# SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407 Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 568-2240 Agenda Number:Prepared on:04/25/05Department Name:Public WorksDepartment No.:054/02/02Agenda Date:05/17/05Placement:AdministrativeEstimate Time:NOIf Yes, date from:NO

TO:	Board of Supervisors
FROM:	Phillip M. Demery, Director Public Works Department
STAFF CONTACT:	Dacé Morgan - 568-3047 Engineering Section Manager
SUBJECT:	Channel Clearing North of Santa Rosa Road at Mile Post 9.3; Third Supervisorial District; County Project No. 310310

#### **Recommendation**(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve the Project and Categorical Exemption pursuant to the County's California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines for the Channel Clearing North of Santa Rosa Road at Mile Post 9.3, Project No. 310310;
- B. Authorize the Director of Public Works to advertise for construction bids for Channel Clearing North of Santa Rosa Road at Mile Post 9.3, Project No. 310310.

#### Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendations are primarily aligned with Strategic Plan Goal Number 2: A safe and healthy community in which to live, work and visit.

#### **Executive Summary and Discussion:**

This project is located on Shale Creek Channel. Shale Creek Channel crosses under Santa Rosa Road in a culvert near Mile Post 9.3, about five miles west of the City of Buellton. In the past, storm events have deposited sediment in the channel near the culvert, resulting in flooding of Santa Rosa Road and private property. This project will remove accumulated sediment from part of Shale Creek Channel, and will place rock slope protection on the north bank of the channel. The project begins on the north side of Santa Rosa

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Road, and extends northwesterly along Shale Creek Channel for approximately 1,800 feet. Construction work will be done during the fall when the channel is dry. The County is required to perform this channel clearing work to fulfill requirements of a settlement agreement between the County and Russell Lugli.



Pursuant to the County's CEQA guidelines, the project has been determined to be exempt from further environmental review. Approval of this Categorical Exemption will indicate the Board of Supervisors' approval of this project and will commence the appeal period, pursuant to CEQA guidelines.

The "Notice to Contractors" will be published prior to the date set for the opening of bids.

Sealed proposals will be received at the Public Works front counter in the County Engineering Building, 123 E. Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, California 93101, and at the North County Public Works office, presently located at 2400 Professional Parkway, Suite 150, Santa Maria, California, and will be opened publicly and read aloud at a date to be determined.

# Mandates and Service Levels:

Approval by the Board of Supervisors will not change the programs or service levels. The County will effect this one-time only channel clearing to clean Shale Creek. The property owners have agreed to perform future cleaning and maintenance when requested by the County, in accordance with the Settlement Agreement.

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# **Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Funds have been budgeted in Dept. 054, Fund 0015, Program 2900, Org 0002, and Account 7511.

## **Special Instructions:**

Please forward copies of the Minute Order approving these recommendations to:

- 1. Public Works Department, Transportation Division, Engineering Section, Attn: Beverly Cross
- 2. Public Works Department, Transportation Division, Accounting Section, Attn: Donna Manuel
- 3. County Counsel Office, Attn: Michael Youngdahl.

Please post a copy of the Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk of the Board for 30 days after project approval.

#### **Concurrence:**

County Counsel

## Attachments:

Attachment A: CEQA Notice of Exemption

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