

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: April 14, 2015

Placement: Administrative

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Director: Scott D. McGolpin, Public Works Director, 568-3010

Contact Info: Chris Sneddon, Deputy Public Works Director, 568-3064

SUBJECT: Federal Land Access Grant Program, County Projects Nos. 810545 and 810546

First and Second Supervisorial Districts

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence:

As to form: N/A

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

- A. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the attached Modification No. 001 to amend the Federal Lands Highway Reimbursable Agreement for a total amount of \$1,010,400.00 (attached as Exhibit 1) between the Federal Highway Administration and the County of Santa Barbara; and
- B. Determine that original agreement was found by your Board to be exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(2) on February 4, 2014, upon approval of the project, that a Notice of Exemption (NOE) was filed on that basis, and that the proposed action is within the scope of that NOE.

Summary Text:

The Central Federal Lands Highway Division (CFLHD) of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), in cooperation with the Los Padres National Forest and the County of Santa Barbara, are proposing to resurface and overlay Paradise and Gibraltar Roads. The award of this grant from CFLHD to Santa Barbara County provides a historic opportunity to transform these mountainous roads from their current patchwork condition to a structural condition that will last for years into the future with proper pavement preservation.

Both roadway improvements consist of rehabilitating the existing roads and paved shoulders for approximately 5.4 miles on Paradise Road, and approximately 6.5 miles on Gibraltar Road. The pavement improvements will incorporate several different rehabilitation methods based on the existing pavement conditions. These methods include: fog seal, slurry seal and micro-surfacing, and pulverizing

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the existing roadway and paving. Initial field observations of the roadways suggest that all rehabilitation measures are required on each roadway.

It is anticipated that on Gibraltar Road access would be limited to local residents only for approximately six weeks during the pulverization and paving construction operation. Residents on Gibraltar Road will have a maximum 30 minute delay during the hours of 8:30am - 4:30pm. No other access (i.e. cycling, hiking, through traffic and sightseeing) would be allowed during this time. On Paradise Road it is anticipated that access would be restricted to one-lane during the pulverization and paving construction operation. Disruptions to traffic would be limited to weekdays with no work during the evening.

The CFLHD opened bids for the construction of Paradise and Gibraltar Roads and the lowest responsible bid was \$4,162,673 (Eagle Peak Rock and Paving) which is \$500,000 above the Reimbursable Agreement Engineers Estimate for construction. The amendment to Reimbursable Agreement DTFH68-14-E-00039 will require an additional \$100,000 in County matching funds (20% of increase) for the construction contract for Paradise and Gibraltar Roads.

Background:

On February 4, 2014 your Board approved a NOE pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(2) and the Modification No.001 to the Federal Lands Highway Reimbursable Agreement is within the scope of that NOE.

The Federal Lands Access Program was created by the "Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act" (MAP-21) to improve access to federal lands. The program is directed towards public highways, roads, bridges, trails, and transit systems that are under State, county, town, township, tribal or local government jurisdiction or maintenance and provide access to federal lands.



Paradise Road

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Gibraltar Road

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Sources	Current FY Cos	<u>st:</u>	Annualized On-going Cos	_	<u>Total One-Time</u> <u>Project Cost</u>	
Federal					\$	4,041,603.00
Local Match					\$	1,010,400.00
Total	\$	-	\$	-	\$	5,052,003.00

Narrative:

The new total cost for the two projects is \$5,052,003.00 which includes design, environmental and construction cost. The Central Federal Lands Program will fund \$4,041,603.00 (80%) and County will fund the remaining \$1,010,400.00 (20%). Funds for these projects would be budgeted in Department 054, Fund 0016, Org Unit 0500, Program 2820, and Account 7510. \$910,400 of this will come from the previously-approved general fund contribution. The remaining \$100,000 will be funded from Measure A.

Special Instructions:

Please forward a certified, stamped Minute Order approving these recommendations, and two (2) original executed agreements to Gena Valentine Felix in the Public Works Department, Transportation Admin, ext. 3064. Please keep one original executed agreement for your file.

Attachments:

- 1. Federal Lands Highway Reimbursable Agreement DTFH68-14-E-00039, Modification No. 001 (3 original)
- 2. Notice of Exemption (previously approved on February 4, 2014)

Authored by:

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