



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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Department Name: Public Works  
Department No.: 054  
For Agenda Of: June 15, 2010  
Placement: Administrative  
Estimated Tme:  
Continued Item: No  
If Yes, date from:  
Vote Required: Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Department Director Scott D. McGolpin, Public Works Director, 568-3010  
Contact Info: Dacé Morgan, Deputy Director-Transportation, 568-3064  
**SUBJECT:** Amend South Coast Measure A Program of Projects for FY 2010/11; First, Second and Third Supervisorial Districts

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: N/A

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: N/A

**Other Concurrence:**

As to form: N/A

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

Amend the South Coast Measure A Five-Year Local Program of Projects for Fiscal Years 2010/11 through 2015/2016, for submittal to the Santa Barbara County Local Transportation Authority for acceptance.

**Summary Text:**

On April 12, 2010, the Public Works Department received a request from Easy Lift to consider the continuation of Santa Barbara County's local contribution to their operations that began under Measure D. Staff has worked with Easy Lift to determine the level of funding that the County could reasonably contribute from Measure A on an annual basis.

As the Board is aware, Measure A is different from Measure D, one of the major differences being the amount of funding that our local streets and roads will receive over the next 30 years. Under Measure D, local agencies received 70% of the total amount of revenue collected on an annual basis. Under Measure A however, local agencies, including the County, will receive only 52% of the total revenues allocated to the south coast – a reduction of 18% in the County's annual south coast revenues, with no reduction in our maintenance responsibilities.

Under Measure D, the County's annual contribution to Easy Lift was \$63,000. Public Works has worked with Easy Lift and has offered to continue our local contribution from Measure D at an 18% reduction, due to the overall decrease in funds that the County will receive throughout the life of Measure A. Easy Lift staff has spoken with their Board regarding the County's proposal and the Board is in agreement with the recommendation of a reduced commitment. Therefore, Public Works recommends that the Board amend the County's Measure A Program of Projects for the south coast, to include a \$51,660 annual contribution to Easy Lift. If approved, this annual contribution will result in a reduction of funding that would have otherwise been allocated to our Pavement Preservation Program.

**Background:**

During the development of the Measure A Investment Plan, it was staff's understanding that Easy Lift would receive a direct allocation through the Regional Measure A program, similar to MTD's direct allocation. The County assumed that this amount would be adequate to meet Easy Lift's needs in the future. Based on the information that Easy Lift has recently provided, the Department realizes that the amount of funding that Easy Lift will receive from the Regional program is not sufficient. However, Easy Lift will also be receiving funding from the south coast cities, which, combined with the funds from the Regional portion of Measure A, means that Easy Lift will actually be receiving almost 10% more funding than it has in the past two fiscal years from Measure D. Easy Lift's funding increase comes at a time when the County and the cities are receiving less Measure A revenues than we received with Measure D. In addition to the reduction of overall Measure A revenues, the County and cities have had to, for now, relinquish our programmatic STIP and RSTP funding for the next 30 years in order to fund the Hwy 101 Widening, and other named projects contained in the Measure A investment plans. If this funding is not restored soon, there will be significant impacts to our local roads. An explanation of why the loss of these programmatic funding sources will have such a dramatic affect on our local streets and roads is illustrated in Attachment 2.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: No

Narrative:

If this amendment is approved, the Department will approach the Board at a later date with a budget revision to reduce funding to our Pavement Preservation Program. Staff will work with the First, Second and Third Supervisorial Districts on this reduction to their individual Pavement Preservation Programs for FY 2010/11.

**Staffing Impacts:**

**Legal Positions:**

**FTEs:**

**Special Instructions:**

Please return a certified stamped Minute Order to the attention of Gena Valentine Felix, Public Works Transportation Division.

**Attachments:**

1. Amended South Coast Measure A Program of Projects for FY2010/11
2. Illustration of Impacts of the loss of RSTP and STIP on our Local Streets and Roads
3. Easy Lift Letter of Support dated May 21, 2010

**Authored by:**

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