



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: Julia R. Bueren, Public Works Director/Chief Engineer
Date: October 18, 2016

Subject: APPROVE the Kirker Pass Northbound Truck Climbing Lane Project and related actions under the California Environmental Quality Act, Concord area.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

1. APPROVE the Kirker Pass Northbound Truck Climbing Lane Project (Project) and AUTHORIZE the Public Works Director, or designee, to advertise the Project, Concord area. [Project No. 0662-6R4052] DCD-CP# 15-04 (Districts IV, V), and
2. FIND, on the basis of the whole record, including the proposed Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and any comments received and staff responses thereto, that there is no substantial evidence the Project may have significant effect on the environment, and that the Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the lead agency, Contra Costa County (County).
3. ADOPT the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation and Monitoring Reporting Program for the Project.
4. SPECIFY that the Contra Costa County Public Works Director is the custodian of the documents and other material that constitute the record of proceedings upon which the Board's decision is based, and that the record of proceedings is located at 255 Glacier Drive, Martinez, CA.

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **10/18/2016** ☒ 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 18, 2016

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: June McHuen, Deputy

Contact: Leigh Chavez,
925-313-2366

cc: Liza Mangabay, Nancy Wein, Leigh Chavez

5. DIRECT the Director of Conservation and Development to file a Notice of Determination with the County Clerk, and

RECOMMENDATION(S): (CONT'D)

5. AUTHORIZE the Public Works Director to arrange for payment of \$2,210 for California Department of Fish and Wildlife filing fee, a \$50 fee to the County Clerk for filing the Notice of Determination, and a \$25 fee to Department of Conservation and Development for processing.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This Project is funded by 40% Local Funds, 34% Measure J Funds, 15% Surface Transportation Improvement Program, 11% State Match.

BACKGROUND:

The purpose of the Project is to provide a northbound truck climbing lane and paved shoulders for future Class II bike lanes. The Project is intended to improve circulation for motorists and bicyclists along this stretch of road. The road is frequently used by commuters and has heavy truck traffic. With sustained grades steeper than 8 percent, trucks are unable to match the speed of other vehicles on the roadway, causing significant congestion and impacting traffic flow. Project elements will include roadway widening for the truck climbing lane, paved shoulders for future Class II bike lanes, relocation of drainage features, retaining wall construction; installation of signage and striping; construction of two bioretention areas; roadway conforms due to change in grade; and relocation of other existing roadside features. An open grade asphalt concrete overlay will be placed along the southbound and northbound lanes.

Construction is expected to begin in 2018, pending availability of local road funds, and may require two construction seasons. Area residents will be notified in advanced of start of construction. Standard construction equipment will be used, including but not limited to: excavators, graders, scrapers, loaders, sweepers/scrubbers, plate compactors, rollers, backhoes, cranes, drill rigs, and pavers. Construction activities will generally be limited to the hours between 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with noise-generating activities focused between 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; however, there will be limited night work as necessary. Disturbed areas will be stabilized following construction to ensure appropriate erosion and sediment control.

Real Property transactions, including right-of-way acquisition and temporary construction easements for access and staging areas and permanent easements for access and maintenance may be necessary in support of this project.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Delay in approving the project may result in a delay of design and construction, and may jeopardize grant funding.

ATTACHMENTS

CEQA-NOD

Initial Study.Mitigated Negative Declaration