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Mendocino County Board of Supervisors
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RE: ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS AND AWARD OF A CONTRACT
TO PERFORM FELIZ CREEK DAM REMOVAL (HOPLAND AREA)

Honorable Board Members:

This Department of Transportation (DOT) contract will provide for Feliz Creek Dam Removal. The applicable DOT project is funded by Mendocino County Resources Conservation District (MCRCD) Funds. This project will be to complete removal of a small private dam in Feliz Creek for the purpose of creating an additional nine to fourteen miles of up stream steelhead spawning and rearing habitat that is now not accessible for these fish.

The project is strongly supported by the MCRCD and the California Department of Fish and Game. Consequently, construction funding will be provided by the MCRCD, with the project bidding and construction management provided by the County DOT, as the contribution to the project.

DOT has been working together with the MCRCD on the Feliz Creek Fish Barrier Removal Project for the purpose of performing a meaningful environmental mitigation project in lieu of additional actions at the County's Mill Creek County Park pursuant to the 2004 sediment release. We have written a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), DOT Agreement No. 110042, which identifies and sets forth the joint and individual responsibilities of the MCRCD and the County of Mendocino in the construction of a 2011-12 Feliz Creek Fish Barrier Removal Project. This MOU was approved by the Board on May 24, 2011.

DOT (with funding from MCRCD) will prepare construction plans, specifications, estimates and contract documents, advertise and award a County contract, and coordinate the project with California Department of Fish and Game (CDF&G) and other governmental agencies.

I recommend and request that the Board authorize and direct the Director of Transportation to advertise for construction bids and award a Department of Transportation contract to perform Feliz Creek Dam Removal. Department of Transportation staff personnel have prepared a draft Resolution which provides said authorization for the Board's consideration and adoption.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

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Director of Transportation

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