



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:** July 14, 2020  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Time:**  
**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 Department, 568-3010  
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**SUBJECT:** Floradale Ave Bridge No. 51C-0370 over Santa Ynez River, Local Bridge Seismic Retrofit Program, Project Delivery Agreement; County Project 862032; Federal Project BRLSZD-5951 (060); 3<sup>rd</sup> Supervisorial District

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: N/A

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the attached agreement with the State of California, Department of Transportation for the Local Bridge Seismic Retrofit Program Project Delivery of Floradale Avenue Bridge No. 51C-0370 (Replacing Existing Bridge No. 51C-006); and
- b) Consider the environmental effects of the project as shown in the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration (18NGD-00000-00003) dated September 28, 2018, adopted by the County of Santa Barbara on December 4, 2018, and find that pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines §15162, no substantial changes are proposed, and there are no substantial changes in circumstances or new information of substantial importance regarding significant impacts or feasibility of mitigation measures and alternative, and therefore approval of the Recommended Actions are within the scope of the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration (18NGD-00000-00003).

**Summary Text:**

This item is on the agenda to execute a Project Delivery Agreement with the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans), in order to continue funding of the preliminary engineering and right of way phases and to secure construction funds for the Floradale Avenue Bridge No. 51C-0370 (Replacing Existing Bridge No. 51C-0006) Project. The California Transportation Commission established the Proposition 1B Local Bridge Seismic Retrofit Account Guidelines for delivery of outstanding projects in the program. In January 2019, the guidelines were amended to require Project Delivery Agreements for

local agencies that have not completed construction on their projects. Project Delivery Agreements require local agencies to submit reports to Caltrans on a semi-annual basis, detailing the activities and progress made toward moving projects to the construction phase. Agencies that do not comply with these requirements will be ineligible to receive Federal Highway Bridge Program funds.

The Floradale Ave Bridge No 51C-0370 Project is in the engineering design and right-of-way coordination activities phase, and is preparing final design of the project plans, specifications and estimate (PSE) in order to advertise the project for construction bids. The project has completed acquisition of right of way from private owners in 2019, and has received a construction permit from the Federal government that will allow for construction of the project. Due to Covid-19 self-isolation policies in Washington, D.C., the Federal government has not been able to execute the right of way acquisition for acceptance by the County. The current schedule is to request construction authorization from Caltrans and Federal Highways Administration (FHWA) in September of 2020, and advertise the project in October or November of 2020 in order to begin construction in Spring 2021. The project will have a 2-year construction period, with parallel construction of new bridge structure while maintaining traffic on the existing structure. Once new bridge structure is complete and traffic is able to utilize, the existing bridge structure will be demolished.

**Background:**

The initial Local Bridge Seismic Retrofit Program was established in 1989, and identified 1,235 local bridges in need of seismic retrofit. As of June 30, 2019, there are 60 bridges remaining on the Local Bridge Seismic Retrofit Program project list with 16 of these bridges currently in construction. The purpose of these amended guidelines is to revise the existing Proposition 1B Local Bridge Seismic Retrofit Account Guidelines to incorporate new project delivery requirements and provide guidance to the local agencies carrying out their respective responsibilities.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes

**Narrative:**

Approval of the Local Bridge Seismic Retrofit Program Project Delivery Agreement will allow the County to continue to receive funds from the Federal Highway Bridge Program in order to construct the project, as well as continued funding for preliminary engineering and right of way phases of project development.

**Special Instructions:**

Please return both executed agreements with a certified stamped minute order to Public Works, Transportation Division, 123 E. Anapamu St., Attn: Gail Ocheltree. Once the agreement has been fully executed by the state, an original copy will be returned to the Clerk's Office for your records.

Local Bridge Seismic Retrofit Program Project Delivery Agreement for the Floradale Avenue Bridge No. 51C-0370  
(Replacing Existing Bridge No. 51C-006)  
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**Attachments:**

Attachment A: Local Bridge Seismic Retrofit Program Project Delivery Agreement between the State of California and the County of Santa Barbara for funding of Floradale Avenue Bridge No. 51C-0370 (Replacing existing Bridge No. 51C-006); County Project No. 862032; Federal Project No. BRLSZD 5951(060) (2 duplicate originals).

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