

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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Agenda Number:
Prepared on: February 12, 2002
Department Name: Public Works
Department No.: 054
Agenda Date: February 26, 2002
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: NO
If Yes, date from:

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Phillip M. Demery, Director
Public Works Department

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Traffic Section

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Real Property

SUBJECT: Vacation of a portion of Camino Arroyo – Southerly 5’ wide portion adjacent to APN 143-112-026 (3322 Camino Arroyo), Santa Ynez; County Project No. 762008 (Real Property Folio # YS 3314), Third Supervisorial District

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the attached California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Notice of Exemption document, which is discussed hereunder.
2. Adopt the attached Resolution of Order to Vacate a portion of the County’s easement interest in the vacation of the southerly 5’ of a portion of Camino Arroyo (the portion adjacent to APN 143-112-026), which portion of the road right-of-way is no longer needed by the public for road or bike path purposes.

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 County holds an easement interest in the southerly 5’ wide portion of Camino Arroyo adjacent to APN 143-112-026 (3322 Camino Arroyo) approximately 500 square feet in size. This portion of

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road property is hereinafter referred to as the “COUNTY Property.” The Public Works Department has found that the COUNTY Property is not needed by Public Works for present or future use as a road, bike path, or for any other use.

As discussed in the previous Board Letter addressing the Resolution of Intent to Vacate heard by the Board on January 22, 2002, the COUNTY Property is currently an unimproved portion of the Camino Arroyo road right-of-way. This unimproved 5’ wide portion of Camino Arroyo is currently situated 5’ below the rest of the southerly right-of-way boundary line of Camino Arroyo (please refer to Exhibit B in the attached Order to Vacate document). The vacation of this COUNTY Property will restore a contiguous width of 55’ to the Camino Arroyo right-of-way in the vicinity of this proposed road vacation.

On January 22, 2002, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution 02-032, a Resolution of Notice of Intent to Vacate a County Road, providing notice to the public that the County intends to dispose of the COUNTY Property (Clerk of the Board File No. 02-00110). The Board of Supervisors also set the date of February 26, 2002, as the hearing date for parties interested in the road vacation to comment on the proposed road vacation.

On Tuesday, January 29th, and on Monday, February 4th, the Public Works Department published notice of the Board’s intention to vacate the subject portion of Camino Arroyo and notice of the February 26th hearing date in the Santa Barbara News-Press pursuant to California Streets and Highways Code Section 8322(a).

The Public Works Department also posted notice of the Board’s intention to vacate the subject portion of Camino Arroyo and notice of the February 26th hearing date conspicuously along the subject portion of the road to be vacated for two (2) weeks prior to the February 26th hearing date pursuant to Streets and Highways Code Section 8323.

In the event the Board elects to proceed with the road vacation by adopting the attached Order to Vacate the subject portion of Camino Arroyo, said Order to Vacate will be recorded at the Office of the County Recorder by the Facilities Services Division on behalf of the Public Works Department. Upon recordation of this document, the road vacation will be complete.

CEQA and Government Code Section 65402 Information:

The attached CEQA Notice of Exemption document states that the proposed vacation of this COUNTY Property is categorically exempt under CEQA Guideline Section 15312. This Section states that the disposition of surplus property outside the Coastal Zone is exempt from CEQA. Since the COUNTY Property being vacated is located in Santa Ynez, it is, therefore, outside of the Coastal Zone.

The Planning and Development Department has determined that real property vacation and conveyance is in compliance with the County’s adopted General Plan pursuant to Government Code Section 65402.

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Mandates and Service Levels:

No change in programs or service levels.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

The Traffic Section has determined that vacation of this COUNTY Property will not affect the existing improved roadway called Camino Arroyo.

There will be no financial impact as the County is merely removing its easement interest in the road property.

Special Instructions:

After Board action, distribute as follows:

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| 1. | Original Order to Vacate | Facilities Services,
Attn: Jason Sunukjian |
| 2. | Copy of Order to Vacate | Clerk of the Board File |
| 3. | Copy of Order to Vacate | County Surveyor’s Office
Attn: Michael Collie |
| 4. | Minute Order | Facilities Services,
Attn: Jason Sunukjian |
| 5. | Minute Order | Transportation Division,
Attn: Bret Stewart |
| 6. | Minute Order | County Surveyor’s Office
Attn: Michael Collie |

In the event the Board adopts the vacation of a portion of Camino Arroyo, Facilities Services (on behalf of the Public Works Department) will record the original Order to Vacate with the Office of the County Recorder.

Concurrence:

County Counsel