

EXHIBIT D

Appropriations Request

Rep. Costa's FY11 Appropriations Project Request Form
(Additional Materials May be Attached)

Requesting Entity: City of Lemoore

Requesting Individual: Jeff Britz, City Manager

Project Name: SR 198 / 19th Avenue Interchange

Amount Requested: \$3,000,000.00

Priority: 1 of 1 requests

Appropriations Bill: HR 2847

Agency: Department of Transportation

Account: Transportation, Community, and System Preservation (TCSP) Program

Congressional District(s) in which the project is located: 20th

Brief Description:

An interchange at State Route (SR) 198 and 19th Avenue in Lemoore, California, is at the top of the Kings County Association of Governments (KCAG) priority list and has received funding approval from the State of California Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). KCAG requested advanced STIP funding so that the project could begin. It is currently in the design phase with Caltrans, which is approximately 95 percent complete and fully funded. The original cost for construction was estimated at \$29,070,000 and we currently have commitments to fund that amount. However, the design phase is nearing completion and a more accurate cost of

construction is known. This project will be ready to go out to bid by August 2011. We are requesting your financial assistance in the amount of \$3,000,000 to fill the gap so that the construction of this interchange project can remain on schedule.

Are you requesting appropriations report language? YES _____ NO X _____

(Example: The committee encourages USDA to conduct a study of economically viable alternatives to caustic (lye) fruit peeling that reduce the impact of salinity in wastewater)

If yes, please include language below:

N/A

Need for the Project (must include purpose and why it is a valuable use of taxpayer funds):

The purpose of this project is to address the need to correct and enhance certain aspects associated with safety, connectivity, economic development and job creation - all of which make this project a valuable use of taxpayer funds. It is important to note that Kings County is an economically disadvantaged area with an unemployment rate of 17.1%, well above the state average of 12.1% for California and 9.7% for the nation during the same period (Dec. 2009 Preliminary Data – State of California, Employment Development Department). This project will create jobs in the short-term during the construction phase, but it will also create long-term jobs because the interchange will improve access to our Lemoore Industrial Park, which is located south of SR 198. The following information further describes the necessity of the project.

This project is located on an interregional state highway corridor. An interchange at this location will enhance the operation and safety of the route by providing improved access control. It will improve the connectivity of the corridor between two highway systems – Interstate 5 and SR 99. In addition, the closure of two at-grade crossings is part of the project, which will further enhance the safety and connectivity of the highway. An interchange at this location will improve access to jobs, housing, and commerce and will improve the safety for the employees and patrons of the businesses in the Lemoore Industrial Park.

SR 198 is a primary commuter route between Visalia, Hanford, Lemoore and Naval Air Station (NAS) Lemoore. NAS Lemoore is a critical strategic military installation and a major employer in the region. It is the newest and largest of the Navy's master jet bases in the United States and is being considered as a possible site for the Navy's F-35 Joint Strike Fighter Squadrons. NAS Lemoore is near the proposed 19th Avenue Interchange, and the potential addition of the F-35 Fighter Squadrons will not only increase the traffic, but will highlight SR 198 as a route of National Security.

In addition, SR 198 will also become an important connector for the High Speed Rail system with the potential for a station to be developed near the City of Hanford. The SR 198 Corridor System Management Plan is being amended to recognize the potential volume of traffic that will be generated by the proposed rail system.

Financial History of Project (local funding, grants, etc.):

The total cost of this project was estimated at \$36,234,000. Caltrans is nearing completion on the engineering and right-of-way phases, which are fully funded at \$7,200,000 through Regional Improvement Program (RIP) funds and the construction phase is expected to begin mid 2011. Now that Caltrans has nearly completed the initial phases, the total construction cost is estimated to be approximately \$29,070,000.

The project was originally funded through the California State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), but the lack of state funding has delayed the construction of the project. To keep this project on schedule, the City of Lemoore and KCAG requested \$16,524,000 from the saving of the SR 198 Widening Project (Corridor Management Improvement Account (CMIA)) from the California Transportation Commission, which is Kings County's proportionate share of the savings. These funds (project savings) are highly competitive and the award determination of such will not be announced until late March or April of this year. If awarded, these funds will reduce the amount of STIP funds required for the project.

