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memorandum

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subject Request to Correct FTIP Project ID of PM Hot Spot Interagency Review Form (RIV180142)
Discussed at June 22, 2021 TCWG Meeting

The City of Coachella requests that the correct FTIP Project ID of the PM Hot Spot Interagency Review Form (RIV180142) discussed at the June 22, 2021 Transportation Conformity Working Group (TCWG) Meeting be identified for the widening of Dillion Road from two to six lanes from Cabazon Road/Avenue 48 to the SR-86 Southbound interchange (Project). The correct FTIP Project ID for the Dillion Road Project is RIV180145. The City understands that to provide the correct FTIP Project ID, the item will need to be included on the May 24, 2022 TCWG meeting agenda. We are available to attend the meeting to describe the issue and request. Following is an explanation of the issue.

On June 22, 2021, the SCAG TCWG met to discuss the Dillion Road Project which was the 14th Project listed on the Agenda and provided on your website at: <https://scag.ca.gov/project-level-conformity>. The information included the following which shows an File Description number as RIV180142.

File Description:

RIV180142 – Not a POAQC – Hot Spot Analysis Not Required

Completion Date:

06/22/2021

Category:

PM Hot Spot

Downloads:

 RIV180142

When downloading the RIV180142 PDF, it included the following Project Description that includes an improvement from two lanes to six lanes from Cabazon Road/Avenue 48 to SR-86.

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), in cooperation with the Dillon Road Joint Powers Authority (JPA), proposes to widen the Dillon Road corridor from two to six lanes from Cabazon Road/Avenue 48 to the SR-86 Southbound interchange and reconstruct the existing bridge with new twin parallel bridges to span over the Coachella Valley Stormwater Channel (CVSC) (“the Project”). The purpose of the Project is to provide infrastructure improvements to the structurally deficient Dillon Road Bridge, address future traffic congestion associated with the increase in forecasted travel demand, and enhance safety along the Dillon Road corridor. The total length of the Project is 0.68 miles. Caltrans and the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) are joint lead agencies under NEPA. The City of Coachella is the lead agency under CEQA. The Project objectives are to provide infrastructure for future planned development, avoid or minimize adverse traffic effects associated with the forecasted travel demand within the Project area, correct the existing hydraulic deficiencies at the CVSC, and enhance safety along the Dillon Road corridor. One build alternative and a No Build Alternative are proposed for this project. The proposed alternatives are further discussed below.

The above description is described in the RTP/SCS as well as provided on the 2021 FTIP Project List with the number RIV180145 as shown below.

RTP Description for RIV180145 includes the improvement of Dillion Road from 2 to 6 lanes from Cabazon Road to SR-86.

TABLE 2 Financially-Constrained RTP/SCS Projects - Continued

System	Lead Agency	RTP ID	Route #	Route Name	From	To	Description	Completion Year	Project Cost (\$1,000's)
County: Riverside									
LOCAL HIGHWAY	COACHELLA	2016A319-RIV180145	0				IN THE COACHELLA VALLEY IN THE CITY OF COACHELLA: WIDEN DILLON RD FROM 2 TO 6 LANES, FROM CABAZON RD TO SR-86 I/C, INCLUDING RECONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGE (#56C0318) OVER COACHELLA VALLEY STORMWATER CHANNEL, SIDEWALK, MEDIANS AND BIKE LANES.	2025	\$4,800

The FTIP Description provided below for RIV180145 is widening Dillion Road from 2 to 6 lanes from Cabazon Road to SR-86.

**2021 Federal Transportation Improvement Program
Riverside County Project Listing
State
(in \$000's)**

FTIP ID	LEAD AGENCY	COUNTY	CONFORM CATEGORY	MODELING	AIR BASIN	TOTAL PROJECT COST	RTP ID	SYSTEM		
RIV180145	COACHELLA	Riverside	NON-EXEMPT	YES	SSAB	\$45,300	2016A319	Local		
PRIMARY PROGRAM CODE			PROJECT LIMITS			FTIP AMENDMENT				
CAXT2 - HIGHWAY/ROAD IMP - LANE ADD'S - w/TCM : RS			From Cabazon Rd to SR-86			Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) - 21-00				
DESCRIPTION										
IN THE COACHELLA VALLEY IN THE CITY OF COACHELLA: WIDEN DILLON RD FROM 2 TO 6 LANES, FROM CABAZON RD TO SR-86 I/C, INCLUDING RECONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGE (#56c0318) OVER COACHELLA VALLEY STORMWATER CHANNEL, SIDEWALK, MEDIANS AND BIKE LANES.										
PHASE	FUND SOURCE	PRIOR	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	FUTURE	TOTAL
PE	AGENCY	\$1,800	\$3,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,300
ROW	AGENCY	\$0	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,000
CON	AGENCY	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$34,999	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$34,999
CON	SURFACE TRANS BLK GRNT LOCAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1
TOTAL	TOTAL	\$1,800	\$8,500	\$0	\$0	\$35,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$45,300

We are currently processing the Air Quality Report and Air Quality Conformity Analysis for the Dillion Road Project. We understand that the improvement of Dillion Road from two to six lanes from Cabazon Road to SR-86 is correct but the number identified in the SCAG TCWG agenda is incorrect.

We request a correction to the number on the SCAG TCWG agenda from RIV18042 to RIV18045 so that when Caltrans accesses the Working Group website, the correct number is provided.

Please let me know if you need any additional information to make the requested correction. My contact information is below. We also request that you confirm that this request can be included on the May 24, 2022 TCWG meeting agenda.

Thank you.



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