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**PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE**

**APRIL 19, 2006**

**PROJECT: PHASE I, PRIORITY 1 SOUNDWALLS – PACKAGES 2 AND 3**

**ACTION: APPROVE FUNDING FOR CONSTRUCTION**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to enter into a Funding Agreement (FA) with the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to reimburse Caltrans for the construction and construction support of the Phase I, Priority 1, Packages 2 and 3 Soundwalls in the Metro Post 1989 Retrofit Soundwall Program for an amount not to exceed \$24,000,000. Package 2 is on Interstate 210 from Citrus Avenue to Glendora Avenue, and Package 3 is on Interstate 210 from Rosemead Boulevard to Baldwin Avenue.

**ISSUE**

On July 24, 2003, the Board authorized funds for the final design for Phase I, Priority 1, Packages 2 and 3 Soundwalls which are currently under development by Caltrans. On October 27, 2005 the Board authorized the CEO to execute an amendment to the existing design MOU to reimburse Caltrans for Right-of-Way (ROW) acquisition and support costs of the Phase I, Priority 1, Packages 2 and 3 Soundwalls. At this point, Caltrans requires the funding commitment for construction capital and support to keep these projects moving forward as the Caltrans design completion and ROW Certification are anticipated in November 2006.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

This recommended action is consistent with the Board adopted Post 1989 Retrofit Soundwall Implementation Policies (April 2000) which includes delivery and development of funding strategies for the Post 1989, Phase I Soundwall Projects.

## **OPTIONS**

The Board could choose not to approve funding for Packages 2 and 3 Soundwall Projects. However, this alternative is not recommended because it would run counter to the Board's expressed direction regarding implementing the Post 1989 Retrofit Soundwall List.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The fund sources are planned to be Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) and Proposition C 25% matching funds reserved for the Soundwall Program through previous Board actions. Caltrans will access the STP funds through the federal reimbursement process and sufficient funds will be budgeted in FY 2006-07 and FY 2007-08 under Cost Center 0441, under Project Number 410040, Account Number 54001, Task Number 8410.03.01 to reimburse Caltrans for Proposition C 25% funds for anticipated expenditures for the Packages 2 and 3 Soundwall Projects. Since these are multi-year projects, the Cost Center Manager and the Chief Planning Officer will be accountable for budgeting the funds in future years.

## **BACKGROUND**

On July 24 2003, the Board adopted the Phase I, Priority 1 Working Priorities which were comprised of seven soundwall packages and authorized the CEO to enter into an MOU with Caltrans for final design of the Phase I, Priority 1, Packages 1 to 3 Soundwalls. On February 24, 2005, the Board programmed design funds for Phase I, Priority 1, Package 4 Soundwalls. Staff indicated they would return to the Board for approval of construction capital and funding for these soundwalls once design was completed.

Caltrans has completed the final design and ROW certification process for Package 1 Soundwalls and is scheduled to begin construction in April 2006. The Board programmed the construction funds on October 27, 2005.

Caltrans will complete the final design and ROW certification process for Packages 2 and 3 in November 2006 and begin construction in April 2007. The recommended action will provide the construction funds for these packages.

Caltrans has begun design of Package 4. The construction funds for Package 4 and the design and construction funds for Packages 5-7 are not yet programmed and will require the programming of additional funds.

## **NEXT STEPS**

Should the Board approve the recommendation, staff will work with Caltrans to execute the funding MOU for the construction capital and support components of soundwall packages 2 and 3 projects.

