

Legislation Text

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REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO AND RECORD OF ACTION

January 5, 2021

<u>FROM</u> BRENDON BIGGS, Director, Department of Public Works - Transportation

<u>SUBJECT</u>

California Environmental Quality Act Finding for the El Evado Road and Other Roads Project in the Victorville Area

RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 1. Find that the El Evado Road and other roads project in the Victorville area (Project) is exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act, Class 1, Section 15301(c) (existing facilities) and Class 2, Section 15302 (replacement or reconstruction).
- 2. Approve Project as defined in the Notice of Exemption and direct the Clerk of the Board to file and post the Notice of Exemption.

(Presenter: Brendon Biggs, Director, 387-7906)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Ensure Development of a Well-Planned, Balanced, and Sustainable County. Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approval of this item will not result in the use of Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). The Department of Public Works (Department) is funded by Gas Tax revenue, fees and other state and local funding. The requested actions are administrative in nature with minimal financial impact. Sufficient appropriation is included in the 2020-21 Road Operations budget (6650002000 34H15071).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Project involves milling the existing pavement and overlaying the roadway with new asphalt concrete on El Evado Road from La Brisa Road to Anacapa Road. Other improvements include: (1) construction of new curb ramps with sidewalk replacement and curb and gutter at various locations on El Evado Road, in accordance with current design standards and pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA); (2) pavement overlay on Dos Palmas Road from Pacoima Road to Borego Road; and (3) pavement overlay on Del Gado Road from La Brisa Road to Anacapa Road. All work for the Project will be done within the existing right-of-way.

The Department's Environmental staff reviewed this Project and determined that a categorical exemption in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, Class 1, Section 15301 (c) and Class 2, Section 15302 is appropriate. The Class 1 exemption

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allows for repair and maintenance activities on existing roads, sidewalks, gutters, and similar facilities that involve negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. The Class 2 exemption allows for the replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced. When the Board of Supervisors (Board) considers the environmental finding, the filing and posting of a Notice of Exemption is recommended.

This Project aligns with the County and Chief Executive Officer's goals and objectives of ensuring development of a well-planned, balanced and sustainable County and providing for the safety of County residents by preserving and improving the structural integrity of existing road surfaces, improving access for all pedestrians and removing architectural barriers for those with mobility access.

PROCUREMENT

The Department anticipates bringing the Project's plans and specifications, as well as a recommendation to advertise for competitive bids to the Board for consideration in February 2021, with the bid opening in March 2021, and the award of contract in April 2021.

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Suzanne Bryant, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on December 4, 2020; Finance (Carolina Mendoza, Administrative Analyst, 387-0294) on December 7, 2020; and County Finance and Administration (Matthew Erickson, County Chief Financial Officer, 387-5423) on December 14, 2020.