



**RESOURCE
MANAGEMENT AGENCY
COUNTY OF TULARE
AGENDA ITEM**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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AGENDA DATE: August 8, 2017

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

CONTACT PERSON: Celeste Perez PHONE: (559) 624-7010

SUBJECT: Authorization to Bid D39 over Traver Canal Bridge Project

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt the Categorical Exemption prepared pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the State CEQA Guidelines per Section 15302 Replacement or Reconstruction and Section 15300.4, Application by Public Agencies, for the D39 over Traver Canal Bridge Project; and
2. Authorize the Environmental Assessment Officer, or designee, to sign and file the Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk; and
3. Approve the Plans, Special Provisions, Proposal and Contract ("Bid Documents") for the Construction of the D39 over Traver Canal Bridge Project; and
4. Authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to sign the Plans; and
5. Approve the Advertisement for Bids of the D39 over Traver Canal Bridge Project.

SUMMARY:

The County is proposing to replace the existing D39 over Traver Canal Bridge with a new structure. The project is located on D39 (Old State Highway 99) over Traver Canal approximately 0.1 miles south of Avenue 368. The existing structure requires replacement for several reasons, including: 1) the bridge is too narrow, and does not meet current engineering standards for bridge width; 2) the bridge as originally designed and constructed, does not meet current engineering standards for vehicle load capacity, and; 3) the bridge was constructed in 1918 and is experiencing

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advanced concrete degradation, spalling and exposure of bar reinforcement.

The existing bridge will be replaced with an approximately 7-foot tall, 40-foot long by 35-foot wide, three-cell reinforced concrete box culvert, designed to meet current engineering standards. The replacement bridge will accommodate two 11-ft lanes with 5-ft shoulders. Additionally, D39 will be repaved approximately 70 feet to the south and 50 feet to the north of the bridge limits. Several large eucalyptus trees will be removed as part of the project as the footprint of the new bridge is larger than the existing structure. Road D39 will be closed to through traffic during construction; however, a short detour will be made available.

Construction is anticipated to begin in the winter of 2017, and should take approximately 2 months to complete all work.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

There is no Net County Cost to the General Fund.

The total cost for the construction phase is estimated to be \$682,000, which consists of approximately \$542,000 in construction costs, \$53,000 in contingencies and \$87,000 in construction engineering costs.

County Road Funds will be used to fund the construction and construction engineering phase of the project, which will be fully reimbursed by Federal Highway Bridge Program funds.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

This Project will enhance the safety and security of the public by improving the transportation infrastructure for both the general population in the region and the motorists using this facility.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:



Reed Schenke, P.E.
Director

RS:jv

Cc: Auditor-Controller
County Counsel
County Administrative Office (2)

Attachment(s): Attachment A – Vicinity Map
Attachment B – Categorical Exemption
Attachment C – Bid Documents (On file with the Clerk of the Board)

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZATION TO)
BID D39 OVER TRAVER CANAL BRIDGE) Resolution No. _____
PROJECT)

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR _____, SECONDED BY
SUPERVISOR _____, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD AUGUST 8, 2017, BY THE
FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

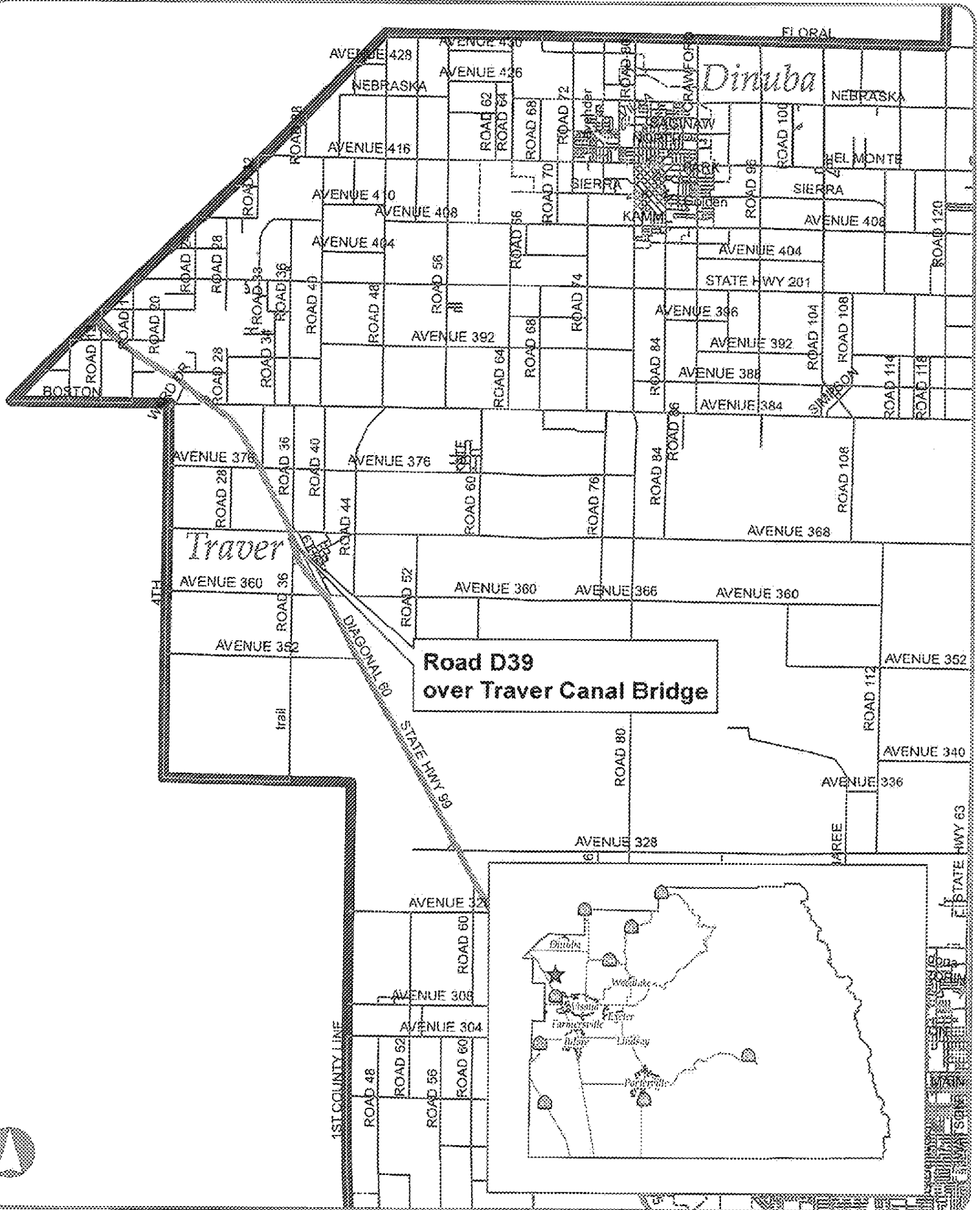
ATTEST: MICHAEL C. SPATA
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

