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Mendocino County Board of Supervisors
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RE: ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE COUNTY'S APPLICATION FOR
PUBLIC LANDS HIGHWAY (PLH) DISCRETIONARY PROGRAM FUNDING AND
AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO
PROCESS SAID APPLICATION (POTTER VALLEY AREA)

Honorable Board Members:

On 11 November 2011, Caltrans issued a Call for Projects under the Public Lands Highway (PLH) Discretionary Program. Deadline for receipt of project application is 5:00 p.m. on 9 December 2011.

Under the PLH program, the project must provide access to public lands such as BLM property or National Forests. East Side Potter Valley Road is a major ingress and egress for the Mendocino National Forest and Lake Pillsbury. The PLH project application is expected to be reviewed by Caltrans and forwarded on to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The Surface Transportation Extension Act of 2011, Part II (Extension Act), Title I of Public Law 112-30, extended the federal-aid highway program funding through 31 March 2012. FHWA plans to award available funding under the six-month extension. The PLH program has approximately \$45,000,000 of funding currently available.

The County Department of Transportation (DOT) has prepared an application for the following PLH project:

- Construction Phase of East Side Potter Valley Road Project (Potter Valley Area)

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The application package required for PLH Program funding is very detailed and exacting. A recommended component of the package is a Resolution by the relevant elected body supporting the proposed PLH project. It will also be appropriate for the Resolution to document the County's designated representative to process the application documents.

County DOT has prepared a Resolution which verifies the Board's support of the aforementioned application for PLH Program funding for the construction phase of the East Side Potter Valley Road project and authorizes the Director of Transportation, or his designee, to process the documentation relevant to the PLH Program funding application.

I will, of course, respond to any questions that the Board may have.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Transportation

Enclosure

cc: DOT File 24-8
Board Corres. File