



Cars Are BasicTM

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To: Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors

Subject: Item A-26 14 Nov. 2017 Agenda

As the Board of Supervisors knows Cars Are Basic, Inc.TM (CAB) has commented on the proposed San Ysidro and Olive Mill intersection changes.

CAB reminds the Board that we filed a letter of complaint with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) concerning the expenditure of federal taxpayer money on the intersection projects of San Ysidro/ Highway 101 and Olive Mill/ Coast Village Road. CAB also wishes to remind the contractor named in item A-26 of the letter of complaint, and that the contractor has been warned that federal funding may be pulled for the project, potentially causing the contractor to incur a financial loss.

At this time, the expenditure of federal taxpayer dollars on any disputed project in Santa Barbara County would, directly or indirectly, result in the reduction of federal taxpayer dollars available for infrastructure projects in hurricane damaged areas of Texas, Florida and Puerto Rico.

The City of Santa Barbara just approved a 1% sales tax that can pay for the 101-widening project effecting all intersections within the city limits if they have the will. The State of California recent gasoline tax of a minimum of \$.12 Cents per gallon can pay for the entire widening project if the County strongly demands the proposed \$100 Million plus siphoning of this tax, for bike paths, is directly spent for highway and road infrastructure as promised by Gov. Brown and Lt. Gov. Newsom.

Your attention to this is appreciated.

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