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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

September 16, 2025

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

29 September 16, 2025

*Edward Yen*  
EDWARD YEN  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT  
TRANSPORTATION CORE SERVICE AREA  
ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 4002 FOR HIGHWAYS-THROUGH-CITIES FUNDING  
ADOPT, ADVERTISE, AND AWARD  
PROJECT ID NO. TSM0010459  
PECK ROAD TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYNCHRONIZATION PROGRAM  
HEMLOCK STREET TO WORKMAN MILL ROAD  
IN THE CITIES OF EL MONTE, INDUSTRY, AND SOUTH EL MONTE  
AND IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF WHITTIER  
AND WHITTIER NARROWS  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1 AND 4)  
(4-VOTES)**

### **SUBJECT**

Public Works is seeking Board approval to deliver the Peck Road Traffic Signal Synchronization Program - Hemlock Street to Workman Mill Road project in the Cities of El Monte, Industry, and South El Monte and in the unincorporated communities of Whittier and Whittier Narrows along with approval to adopt Resolution No. 4002 and authorize the Director of Public Works to execute a Funding Cooperative Agreement to include appropriate City of El Monte contributions to the project.

### **IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Find that the proposed project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated in this Board letter and in the record of the project.
2. Adopt Resolution No. 4002 finding that the modification and synchronization of traffic signals in the Cities of El Monte, Industry, and South El Monte and in the unincorporated communities of Whittier

and Whittier Narrows, is of general County interest and that Los Angeles County aid in the form of Highways-Through-Cities funds in the amount of \$2,276,500 shall be provided to the Cities of El Monte, Industry, and South El Monte to be expended in accordance with all applicable provisions of law relating to funds derived from the Proposition C Discretionary Grant Fund and Proposition C Local Return Fund.

3. Approve and authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to sign a Funding Cooperative Agreement between the County of Los Angeles and the City of El Monte to allow the city to contribute its share of funding to the Peck Road Traffic Signal Synchronization Program - Hemlock Street to Workman Mill Road project. The total project cost is currently estimated to be \$3,328,200 with the City of El Monte's share estimated to be \$1,918,100; the City of Industry's share estimated to be \$236,100; the City of South El Monte's share estimated to be \$548,800; and the County of Los Angeles' share estimated to be \$625,200. The Director of Public Works or his designee may execute amendments to the Funding Cooperative Agreement to incorporate necessary programmatic and administrative changes.

4. Approve the proposed project and adopt the plans and specifications that are on file with Public Works' Project Management Division III for the Peck Road Traffic Signal Synchronization Program - Hemlock Street to Workman Mill Road project at an estimated construction contract cost between \$1,400,000 and \$2,200,000.

5. Instruct the Executive Officer of the Board to advertise for bids in accordance with the Instruction Sheet for Publishing Legal Advertisement that are to be received before 11 a.m. on October 14, 2025, in accordance with the Notice Inviting Bids.

6. Find pursuant to California Public Contract Code, Section 3400 (c) (2), that it is necessary to specify designated items by specific brand name in order to match other products already in use on a particular public improvement either completed or in the course of completion.

7. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to determine whether the bid of the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest apparent responsive bid is, in fact, responsive and, if not responsive, to determine which apparent responsible contractor submitted the lowest apparent responsive bid.

8. Delegate authority to the Director of Public Works or his designee to award and execute a construction contract for the Peck Road Traffic Signal Synchronization Program - Hemlock Street to Workman Mill Road project to the apparent responsible contractor with the lowest apparent responsive bid within or less than the estimated cost range of \$1,400,000 and \$2,200,000 or that exceeds the estimated cost by no more than 15 percent, if additional and appropriate funds have been identified.

9. Delegate to the Director of Public Works or his designee the following authority in connection with this contract: (a) extend the date and time for the receipt of bids consistent with the requirements of California Public Contract Code, Section 4104.5; (b) allow substitution of subcontractors and relief of bidders upon demonstration of the grounds set forth in California Public Contract Code, Sections 4100 et seq. and 5100 et seq., respectively; (c) approve and execute change orders within the same monetary limits delegated to the Director of Public Works or his designee under California Public Contract Code, Section 20395; (d) accept the project upon its final completion; and (e) release retention money withheld consistent with the requirements of California Public Contract Code, Sections 7107 and 9203.

