

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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TO: Board of Directors
Laguna County Sanitation District

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SUBJECT: Acceptance of Permanent and Temporary Easements for the Dutard-Solomon Trunk Sewer Line (DURSOL) - Fourth and Fifth Supervisorial Districts

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Directors:

- A. Accept the Easement Deeds by authorizing the Clerk of the Board to sign the Certificate of Acceptance attached to the original Easement Deeds for the real property conveyed to the Laguna County Sanitation District by the following property owners:

John and Michelle L. Vandermuelen (APN 105-010-033)

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation(s) are primarily aligned with Goal No. 2: A safe and healthy community in which to live, work and visit.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

The Dutard-Soloman trunk sewer line project involves the construction of a new trunk line from the westerly end of old town Orcutt to the Laguna County Sanitation District wastewater treatment plant located at the

westerly terminus of Dutard Road. The project has been identified as a capital improvement since 1959 when the plant was built and was intended to replace the lift station located near the intersection of Blosser Road and Clark Avenue when it met its useful life. The lift station is subject to repairs and now operates at full capacity. A second smaller and temporary lift station serving the Wes Trails development will also be removed. The project was included in the Orcutt Community Plan EIR dated December 1995 and approved by the Board July 22, 1997 (Clerk of the Board file No. 20,536).

The Board adopted the Mitigated Negative Declaration and authorized the District to initiate right-of-way acquisition for the project on June 20, 2000. In all, easements were required on fifteen parcels. Five easements have been acquired through eminent domain action per Resolutions of Necessity adopted by the Board on February 6, 2001. Real property purchase contracts and escrow instructions were negotiated with the other ten property owners and were executed by the Board on March 23, 2001 and May 24, 2001. Four of the ten easement deeds were accepted by the Board on September 11, 2001. The Board accepted four additional easement deeds on September 18, 2001.

Acceptance of these easement deeds will provide for the close of escrow, recordation of the deeds and allow for compensation to be made on the easement acquisition listed above. This action will leave one property remaining, which is in escrow and awaiting owner's signatures on the easement deeds. Deed acceptance by the Board for this last acquisition will be requested in the near future.

This project is included in the Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan 1997/2002 CIP B-65).

Mandates and Service Levels:

There are no changes to service levels with this action.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Purchase of the easements will cost the District \$2,815. Of this amount \$2,000 will constitute the purchase price to be paid to the property owners, and approximately \$815 will pay for costs such as title insurance, escrow closing fees and other miscellaneous expenses. On February 8, 1994, your board adopted Ordinance No. 4142 that established charges for future trunk sewer connections. Funding is available in Department 054, Fund 2870 and Account 8200 for Real Property services as well as for the project.

Special Instructions:

Upon Board action, please distribute as follows:

1. Original deeds: Facilities Services, attn: Scott Dickinson
2. Minute Order: Facilities Services, attn: Scott Dickinson
3. Minute Order: Public Works Department, Laguna County Sanitation District, attn. Sheila Engellenner

After the deeds are recorded, copies will be forwarded to the Clerk of the Board.

Concurrence:

Subject: Easement Deeds for the Dutard-Solomon Trunk Sewer Line (DURSOL)
Agenda Date: March 26, 2002
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General Services, County Counsel