

AGENDA: March 2, 2006

TO: Regional Transportation Commission/Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies

FROM: Grace Blakeslee, Transportation Planner

RE: 2002-2005 Safe on 17 California Highway Patrol Extra Enforcement Contract Completion

RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends that the Regional Transportation Commission/Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies (SCCRTC SAFE) approve the attached resolution (Attachment 1) amending the contract with the California Highway Patrol (CHP) for extra CHP enforcement on Highway 17 to extend the agreement to cover the period between October 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005.

BACKGROUND

Based on the success of the Safe on 17 Program in reducing collisions, in partnership with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways (MTC SAFE), the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies (SCCRTC SAFE) approved funding extra CHP enforcement on Highway 17 for three years. In September 2002, the California Highway Patrol (CHP) and the SCCRTC SAFE entered into a three-year agreement to provide extra CHP enforcement on Highway 17 between Scotts Valley in Santa Cruz County and Los Gatos in Santa Clara County. The term of the agreement is October 1, 2002 to September 30, 2005. MTC SAFE provides funding for extra CHP enforcement on the Santa Clara County side of Highway 17.

DISCUSSION

The extra CHP enforcement services covered by the Safe on 17 contract with the CHP actually began in January 2003. This means that the three-year period for extra enforcement services ended in December 2005. Since the original resolution for this contract did not include explicit language allowing contract amendments to extend the term of the agreement. It is necessary to approve a resolution authorizing that amendment so that staff may pay the CHP for extra enforcement services provided in the period between October 1, 2005 and December 31, 2005. **Therefore, staff recommends approval of the attached resolution (Attachment 1) authorizing an amendment to extend the term of the 2002 to 2005 Safe on 17 extra CHP enforcement contract.**

A new three-year contract for extra CHP enforcement services beginning on January 1, 2006 was approved by the SCCRTC in October 2005 and extra CHP enforcement services are currently being provided under this contract.

SUMMARY

The previous Safe on 17 California Highway Patrol (CHP) extra enforcement contract covers the period between October 1, 2002 to September 30, 2005. However, the program was actually executed during the period of January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2005. It is now necessary to approve a resolution authorizing amendment to the contract in order to pay the final invoice and close that contract.

Attachment 1: Resolution Amending Contract for Extra CHP Enforcement on Highway 17.

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