## **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended actions is to find that the proposed project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); adopt a resolution that the project is of general County interest and that aid in the form of Highways-Through-Cities (HTC) funds in the amount of \$2,276,500 shall be provided to the Cities of El Monte, Industry, and South El Monte; authorize Public Works to execute a Funding Cooperative Agreement between the County of Los Angeles and the City of El Monte; and allow Public Works to construct the Peck Road Traffic Signal Synchronization Program – Hemlock Street to Workman Mill Road project in the Cities of El Monte, Industry, and South El Monte and in the unincorporated communities of Whittier and Whittier Narrows (see Enclosure A).

The proposed project includes upgrading traffic signal equipment, pedestrian enhancements, and various other intersection safety improvements along the corridor. The proposed project will modify and synchronize traffic signals on Peck Road between Hemlock Street and Workman Mill Road, thereby enhancing traffic flow, reducing congestion, and improving safety for the traveling public.

The HTC Program is a County program that was initiated to assist cities in developing a fully coordinated arterial system throughout the County recognizing that many small cities do not have the funds to complete their portion of the County's Highway Plan. Under the HTC Program, cities receive assistance for the construction of specific highway projects. The HTC funds are allocated on a case by-case basis at the discretion of the Supervisor in whose supervisorial district the project is located.

Board adoption of Resolution No. 4002 approves County's contribution of HTC funds in the amount of \$2,276,500 to finance a portion of the Cities of El Monte, Industry, and South El Monte's jurisdictional shares of the project cost (see Enclosure B).

Sections 1680-1684 of the California Streets and Highways Code provide that the board of supervisors of any County may, by a Resolution adopted by a four-fifths vote of its members, determine that certain types of road improvements are of general County interest and that County aid shall be extended therefor.

The Funding Cooperative Agreement between the County of Los Angeles and the City of El Monte is needed to design and construct traffic signal improvements along Peck Road between Hemlock Street to Workman Mill Road. The County of Los Angeles will handle the preliminary engineering and oversee the construction of the proposed project. Under the Cooperative Agreement, both the City and the County will finance their respective jurisdictional shares of the project cost. The City's and County's actual costs will be based upon a final accounting after completion of the project. Authorizing the Director of Public Works or his designee to execute the Funding Cooperative Agreement will expedite project delivery. The agreement will be approved as to form by County Counsel before execution.

City Service Requests for the Cities of Industry and South El Monte provide for the County of Los Angeles to perform the preliminary engineering and administer construction of the project. Under the City Service Request, both the Cities' and the County will finance their respective jurisdictional shares of the project cost. The Cities' and County's actual costs will be based upon a final accounting after completion of the project.

It is anticipated the work will start in June 2026 and be completed in January 2028.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

These recommendations support the County Strategic Plan: North Star 3, Realize Tomorrow's Government Today, Focus Area Goal F, Flexible and Efficient Infrastructure, Strategy ii, Modernize Infrastructure, by replacing and improving public infrastructure assets that support the quality of life of County residents.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated construction contract cost to complete this proposed project is in the range of \$1,400,000 to \$2,200,000 with a maximum construction contract cost to be within 15 percent of this range. The total project cost is estimated to be \$3,328,200. In addition to the construction contract cost, the total project cost includes the preparation of plans and specifications, consultant services, survey, right-of-way and utility clearances, inspection, contract administration, change order contingency, and other County services.

The proposed project is located in the Cities of El Monte, Industry, and South El Monte. A City-County cooperative agreement with the City of El Monte will provide for the County to perform the preliminary engineering and administer the construction of the project with the City of El Monte to finance a portion of its jurisdictional share of the project cost, estimated to be \$300,500. The Cities of Industry and South El Monte would finance portions of their jurisdictional shares of the project cost estimated to be \$39,800 and \$86,200, respectively, under a City Service Request.

The proposed project is financed with \$2,640,000 in grant funds received from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority 2009 Call for Projects, Proposition C Discretionary Grant Fund for the Gateway Cities Forum Traffic Signal Corridors Project Phase VI, and \$261,700 in County Proposition C Local Return Fund.

The \$2,276,500 in HTC funds consists of Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds and Proposition C Local Return funds.

