

County of Santa Barbara BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Minute Order

May 14, 2024

Present: 5 - Supervisor Williams, Supervisor Capps, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

File Reference No. 24-00476

RE: Consider recommendations regarding the Public Works Director's Report on Emergency Response Actions from Impacts of Flooding and Storms and Continuation of Emergency Actions, as follows: (4/5 Vote Required)

a) Receive and review a report from the Public Works Director regarding emergency actions taken pursuant to Resolution No. 19-327 and Public Contract Code Section 22050 related to emergency operations responding to flooding, storms, debris removal and transportation projects following the recent 2023 and 2024 storm events (23STM1, 23STM2, 24STM1, 24STM2) and Refugio culvert repairs and the necessity of the action and the reasons the emergency will not permit delay resulting from competitive solicitation of bids;

b) Determine that there is a need to continue the emergency actions ordered by the Public Works Director (4/5 vote required);

c) Direct staff to return to the Board at the next regular meeting, or every 14 days in the case of consecutive weekly regular meetings, to allow the Board to review the emergency action and determine whether there is a need to continue the emergency action, by a 4/5 vote, until the actions are terminated;

d) Determine that the 2023 winter storms (23STM1 and 23STM2) emergency actions were found by the Board to be exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(d) on February 7, 2023. A Notice of Exemption was filed on this basis on February 7, 2023, and the proposed action is within the scope of that Notice of Exemption;

e) Determine that the 2024 winter storm (24STM1 and 24STM2) emergency actions were found by the Board to be exempt from the provisions of the CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15269(d) on February 27, 2024. A Notice of Exemption was filed on this basis on February 27, 2024, and the proposed action is within the scope of that Notice of Exemption; and

f) Determine that the Refugio Rd. culvert repair emergency actions are statutorily exempt under CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15269, as they involve specific actions to prevent and mitigate an emergency associated with a failed culvert threatening public road infrastructure, and direct the staff to file a Notice of Exemption with the Clerk of the Board of



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Supervisors on that basis.

A motion was made by Supervisor Hartmann, seconded by Supervisor Williams, that this matter be acted on as follows:

- a) Received and reviewed;
- b) Approved;
- c) Directed; and
- d) through f) Approved.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Williams, Supervisor Capps, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino