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To: County Board of Supervisors

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Subject: Request for Withdrawal – Award of Contract for the Habitat Mitigation and Monitoring for Foothill Road Low Water Crossing Bridge Replacement Over the Cuyama River, Bridge NO. 51C-0381, FEDERAL-AID NO. BRLO-5951(184), County Project No. 862438; First Supervisorial District

The Public Works Department requests to withdraw Administrative Item 21 scheduled for October 7, 2025, for the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara to approve plans, award, and execute a contract with Quincon Inc. for the Habitat Mitigation and Monitoring for Foothill Road Low Water Crossing Bridge Replacement project. Due to the DBE Interim Final Rule (IFR) published to 49 CFR 26 effective Friday October 3, 2025, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal setting on federally funded contracts is paused, including on projects ready to be awarded. As per the IFR, goal setting will remain paused until all DBE's can be re-certified under the new DBE-Conscious certification requirements (without the disadvantaged presumption based on race and gender). Staff is working to amend the contract and bring it to the Board at a later date.

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