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Subject: RE: PBA 2050 - Vasco Road Byron Hwy

External Email

Hi Raleigh,

Sorry for the delay. I was trying to put some of our questions together so I can include in one email. Please see my response (in red) to your email below.

In our review of the draft project list, we found the following as the description and cost for the project.

T06	21-T06-047	Corridor & Interchange Improvements New Freeway Contra Costa County	This program includes funding to implement new freeway lanes and interchange improvements on SR-4/Vasco Rd between Balfour Rd and Vasco Rd and a new 2-lane expressway between Vasco Rd and Byron Hwy.	2036 - 2050	\$696
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Digging deeper into the [Final Blueprint](#), we think the \$696M includes:

1. Line 45: SR4/Vasco Rd Widening, Yr 2036-2050, \$510M.
2. Line 63: Vasco Road/Byron Road Highway/New Connector Road, Yr 2036-2050; \$185M

I have some concerns about Vasco/Byron Connector being in Bin #2 (Yr 2036-2050) as we are working on the environmental document for the project right now, which will be completed in a couple of years. In the previous RTP, there were not any years/bins associated with the project list and Caltrans would check that projects are in a constrained RTP as part of the environmental clearance process. I am concerned that Caltrans may have questions/confusion about the bins. Technically, Caltrans should conduct their checks like they've done in the past to make sure the project is in the RTP and that the project cost isn't over the RTP project listing. I hope Caltrans' process doesn't change with the introduction of the bin. Will there be some coordination between MTC and Caltrans about the bins as part of PBA 2050 project list? Or is it possible to pull the Vasco/Byron out to Bin #1?

Thanks,

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Hi Stephanie,

Thanks for connecting us with the right people on the I-80 transit improvements project. Do you happen to have an update on my question below about the interchange between Vasco Rd and the new 2 lane roadway to Byron Highway?

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Hi Stephanie,

We're getting the updated Vasco Road Byron Hwy project ready for representation in the travel model. With the updated project description, should there be a diamond interchange between the existing Vasco Rd and the new 2 lane facility, or would that be a regular intersection? **It will be a regular intersection.**

Similarly, I took the project description that says "intersection improvements at Armstrong Rd" to mean there is no diamond interchange at Armstrong Rd and the new 2 lane facility. **The connection between an easterly extension of Armstrong Rd to the new roadway will be a regular intersection.**

Best,
Raleigh

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Thanks!

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Hi Stephanie,

These updates seem fine to me, but I do have a few questions for modeling purposes:

- The new scope references a two-lane roadway. Should we be reflecting this in our travel model as one lane in each direction?
 - Yes
- Also, just wanted to confirm that the project would still replace the segment of Armstrong Rd that goes from east to west, or if the new facility would be separate from that part of Armstrong Rd. If it's not replacing the existing segment of Armstrong Rd, a map would be helpful for our footprint analysis and project mapping.
 - **Armstrong will be extended to the east to connect with the new connector as an intersection, as shown in the picture below:**



- We are currently representing this project as a limited access freeway (facility type = 2), but the scope says roadway and mentions an intersection, so it sounds like coding the project as an expressway (facility type = 3) might be more appropriate. What do you think? Let me know if you need more specifics on freeway vs. expressway and I can have our modelers provide.
 - I think the project should be modeled as an expressway (facility type = 3)

Best,
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Hi Raleigh, Adam,

I hope you are well! I am reaching out about another one of our projects on the PBA 2050 project list. CCTA is currently working on the environmental clearance phase for subject project. In reviewing the RTP project description, we would like to make the following changes to match the current project scope. I hope we still have time to make the revision. Please let me know if you have any questions.

ID	Title/Program	Scope
CC-053	Vasco Road Byron Highway Connector Road	Replace/upgrade existing Armstrong Road. Add new road segments west of Armstrong Road to Vasco Road and east of Armstrong Road to Byron Highway. 4 lane highway with interchanges at Byron Road and Vasco Road. Part of the SR-239 Project Study Report (PSR-PDS). New two-lane roadway between Vasco Road and Byron Highway with a new intersection at Armstrong Road. Project was formerly named: SR-239: Airport Connector.

Thank you!!

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