Is this program/project in President's Budget Request: YES _____ NO X

If yes, what amount is allocated: N/A

Previous Federal Appropriations History:

Was a request submitted in FY10? YES _____ NO X
*(However, a request was submitted in FY10 as a High Priority Project in the new
Federal Surface Transportation Authorization Legislation.)*

If yes:

FY10- amount requested? N/A Amount awarded: N/A

Request from other fiscal years:

FY09- amount requested: N/A Amount awarded : N/A

FY08- amount requested: N/A Amount awarded : N/A

FY10 Federal Share (what percentage of the total project cost will be paid for using money from
this federal earmark?): 8.28 %

Local Share: 91.72 %

Project Budget Breakdown: Construction Support - \$2,770,000. Construction Capital -
\$26,300,000. State funding through the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

For Department of Defense Requests Only:

Account: (ex: RDT&E, Navy) _____

Line: _____

Program Element Number (PE): _____

Grantee Legal Name: City of Lemoore

Grantee Phone Number: (559) 924-6700

Grantee E-Mail Address: jholwell@lemoore.com

Grantee Address: 119 Fox Street, Lemoore, CA 93245

Is the Grantee a For-Profit Entity? YES _____ NO X _____

If Applicable:

Local Contact Name/Title/Phone: Judy Holwell, Redevelopment Project Manager
(559) 924-6704

Washington Contact Name: _____

Washington Contact Affiliation: _____

Washington Contact Phone: _____

In order to ensure timely consideration, this form must be filled out in its entirety and returned to the Washington, DC office *no later* than March 1, 2009. Late requests will not be considered. Please submit electronically via CostaAppropriationsRequest@mail.house.gov or by fax to (202) 225-9308, Attention: Appropriations Request. Please be aware, all timely projects will receive consideration, but are not guaranteed to be submitted.

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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FAIRS,
ALLOCATION, AND CLASSIFICATION

June 23, 2010

The Honorable Jim Costa
United States House of Representatives
1314 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Costa:

Re: State Route 198/19th Avenue Interchange
Letter of Support

Dear Congressman Costa,

My office fully supports the City of Lemoore's efforts to complete the construction of an interchange on State Route 198 at 19th Avenue in Lemoore. An interchange at this location will enhance the operation and safety of the route by providing improved access to jobs, housing, and commerce, all of which make this project a valuable use of taxpayer funds.

State Route 198 is a major interregional corridor providing east-west connectivity between Interstate 5 and State Route 99. It is a primary commuter route between Visalia, Hanford, Lemoore and Naval Air Station (NAS) Lemoore. NAS Lemoore is a critical strategic military installation and a major employer in the region. As you know, it is the newest and largest of the Navy's master jet bases in the United States and is being considered as a possible site for the Navy's F-35 Joint Strike Fighter Squadrons, which will not only increase the traffic, but will highlight State Route 198 as a route of National Security.

Before serving in the in the California State Assembly, I served for 31 years on the California Highway Patrol. I know how vital this funding is to provide route continuity, increase capacity, improve local access to the regional highway system and improve safety within the project limits where accident rates are above the expected levels. I appreciate your advocacy of this very important project. If I can be of further assistance in this matter please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

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DANNY D. GILMORE
Assemblyman, 30th AD
DDG:nsf



Olam Tomato Processors Inc.

June 23, 1010

Congressman Jim Costa
1314 Longworth Building
Washington, DC 20515

Re: State Route 198/19th Avenue Interchange
Letter of Support

Dear Congressman Costa,

Olam Tomato Processors, Inc. fully supports and requests your continued support for the construction of an interchange on State Route 198 at 19th Avenue in the City of Lemoore. An interchange at this location will enhance the operation and safety of the route by providing improved access to the Lemoore Industrial Park where our company is located.

In addition, State Route 198 is a major interregional corridor providing east-west connectivity between Interstate 5 and State Route 99. The purpose of this project is to provide route continuity, increase capacity, improve local access to the regional highway system and improve safety within the project limits where accident rates are above the expected levels. This project will also provide an economic boost to the area through creation of short-term employment during the construction phase and long-term jobs with improved access and safety to our Lemoore Industrial Park.

If our organization can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at (559) 924-6500. Thank you for your consideration of Lemoore's project.

Sincerely,

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Steve Power
Olam Tomato Processors, Inc.

Mailed 6/29/10

June 28, 1010

The Honorable Jim Costa
1314 Longworth Building
Washington, DC 20515

Re: State Route 198/19th Avenue Interchange
Letter of Support

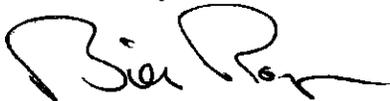
Dear Congressman Costa,

Royer Cycle and Marine, a recreational dealer and repair facility in Lemoore, fully supports and requests your continued support for the construction of an interchange on State Route 198 at 19th Avenue in the City of Lemoore. An interchange at this location will enhance the operation and safety of the route by providing improved access to the Lemoore Industrial Park where our company is located.

