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: 12/21/04
Department Name: Public Works
Department No.: 054/02/02
Agenda Date: 01/25/05
Placement: Administrative

Estimate Time:

Continued Item: NO If Yes, date from:

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Phillip M. Demery, Director

Public Works Department

STAFF Dacé Morgan - 568-3047
CONTACT: Engineering Section Manager

SUBJECT: Jalama Road Bridge over Jalama Creek Seismic Retrofit (Bridge Number 51C-017);

Third Supervisorial District; County Project Number 862039

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 Jalama Road Bridge over Jalama Creek Seismic Retrofit Project (Bridge Number 51C-017), County Project Number 862039;
- B. Authorize the Public Works Department to proceed with right-of-way negotiations for the Jalama Road Bridge over Jalama Creek Seismic Retrofit Project (Bridge Number 51C-017); and
- C. Authorize the Director of Public Works to advertise for construction bids for the Jalama Road Bridge over Jalama Creek Seismic Retrofit Project (Bridge Number 51C-017).

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendations are primarily aligned with Strategic Plan Goal Number 1: An efficient government able to anticipate and respond effectively to the needs of the community.

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Executive Summary and Discussion:

This project is located at Jalama Road Bridge 51C-017, approximately 8.8 miles west of the Highway 1/Jalama Road intersection. This bridge was built in 1950 and is one of eleven County maintained structures that were analyzed for seismic vulnerability by Caltrans in 1996, and found to be seismically deficient and in need of retrofitting. The proposed work consists of seismically retrofitting the existing bridge by adding new steel cross bracing to the piers for increased strength, and adding tiebacks to both bridge abutments for better stability in a seismic event. Bridge traffic will be restricted to a single lane during construction and stop signs will be placed temporarily near each end of the bridge.

The proposed seismic retrofit will require the acquisition of temporary construction easements from two adjacent parcels. Approval by the Board of Supervisors will allow the Public Works Department to proceed with right-of-way negotiations on parcels located west of the bridge, that are known as APN 083-440-014 and APN 083-520-008.



Pursuant to the County's CEQA guidelines, staff has determined the project is exempt from further environmental review. Approval of this Categorical Exemption shall 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.

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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 93454, and will be opened publicly and read aloud at a date to be determined.

This project was approved by your Board as part of the current Capital Improvement Program for the County of Santa Barbara.

Mandates and Service Levels:

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

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Purchase of a Preliminary Title Report and minimum value estimates of APN 083-440-014 and APN 083-520-008 will cost the County approximately \$16,000. Of this amount, approximately \$500 will be spent for purchasing the Preliminary Title Report, \$11,500 will be spent for the cost of right of way acquisition, and \$4,000 will be spent for right-of-way support (field surveying, legal exhibits, and legal descriptions). The Federal Highway Bridge Rehabilitation and Replacement (HBRR) Program will fund 80% of the project with Measure "D" funding the remaining 20%. Funds have been budgeted in Dept. 054, Fund 0015, Org. 0014, Program 2050, and Account 7460.

Special Instructions:

Please forward copies of the Minute Order approving these recommendations to Beverly Cross in the Public Works Department, Transportation Division Engineering Section, and to Jeff Havlik in the Public Works Department, Surveyors Division. Please post a copy of the Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk of the Board for 30 days after project approval.

Concurrence:

None

Attachments:

Attachment A: CEQA Notice of Exemption

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