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Attachment A - Vicinity Map



**Road D39
over Traver Canal Bridge**



Attachment B - Categorical Exemption

Notice of Exemption

Fee Exempt per Government Code Section 6103

To: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street, Room 121
Sacramento, CA 95814

X Tulare County Clerk
Room 105, Courthouse
221 South Mooney Boulevard
Visalia, California 93291

Date Filed with County Clerk

Lead Agency: Tulare County – Resource Management Agency
5961 So. Mooney Blvd.
Visalia, CA 93277 (559)
Attn: hguerra@co.tulare.ca.us (559) 624-7121

Applicant(s): Tulare County – Resource Management Agency
5961 So. Mooney Blvd.
Visalia, CA 93277 Phone: (559) 624-7000

Activity/Project Title: Road D39 over Traver Canal Bridge Project

Activity/Project Location – Specific: Replacement

Activity/Project Location- Section, Township, Range: Township 10N, Range 23E in Section 16 of the Traver USGS 7 ½ minute quadrangle

Activity/Project Location – City: Unincorporated community of Traver

Activity/Project Location - County: Tulare

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Activity/Project: Construct a new box culvert to replace an existing bridge crossing over Traver Canal, provide improved safety and operations on the facility and provide improved access for local use of agricultural equipment. Also, construct wing walls and installation of rip-rap for erosion control.

Exempt Status:

- Ministerial (PRC Sections 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (PRC Sections 21080(b)(3);15269(a));
- Emergency Project (PRC Sections 21080(b)(4);15269(b)(c));
- X Categorical Exemptions: **15302 Replacement or Reconstruction**
- General Rule Exemption (14 Cal. Code Regs. Section 15061(b)(3)) (No Possibility of Significant Impact);
- Statutory Exemptions: (14 Cal. Code Regs. Section 15262 (Feasibility and Planning Studies))

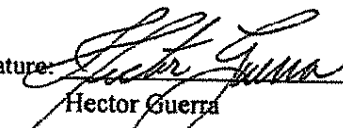
Reasons Why Activity/Project are Exempt from CEQA:

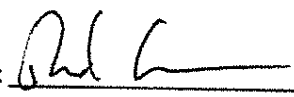
The project is Categorically Exempt under Section 15302. Replacement or Reconstruction and, is consistent with Section 15300.4, Application by Public Agencies, the County of Tulare Board of Supervisors adopted an exemption for the construction of the aforementioned facilities per the Tulare County Guidelines for the Implementation of California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, Section 300 (c)(14). Therefore, the application of CEQA Section 15301 and Tulare County Guidelines for the Implementation of CEQA of 1970, Section 300 Class 2: Replace or

Reconstruction (e) Reconstruction of existing road and bridges to current day engineering standards are applicable and appropriate for this project

Name of Public Agency Approving Activity/Project: Tulare County Board of Supervisors

Activity/Project Representative: Jason K. Vivian – Project Manager, Area Code/Telephone: 559) 624-7135

Signature:  Date: 7/26/17 Title: Chief Environmental Planner
Hector Guerra

Signature:  Date: 7/26/17 Title: RMA Director
Reed Schenke Environmental Assessment Officer

X Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR: N/A