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If our organization can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at (559) 925-0640. Thank you for your consideration of Lemoore's project.

Sincerely,



Bill Royer
Owner

DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL

1565 Glendale Avenue
Hanford, CA 93230
(559) 582-0231
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May 17, 2010

File No.: 440.10045

Congressman Jim Costa
1314 Longworth Building
Washington, DC 20515

Re: State Route 198/19th Avenue Interchange
Letter of Support

Honorable Congressman Costa,

The California Highway Patrol is sending this letter in support for your efforts to obtain funding for the construction of an interchange on State Route 198 at 19th Avenue in the City of Lemoore. It is our opinion that an interchange at this location would enhance the operation and safety of the route by providing improved access control. Furthermore, it would improve access to the Lemoore Industrial Park, which is located south of State Route 198.

State Route 198 is a major east-west corridor between Interstate 5 and State Route 99 and an interchange at this location would improve connectivity along this route. In addition, this project includes the elimination of two at-grade intersections on State Route 198 by constructing an interchange at 19th Avenue and closing access to State Route 198 at Vine Street. Ultimately, this project would provide route continuity, increase capacity, improve local access to the regional highway system and improve safety within the project limits where accident rates are above expected levels.

If our department can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at (559) 582-0231.

Sincerely,

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D. M. PUDER, Lieutenant
Commander



657 Fox Street • Lemoore, California 93245 • (559) 924-9574 • FAX (559) 924-3116
Police Department

June 23, 2010

Congressman Jim Costa
1314 Longworth Building
Washington, DC 20515

Re: State Route 198/19th Avenue Interchange
Letter of Support

Dear Congressman Costa,

The Lemoore Police Department fully supports and requests your continued support for the construction of an interchange on State Route 198 at 19th Avenue in the City of Lemoore. An interchange at this location will enhance the operation and safety of the route by providing improved access control. Furthermore, it will improve access to the Lemoore Industrial Park, which is located south of State Route 198.

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If our department can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at (559) 924-9574. Thank you for your consideration of Lemoore's project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Laws", is written over a horizontal line.

Jeff Laws
Chief of Police

June 11, 2010

Congressman Jim Costa
1314 Longworth Building
Washington, DC 20515

Re: State Route 198/19th Avenue Interchange
Letter of Support

Dear Congressman Costa,

The Kings County Economic Development Corporation fully supports and requests your continued support for the construction of an interchange on State Route 198 at 19th Avenue in the City of Lemoore. An interchange at this location will enhance the operation and safety of the route by providing improved access to jobs, housing, and commerce, all of which make this project a valuable use of taxpayer funds.

State Route 198 is a major interregional corridor providing east-west connectivity between Interstate 5 and State Route 99. It is a primary commuter route between Visalia, Hanford, Lemoore and Naval Air Station (NAS) Lemoore. The Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) exceeds 20,000 vehicles in that highway segment. NAS Lemoore is a critical strategic military installation and a major employer in the region. It is the newest and largest of the Navy's master jet bases in the United States and is being considered as a possible site for the Navy's F-35 Joint Strike Fighter Squadrons, which will not only increase the traffic, but will highlight State Route 198 as a route of National Security.

The purpose of this project is to provide route continuity, increase capacity, improve local access to the regional highway system and improve safety within the project limits where accident rates are above the expected levels. It is important to note that Kings County is an economically disadvantaged area with a March 2010 unemployment rate of 18.6%. The interchange will not only create short-term employment during the construction phase, but will also create long-term jobs with improved access and safety to the Lemoore Industrial Park.

If our organization can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact John Lehn, at (559) 585-3536. Thank you for your consideration of Lemoore's project.

Sincerely,


Janet Long
Chairwoman



May 13, 1010

Congressman Jim Costa
1314 Longworth Building
Washington, DC 20515

Re: State Route 198/19th Avenue Interchange
Letter of Support

Dear Congressman Costa,

The Lemoore Chamber of Commerce fully supports and requests your continued support for the construction of an interchange on State Route 198 at 19th Avenue in the City of Lemoore. An interchange at this location will enhance the operation and safety of the route by providing improved access to jobs, housing, and commerce, all of which make this project a valuable use of taxpayer funds.

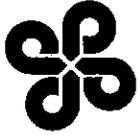
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If the Chamber can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at (559) 924-6401. Thank you for your consideration of Lemoore's project.

