



**Contra  
Costa  
County**

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Julia R. Bueren, Public Works Director/Chief Engineer  
Date: October 6, 2015

Subject: APPROVE the 2015 update to the Areas of Benefit Programs and related actions under the California Environmental Quality Act.

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE the 2015 Countywide Area of Benefit (Project), Countywide. [Project No. 0676-6R4070, DCD-CP# 15-03] (Countywide), and

DETERMINE that the activity is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Article 5, Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines, and

DIRECT the Director of Conservation and Development to file a Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk, and

AUTHORIZE the Public Works Director to arrange for payment of \$50 fee to the County Clerk for filing the Notice of Exemption, and a \$25 fee to Department of Conservation and Development for processing.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

100% Area of Benefit Funds.

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY  
ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD  
COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **10/06/2015** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor  
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor  
Mary N. Piepho, District III Supervisor  
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor  
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: October 6, 2015

, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Contact: Leigh Chavez, Environmental  
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By: June McHuen, Deputy

## BACKGROUND:

The Areas of Benefit (AOB) throughout the County are fee mechanisms, allocating money collected from developers to fund road improvement projects that mitigate traffic impacts generated by new residential, commercial, industrial, and other developments. There are several separate AOBs within the County (Fig.1). The purpose of the AOB update is to make adjustments to each of the current AOB project lists and fee schedules to meet changing traffic mitigation demands and needs within Contra Costa for each of the Areas of Benefit. The update is needed to ensure that the amount of fees charged accurately reflects the effects of annual inflation for each of the listed county AOBs and meets the current traffic mitigation needs. This CEQA document addresses the adjustments to the Countywide Areas of Benefit only. Each roadway project to be covered by the 2015 Countywide Area of Benefit Updates will be addressed by individual project-specific CEQA documents.

## CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Delay in approving the project may result in a delay of program updates.

## CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

### ATTACHMENTS

CEQA Document-NOE NOD Maps