

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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TO: Board of Supervisors

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SUBJECT: Jalama Road Improvements - County Project No. 860039
Third Supervisorial District

Recommendations:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve the project and the Categorical Exemption (CE) pursuant to the County's California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines as adequate environmental review for the Jalama Road Improvements Project (Attachment A);
- B. Authorize the Director of Public Works to advertise for construction bids for the Jalama Road Improvements, County Project No. 860039

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendations are primarily aligned with Goal No. 1. An Efficient Government Able to Respond Effectively to the Needs of the Community.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

The proposed project is located on Jalama Road near Bridge 51C-016, at mile post 7.70. This project will improve the horizontal and vertical alignment of the existing road as you approach bridge 51C-016 from State Route 1. The existing road has vertical alignment near the bridge with an unexpected and abrupt grade change at the bridge. This is causing excessive impact loading on the bridge structure.

This project will reconstruct a portion of the road from bridge 51C-016, North 400 feet toward State Route 1, installing a vertical curve on the approach to the bridge and aligning the road better with the bridge structure. Improvements to the alignment and grade of the roadway on the south side of the bridge is continuing under a separate contract. The bridge structure will also be seismically upgraded later this summer. These projects are being phased to minimize the inconvenience to the traveling public.

Pursuant to the County’s CEQA guidelines this project has been determined to be exempt from further environmental review. Approval of the Categorical Exemption shall indicate the Board of Supervisor’s approval of this project and will commence the posting of the categorical Exemption.

This project was originally part of an expanded scope of work for a 95 storm repair project on the south side of the bridge. This storm repair project was approved by your Board in the FY 01/02 Capital Improvement Plan. This project was separated out because it was outside of the original storm repair project and therefore did not qualify for the federal FHWA, Emergency Relief Program funding and State Office of Emergency Services funding. Planning and design for the south side storm repair is continuing separately.



Photo: Existing road alignment heading toward Bridge 51C-016 from HWY 1

The “Notice to Contractors” will be published prior to the date set for the opening of the bids. Sealed proposals to construct this project will be received at the Public Works Conference Room, Santa Barbara County, Department of Public Works, County Engineering Building, 123 East Anapamu Street, Santa

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Barbara, California, and at the North County Public Works Office, 2400 Professional Parkway, Suite 150, Santa Maria California, at a date to be determined, and will be opened publicly and read aloud.

Mandates and Service Levels:

Direction by the Board of Supervisors will not change the programs or service levels.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Funds have been budgeted in Dept. 054, Fund 0015, Program 2900, Account 7511 (Measure D)

Special Instructions:

Please forward a copy of the minute order approving these recommendations to the Public Works Department, Roads and Engineering Division. Please post a copy of the Categorical Exemption with the County Clerk of the Board after project approval.

Concurrence:

None

Attachments:

Attachment A: CEQA; Categorical Exemption (CE)