The Cities of El Monte, Industry, and South El Monte's jurisdictional shares of the County HTC contribution from Proposition C Discretionary Grant funds are \$1,460,200, \$193,800, and \$419,000, respectively. The Board has established a \$2,500,000 top-of-pot annual allocation from the Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget from Countywide Traffic Congestion Management Program. The \$261,700 in County Proposition C Local Return Funds will be funded from this top-of-pot allocation, of which \$157,400, \$2,500, and \$43,600 will be used for the Cities of El Monte, Industry, and South El Monte's respective shares in HTC funds, and \$58,200 for the County's share of Proposition C Local Return funds.

Funding for the proposed project is available in the Proposition C Local Return Fund (CN9–Capital Assets-Infrastructure and Services and Supplies) Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

This project will be advertised in accordance with Section 20392 of the California Public Contract Code.

California Public Contract Code, Section 3400, allows a product to be designated by specific brand name for several purposes, one of which is to match other products in use on a particular public improvement either completed or in the course of completion, if the awarding authority makes a finding and language is included in the Notice Inviting Bids. The Notice Inviting Bids includes language describing this finding.

A list of specific brand names and qualified purposes in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, Section 3400, is provided in Enclosure C.

The contract award will comply with applicable Federal and State requirements and Board policies and mandates. The contract documents will require the contractor to comply with these same requirements, policies, and mandates. The construction contract will be in the form previously reviewed and approved by County Counsel.

As required by Board Policy No. 5.140, information, such as defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractors State License Board, labor violations, and debarment actions will be considered before a contract is awarded.

Documents related to the award of this proposed contract will be available at Los Angeles County Public Works, Project Management Division III, 900 South Fremont Avenue, 8th Floor, Alhambra, CA 91803.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The proposed traffic signal synchronization project is exempt from CEQA. The project to improve traffic signal operations, with no expansion in use, is within a class of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and which meets the criteria set forth in Section 15301 (c) and (g) and 15302 (c) of the CEQA Guidelines, and Class 1 (k) and (x), Subsections 4, 7, 14, and 22; and Class 2 (e) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, apply to operation, minor alteration, and reconstruction of existing facilities, modification of an existing traffic signal system and related maintenance and upgrades. In addition, based on the proposed project records, it will comply with all applicable regulations, and there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, damage to scenic highways, listing on hazardous waste site lists compiled pursuant to Government Code, Section 65962.5, or indications that it may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource that would make the exemption inapplicable.

## **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

In accordance with the Board's consolidated Local and Targeted Worker Hire Policy, the contract documents will require that at least 30 percent of the total California craft worker hours for construction of the project be performed by Local Residents and at least 10 percent be performed by Targeted Workers facing employment barriers.

To increase contractor awareness of Public Works' program to contract work out to the private sector, this project will be listed on both the County's "Doing Business with Los Angeles County" and "Do Business with Public Works" websites for open bids:

<https://lacounty.gov/business/doing-business-with-la-county/>

<http://pw.lacounty.gov/general/contracts/opportunities>

Additionally, the contract solicitation will be advertised through web-based and social media platforms.

In order to increase opportunities for small businesses, Public Works will be offering preference to Local Small Business Enterprises in compliance with Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.204.

**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Minor impacts to adjacent residents, businesses, and motorists may occur while the project is underway. The community engagement process will consist of distributing flyers near the work areas prior to and during construction. When the project is completed, it will have a positive impact by enhancing traffic flow, reducing congestion, and improving safety for the traveling public.

**CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this Board letter and signed resolution to Public Works, Project Management Division III.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Pestrella". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mark" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Pestrella".

