



July 13, 2020

To: Members of the Board of Directors

From: Laurena Weinert, Clerk of the Board

Subject: OC Bridges Railroad Grade Separation Program Funding Update and

Closeout

Regional Planning and Highways Committee Meeting of July 6, 2020

Present: Directors Bartlett, Chaffee, Delgleize, Muller, M. Murphy, and

R. Murphy

Absent: Director Pulido

Committee Vote

Following the roll call vote, this item was declared passed 6-0 by the Members present.

Committee Recommendations

- A. Authorize an overall program adjustment to the OC Bridges Railroad Grade Separation Program budget, from \$666.179 million to \$667.700 million, an increase of \$1.521 million, and approve the following specific funding changes:
 - \$6.069 million in additional Measure M2 (Project O Regional Capacity Program)
 - \$3.966 million in reduced combined federal funds, including Surface Transportation Block Grant and Federal Demonstration Earmarks
 - \$0.428 million in reduced state Proposition 1B Trade Corridors Improvement Fund
 - \$0.154 million in reduced utility relocation reimbursement
- B. Authorize staff to process all necessary amendments to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program, and execute or amend all necessary agreements to facilitate the above actions.



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Committee Discussion

At the July 6, 2020 Regional Planning and Highways Committee Meeting, Director Bartlett asked about the status of implementation of a railroad grade separation at Santa Ana Boulevard next to the Santa Ana Regional Transportation Center in the City of Santa Ana.

Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer, stated that staff will provide a broader look at the overall status of planned and conceptual Orange County railroad grade separations at a future committee meeting. This will include railroad crossings which are on the statewide California Public Utilities Commission Annual Grade Separation Priority List, which considers safety need and traffic volumes, and look at what opportunities we have for prioritization, studies, and next steps. Santa Ana Boulevard will be included in the report.