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# **TECHNICAL ADVISORY**

# COMMITTEE

#### **MINUTES**

#### December 17, 2020

#### **Present:**

Gordon Gaste Abraham Campos Robert Ureña Jesus Villegas Carlos Romero Jeorge Galvan Nick Wells Joel Hamby Ismael Gomez

#### **Others:**

Virginia Mendoza Marlene Flores Cristi Lerma David Salgado Tyler Salcido Guillermo Sillas Manuel Cabrera Andres Miramontes Ana Gutierrez Javier Luna **Christian Rodriguez** Felix DeLeon Catherine Gutierrez Ben Guerrero Denise Marin Kelly Burnell

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Due to the COVID-19 and Executive Order N-25-20, teleconferencing is recommended for the public, however measures will be taken to have access for those who wish to participate in person while still abiding by local, state and federal mandates. Following is teleconference information.

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. A quorum was present, and introductions were made. There were no public comments made.

## 1. Introductions

- 2. A *motion* was made to adopt the minutes for November 19, 2020 (Hamby/Romero) Motion Carried.
- **3.** SR-78/Glamis Multiuse Grade Separated Crossing Feasibility Study Update: (*Presented by: Virginia Mendoza and Kelly Burnell from Kleinfelder*)

A presentation was provided by Kelly Burnell from Kleinfelder on the State Route 78/Glamis Multiuse Grade Separated Crossing Feasibility Study. The Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) performed a feasibility study to identify and analyze design alternatives and locations for a safe multi-use grade separated crossing for off-highway vehicle (OHV) users across the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) rail line at SR 78 and the Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area (ISDRA), commonly known as Glamis. The Study area is within the eastern portion of the ISDRA and is approximately 3 miles long and 2,000 feet wide. It is bisected by the UPRR from SR 78 in the north to approximately Wash 15 in the south, encompassing Ted Kipf road to the east. Kelly Burnell provided a list of alternatives that were considered based on the type of grade-separated crossing, overcrossing and underpass, and the location of the crossing within the study area. These four alternatives represented the primary locations and included three overcrossing and one underpass.

After considering the programming needs, the following six alternatives were identified:

- 1. Alternative 78-Overcrossing is an overcrossing at SR 78 with an estimated cost of \$34.5 million.
- 2. Alternative 78 T-Overcrossing is an overcrossing southeast of SR 78 with an estimated cost of \$12 million.
- 3. Alternative 9.5-Underpass is an underpass between Wash 9 and 10 at an estimated cost of \$10.5 million.
- 4. Alternative 10-Overcrossing is an overcrossing at Wash 10 with an estimated cost of \$11.5 million.

ICTC staff request that the Technical Advisory Committee recommend and submit the attached Draft Study Report to the ICTC Management Committee for review and recommendations to forward onto the Commission to: Approve the State Route 78/Glamis Multiuse Grade Separated Crossing Feasibility Draft Study Report.

A *motion* was made to approve the State Route 78/Glamis Multiuse Grade Separated Crossing Feasibility Draft Study Report (Galvan/Luna) Motion Carried.

4. Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) & Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) 2021 Call for Projects DRAFT Guidelines *Presented by: ICTC Staff* 

Virginia Mendoza introduced the Call for Project Guidelines for the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) & Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Programs. The guidelines were introduced to TAC members as an information item and plan to request TAC members consideration for Action during the January TAC meeting.

Virginia Mendoza summarized the CMAQ and STBG funds that will be available for programming for the three-year period FFY 2021-2022- 2023/2024.

FFY 21/22	FFY 22/23	FFY 23/24	TOTAL
\$1,741,362	\$1,740,810	\$1,740,248	\$5,222,420

### **STBG Funding Estimates**

FFY 21/22	FFY 22/23	FFY 23/24	TOTAL
\$2,570,088	\$2,568,035	\$2,565,941	\$7,704,064

ICTC is currently working on releasing the 2021 Call for Projects Guidelines for both STBG and CMAQ Programs. Program Guidelines highlight eligible and ineligible project types as well as an overview of each program and submittal instructions. Funding availability is projected for FFY2021/2022 thru FFY 2023/2024. The Call for Projects is open to all cities and the County of Imperial. Below is the proposed Call for Projects implementation schedule for both CMAQ and STBG.

Virginia Mendoza mentioned how the new guidelines have been combined into one set. A sample application has been added to the guidelines to guide local agencies with the application. A DRAFT copy of the Call for Project Guideline was provided to all TAC members. Virginia asked TAC members to review both program guidelines and to provide input to ICTC before the next TAC meeting on January 28, 2021.

5. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 11:07 a.m.