MARK PESTRELLA, PE

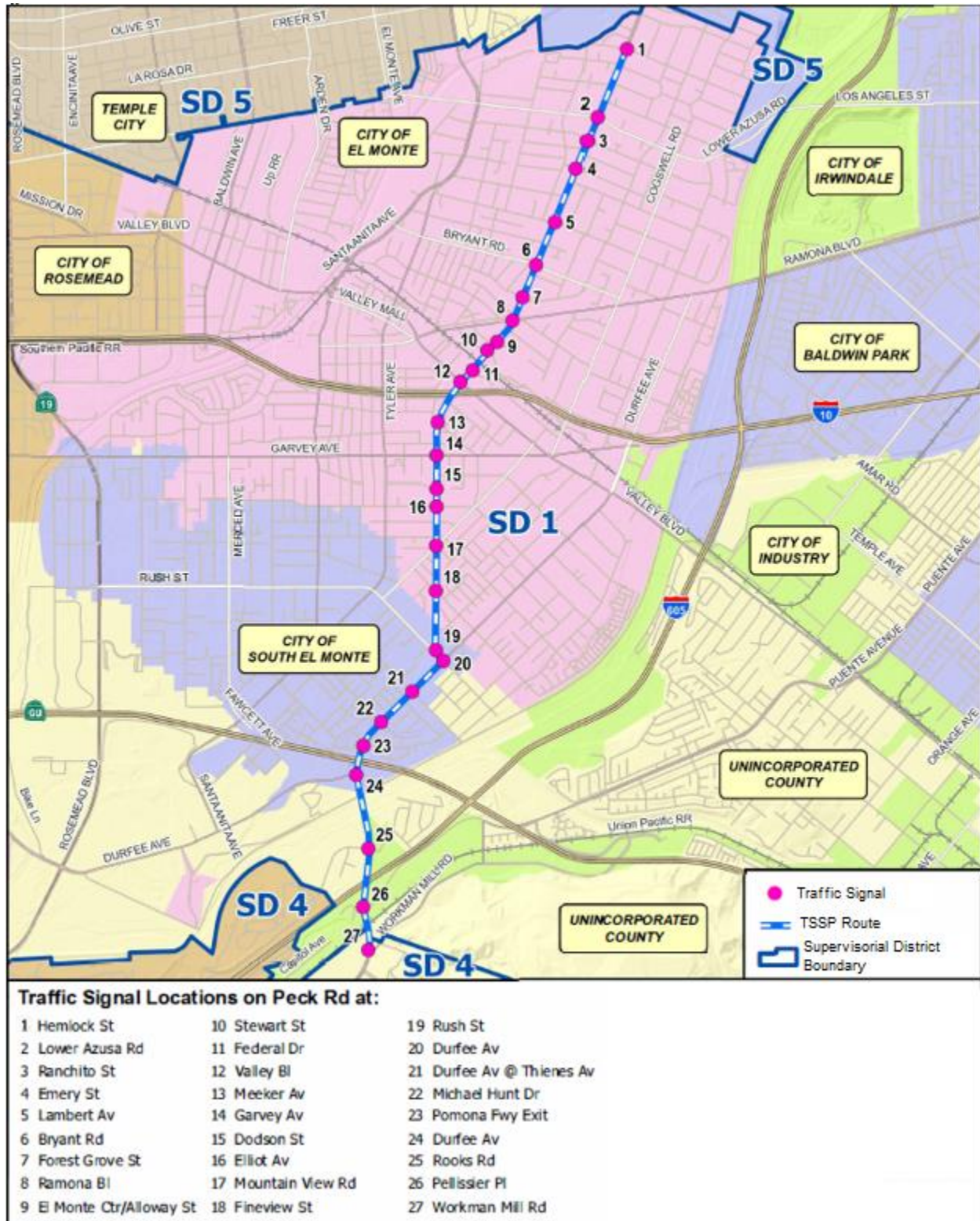
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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Christine Frias)  
County Counsel  
Executive Office, Board of Supervisors  
Internal Services (Countywide Contract  
Compliance)

**PECK ROAD TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYNCHRONIZATION PROGRAM  
HEMLOCK STREET TO WORKMAN MILL ROAD  
PROJECT ID NO. TSM0010459**



**RESOLUTION NO. 4002 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO EXTEND COUNTY AID TO THE  
CITIES OF EL MONTE, INDUSTRY, AND SOUTH EL MONTE  
FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL  
SYNCHRONIZATION IMPROVEMENTS**

WHEREAS, the CITIES OF INDUSTRY, EL MONTE, AND SOUTH EL MONTE, (hereinafter referred to as CITIES and the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, hereinafter referred to as COUNTY), desire to modify and synchronize the traffic signals along Peck Road TSSP – Hemlock Street to Workman Mill Road, which work is (hereinafter referred to as TSSP); and

WHEREAS, portions of TSSP are located and will be utilized within the jurisdictional limits of CITIES and COUNTY; and

