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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT



SPONSOR: Begaye DATE TYPED: 02/04/02 HB HJM 73

SHORT TITLE: Construct Bridge Over San Juan River SB _____

ANALYST: Valdes

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY02	FY03	FY02	FY03		
		\$0.1	See Narrative	Non-Recurring	State Road Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

State Highway and Transportation Department (SHTD)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Joint Memorial 73 requests the State Highway and Transportation Department (SHTD) design and construct a bridge over the San Juan River connecting the San Juan Chapter Community of the Navajo Nation to the United States Highway 64 (US 64) at Hogback.

Significant Issues

An initial corridor study report for this project was completed in August 1999 in a cooperative effort between SHTD, San Juan County, the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Navajo Nation. The study identified several possible alignments with estimated costs ranging from \$8 to \$12 million depending on the alternate chosen. The project is not presently in the department's Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The department is experiencing budget constraints with state road fund revenue projections flat and large declines expected in federal revenues, based on the proposed federal budget for fiscal year

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2003 released by President Bush. Any funding proposed for new projects would require a diversion of an equivalent amount of funding from existing highway projects or new revenue sources would have to be identified.

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