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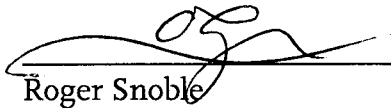
## **ATTACHMENTS**

A. Project Location Maps



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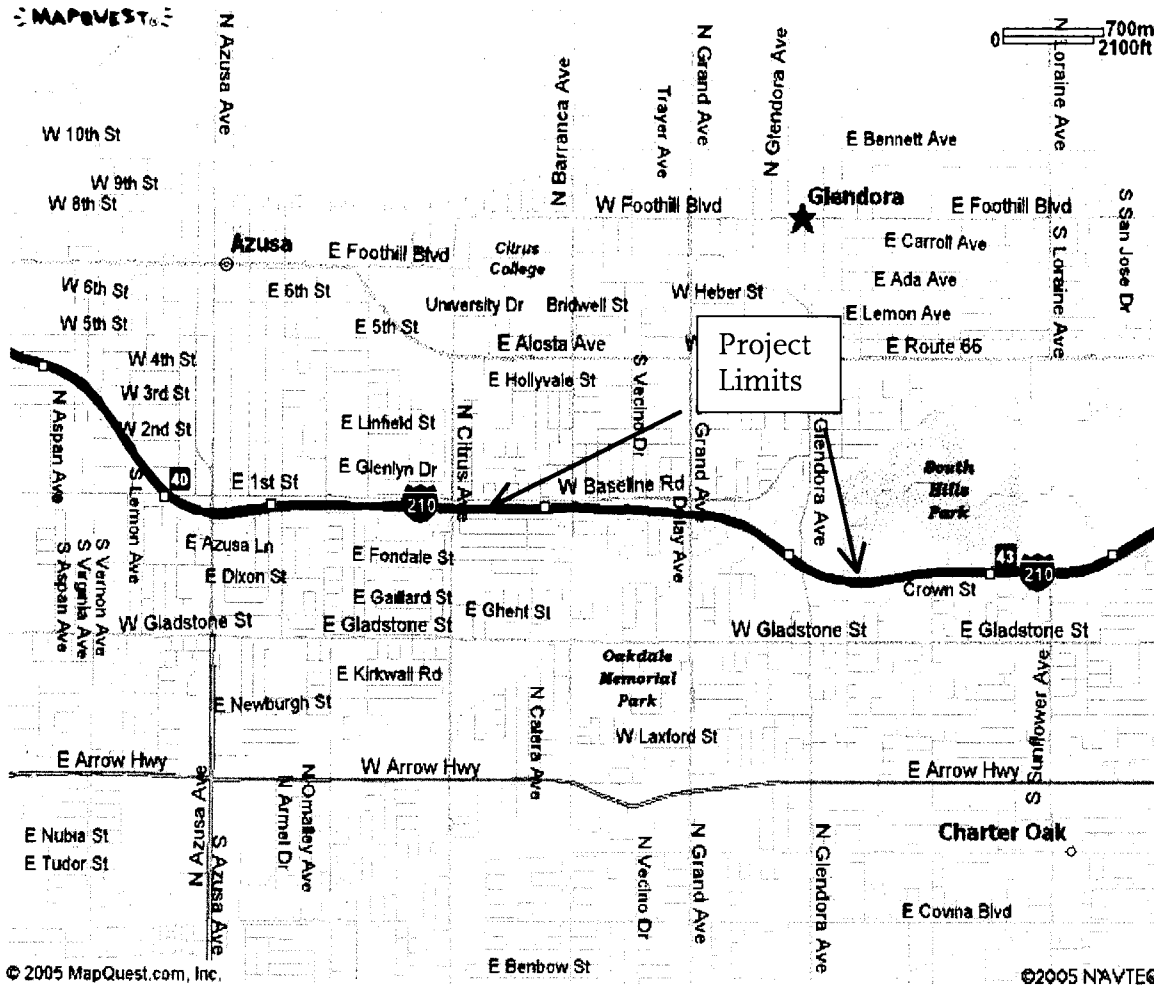
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Roger Snoble  
Chief Executive Officer

**ATTACHMENT A**

**LOCATION MAP**

**Metro Post 1989 Retrofit Soundwall Program  
Phase I, Priority 1, Package 2 Soundwalls  
EB/WB Interstate 210 from Citrus Avenue to Glendora Avenue**



## LOCATION MAP

### Metro Post 1989 Retrofit Soundwall Program Phase I, Priority 1, Package 3 Soundwalls EB/WB Interstate 210 from Rosemead Boulevard to Baldwin Avenue