Sincerely,

Lynda Lahodny
Chief Executive Officer



Kings County Association of Governments

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March 15, 2010

The Honorable Jim Costa
1314 Longworth Building
Washington, DC 20515

Subject: FFY 2011 Appropriations Request – SR 198 19th Avenue Interchange Letter of Support

Dear Congressman Costa,

The Kings County Association of Governments (KCAG) fully supports the City of Lemoore's request for this project and requests your continued support for the State Route 198 corridor through identification of a FFY 2011 Appropriations request in the amount of \$3,000,000 for the construction of an interchange on SR 198 at 19th Avenue in the City of Lemoore.

The 19th Avenue interchange project is listed in the Kings County Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and the 2007 Regional Transportation Plan. Funding for this project in the amount of \$36,234,000 is programmed in the adopted State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The 19th Avenue Interchange project is a high priority project included in the adopted FTIP, Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), and STIP, public comment periods and public hearings were conducted to consider comments on these documents.

Since the programming of these funds, the project has experienced an increase in cost of at least \$3,000,000. These cost increases are beyond Kings County's ability to pay for them through its regional share of funds through the STIP. Federal transportation funds could be used to fund this increase so that the project could start construction, which could be scheduled to start in FY 2010-11. The project is currently in the right-of-way purchase phase. Although this request represents less than 80% of the total estimated cost of the project, as noted above, other funding sources through the STIP have been identified to fully fund the project.

The 19th Avenue interchange project funding request is based on economic development and improved safety needs. This project will upgrade a segment of expressway to freeway by eliminating two at-grade intersections on State Route 198 by constructing an interchange at 19th Avenue and closing access at Vine Street. This project will provide route continuity, increase capacity, improve local access to the regional highway system, and improve safety within the project limits where accident rates are above the expected levels.

SR 198 is a major east-west corridor across the San Joaquin Valley. It is the only east-west corridor in the central San Joaquin Valley which will be experiencing significant population growth over the next 20 years. Kings County lacks the jobs for its existing civilian labor force and has a current unemployment rate of 18.4%. This project will provide that necessary infrastructure which will have a long lasting benefit for job creation and retention.

SR 198 is designated as a "High Emphasis Focus Route" in the Interregional Improvement Program and provides access to the Lemoore Naval Air Station, important to national defense. Lemoore Naval Air Station is the newest and largest of the Navy's master jet bases in the United States and is being considered as a possible site for the Navy's F-35 Joint Strike Fighter, the latest carrier-landing jet designed to serve the needs of every branch of the military.

SR 198 plays a significant role in the physical, social and economic growth of Lemoore. Considerable efforts are currently in progress to diversify and enhance the city's economic base by promoting industrial development. The portion of the city south of SR 198 has significant potential for industrial development. An industrial park on 310 acres was built in 1990 southeast of SR 198 at 19th Avenue in anticipation of an interchange at 19th Avenue. An interchange at this location would greatly benefit Lemoore by providing direct and convenient access for industrial traffic and contribute towards further industrial and commercial development and job creation in the area.

The interchange at State Route 198 and 19th Avenue is considered to be a project on the State Route and is therefore a project on the National Highway System (NHS) and is an eligible federal-aid highway project. This project is funded through state and local revenues and has received no previous federal funding.

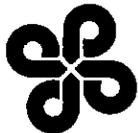
If you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact me by phone at (559) 582-3211, ext. 2678, or by email at Terri.King@co.kings.ca.us. Thank you for your consideration of funding for this worthy project.

Sincerely,

KINGS COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

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Terri King, Executive Director



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April 23, 2009

The Honorable Jim Costa
1314 Longworth Building
Washington, DC 20515

Subject: New Surface Transportation Authorization Legislation High Priority Project Request –
SR 198 19th Ave. Interchange Letter of Support

Dear Congressman Costa,

The Kings County Association of Governments (KCAG) fully supports the City of Lemoore's request for this project and requests your continued support for the State Route 198 corridor through identification of a High Priority Project in the new Federal surface transportation authorization legislation in the amount of \$3,000,000 for the construction of an interchange on SR 198 at 19th Ave. in the City of Lemoore.

The 19th Ave. interchange project is listed in the Kings County Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and the 2007 Regional Transportation Plan. Funding for this project in the amount of \$36,234,000 is programmed in the adopted State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). As a high priority project included in the adopted FTIP, RTP, and STIP, public comment periods and public hearings were conducted to consider comments on these documents.

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Sincerely,

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Terri King, Executive Director