEREAS, Caltrans, District 2, in cooperation with the Shasta County Regional Transportation Planning Agency, has prepared a Transportation Concept Report for Interstate 5 which sets forth a conceptual plan for the development and operation of the highway for the next twenty years; and

WHEREAS, preparation of the Interstate 5 Transportation Concept Report also involved local elected officials, city and county staff, community organizations, state and federal agencies, tribal governments, the general public, and many other organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Interstate 5 Transportation Concept Report identifies operational and capacity improvements that will be necessary to maintain desired operating conditions/levels of service over the twenty year planning horizon; and

WHEREAS, the Interstate 5 Transportation Concept Report also identifies improvements on or near the state highway system that will facilitate regional or local development, improve local circulation, and enhance quality of life; and

WHEREAS, implementation of many of the improvements identified in the Interstate 5 Transportation Concept Report will require funding and delivery partnerships between Caltrans, District 2, and its local and regional partners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Shasta County Regional Transportation Planning Agency, this 26th day of February, 2008, that:

1. The Interstate 5 Transportation Concept Report presents a balanced and logical concept for the development and operation of Interstate 5 over the next twenty years.
2. The Interstate 5 Transportation Concept Report should be considered during preparation of the Regional Transportation Improvement Program, Interregional Transportation Improvement Program, and other plans and funding programs.
3. The Executive Director is hereby authorized to sign the "Concurrence" block on the signature sheet for the Interstate 5 Transportation Concept Report.

Norma Connick, Chair
Shasta County Regional
Transportation Planning Agency