

# Calaveras Council of Governments

## State Route 4, Wagon Trail Realignment

### Project Update Report

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#### SUMMARY

Calaveras COG is the lead agency for preliminary design and environmental clearance on a 5-mile portion of State Route (SR) 4 between Copperopolis and Angels Camp. The first step required is to amend the existing cooperative agreement between Calaveras Council of Governments (CCOG) and Caltrans, due to new federal funding sources paying for the preliminary design and environmental work. The cooperative agreement amendment has been approved by Caltrans Headquarters and is now ready for Council approval.

#### DISCUSSION

On December 15, 2004, the Calaveras Council of Governments approved Cooperative (Co-Op) Agreement No. 10-183. This Co-Op between Caltrans and CCOG allowed CCOG to be the lead agency for the SR 4 Wagon Trail Realignment project located between Copperopolis and Angels Camp. Co-Op No. 10-183 also included 10% oversight charges to be paid to Caltrans.

Recently, Federal earmark funding became available to CCOG for this project. When Federal earmark funding is used on a project, then 10% oversight charges are not charged against the Federal funds, only on that portion of the State match funding. Co-Op 10-183A-1 amendment includes the following funding:

- \$320,610 of Public Lands Highway (PLH),
- \$1,000,000 High Priority Project (HPP) funding
- \$750,000 of PLH funding
- \$200,000 of Regional Improvement Program (RIP) funds of the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for required HPP match funding

There is \$1,060,000 RIP STIP funds programmed for 2008/09. HPP funding is required to have a 20% match. \$200,000 of the \$1,060,000 2008/09 Programmed STIP funds for this project can be used as the required HPP match funds. The proposed new Co-Op also shows that 10% of the \$200,000 – \$20,000 – be used to pay for Caltrans oversight. Those projects funded under the High Priority Project (HPP) funding are estimated to only receive 85% of the funding approved. Funding for Public Lands Highway earmark funds may also be funded at the 85% level. Caltrans is requesting approval of Cooperative Agreement No. 10-183A-1. Attached is Co-Op No. 10-183A-1.

#### PROJECT SCHEDULE

Current Project Schedule	Responsible Person	Date Scheduled	Date Completed
• CTC approves CCOG as lead agency	CCOG	6/26/03	6/26/03
• Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans accepted <del>12/03</del>	J. Pinne	12/15/04	12/8/05
• 05/06 PLH Federal funds adopted into FTIP/FSTIP	G. Dondero	6/1/05	4/1/05
• <b>Amend Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans 5/8/06</b>	<b>S. Maas</b>	<b>12/6/06</b>	
• Advertise for consultants to prepare PA&ED	S. Maas	2/15/07	
• Open proposals to begin preparation of PA&ED	CCOG	4/1/07	
• Award consulting firm to prepare PA&ED	CCOG	5/1/07	
• Begin preparation of PA&ED	S. Maas	6/1/07	