



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Planning & Development
Department No.: 053
For Agenda Of: June 19, 2018
Placement: Set Hearing
Estimated Time: 1 hour on 07/03/2018
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Director Dianne M. Black, Director, Planning and Development
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Contact Info: Jeff Wilson, Deputy Director, Development Review Division
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SUBJECT: Consider the Highway 101: Carpinteria to Santa Barbara Local Coastal Program
Amendment (Case Nos. 17GPA-00000-00003 and 18ORD-00000-00004), First
Supervisory District

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence: N/A

Recommended Actions:

On June 19, 2018, set a hearing for July 3, 2018 to consider the recommendations of the County Planning Commission regarding Case Nos. 17GPA-00000-00003 and 18ORD-00000-00004, which would amend the County's certified Local Coastal Program.

On July 3, 2018, your Board's action should include the following:

- a. Make the findings for approval of the Santa Barbara County Local Coastal Program Amendment including CEQA findings;
- b. Determine that the Santa Barbara County Local Coastal Program Amendment is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15265 of the Guidelines for Implementation of CEQA;
- c. Adopt a Resolution amending the Coastal Land Use Plan (Case No. 17GPA-00000-00003) by adding and modifying wetland protection and recreation policies; and,
- d. Adopt an Ordinance (Case No. 18ORD-00000-00004) amending Article II, the Santa Barbara County Coastal Zoning Ordinance, of Chapter 35, Zoning, of the County Code to establish a Transportation Corridor Wetland Overlay District.

Summary Text:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the County of Santa Barbara are proposing a series of transportation improvements along or near the Highway 101 corridor in Santa Barbara County, including the Highway 101: Carpinteria to Santa Barbara project, Santa Claus Lane Bikeway project, and the Santa Claus Lane Beach Access and Streetscape Improvements project. These public projects would encroach into delineated wetlands or wetland buffer strips between Post Mile 4.59 and Post Mile 7.35. This Local Coastal Program (LCP) Amendment would address anticipated conflicts with Coastal Land Use Plan (CLUP) Policy 9-9, which currently requires that new development be set back a minimum of 100 feet from wetlands. As a result, this LCP Amendment would facilitate permitting for these projects by providing a package of public access and recreation projects that offset wetland and wetland buffer strip impacts and that are, on balance, most protective of coastal resources.

This item is on the agenda in order to set a hearing for July 3, 2018 to take action on the above listed recommendations. A more detailed Board Letter with all necessary attachments will be prepared and provided prior to the July 3, 2018 hearing.

Special Instructions:

- A. Planning and Development staff will fulfill noticing requirements.
- B. The Clerk of the Board shall provide a copy of the executed Resolution and Ordinance amendment and Board Minute Order to the Planning and Development Department, attention David Villalobos.

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