WHEREAS, TSSP is of general interest to CITIES and COUNTY; and

WHEREAS, CITIES shares of the total cost of TSSP is currently estimated to be two million seven hundred three thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,703,000.00); and

WHEREAS, COUNTY AND CITIES previously executed or will execute cooperative agreements which outline the roles and responsibilities associated with the TSSP; and

WHEREAS, the CITIES shares of the TSSP cost will be financed with two million seventy-three thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,073,000.00) in Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (METRO) 2009 Call for Projects grant funds administered by the COUNTY for the San Gabriel Valley Forum Traffic Signal Corridors Project and two hundred three thousand five hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$203,500.00) in local matching funds and four hundred twenty-six thousand five hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$426,500.00) in City funds; and

WHEREAS, on an annual basis, a Two Million Five Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) Top-of-Pot (TOP) allocation from the Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget has been established for COUNTY'S Traffic Congestion Management Program; and

WHEREAS, the local share of the cost of TSSP will be funded from this Top-of-Pot allocation; and

WHEREAS, TSSP is consistent with the scope of work for traffic improvements within CITIES pursuant to Memorandum of Understanding Number P00F7307 between COUNTY and METRO; and

**ENCLOSURE B**

September 16, 2025

WHEREAS, such a proposal is authorized and provided for by the provisions of Sections 1680-1684 of the California Streets and Highways Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved as follows:

SECTION 1. The TSSP is of general COUNTY interest and County-aid shall be extended therefor.

SECTION 2. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, COUNTY consents, pursuant to the provisions of Streets and Highways Code, Sections 1680-1684, to extend aid to CITIES in the amount of two million two hundred seventy-six thousand five hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,276,500.00) for TSSP from the Proposition C Discretionary Grant Fund and Proposition C Local Return Fund, to be expended in accordance with all applicable provisions of law relating to funds derived from the Proposition C local sales tax.

SECTION 3. The financial obligations of the COUNTY are expressly conditioned upon obtaining reimbursement from METRO pursuant to Memorandum of Understanding Number P00F3308 between COUNTY and METRO.

SECTION 4. If any provision of this resolution is held or declared to be invalid, the resolution shall be void and the consent granted hereunder shall lapse.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted on the 16th day of September, 2025 by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex-officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies, and authorities for which said Board so acts.



EDWARD YEN  
Executive Officer of the  
Board of Supervisors of  
the County of Los Angeles

By  \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DAWYN R. HARRISON  
County Counsel

By Katherine Hardy  
Deputy

**PROJECT NAME: PECK ROAD TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYNCHRONIZATION PROGRAM  
HEMLOCK STREET TO WORKMAN MILL ROAD**

**PROJECT ID NO.: TSM0010459**

**List of specific brand names in accordance with State Public Contract Code Section 3400:**

Item/Category	Manufacturer	Model	Public Contract Code 3400 Justification*	Detailed Justification
Traffic Signal Controller Software	Fourth Dimension Traffic	D4 Firmware (Version 1.5L-39)	(C)(2)	D4 firmware in the 2070 Advanced Traffic Controller is necessary to maintain compatibility with the current traffic control system used in Public Works' Traffic Management Center.
Traffic Signal Controller Software	SWARCO	2033 Intersection Control Software	(C)(2)	2033 Intersection Control Software is necessary to maintain compatibility with the existing traffic signal controller.
Traffic Signal Controller Software	SWARCO	McCAIN OMNI eX	(C)(2)	McCAIN OMNI eX firmware in the 2070 Advance Traffic Controller is necessary to maintain compatibility with the existing traffic signal cabinet system.

\*(1) In order that a field test or experiment may be made to determine the product's suitability for future use. (2) In order to match other products in use on a particular public improvement either completed or in the course of completion. (3) In order to obtain a necessary item that is only available from one source. (4) (a) In order to respond to an emergency declared by a local agency, but only if the declaration is approved by a four-fifths vote of the governing board of the local agency issuing the Invitation for Bid or Request for Proposals; and (b) In order to respond to an emergency declared by the State, a State agency, or political subdivision of the State, but only if the facts setting forth the reasons for the finding of the emergency are contained in the public records of the authority issuing the Invitation for Bid or Request for Proposals.