



**Resource Management  
Agency  
COUNTY OF TULARE  
AGENDA ITEM**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

KUYLER CROCKER  
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District Two  
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District Three  
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District Four  
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District Five

**AGENDA DATE:** September 1, 2020 – REVISED

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
CONTACT PERSON: Celeste Perez    PHONE: (559) 624-7010				

**SUBJECT:** Approve the First Amendment to Agreement No. 28458 with California Department of Transportation

**REQUEST(S):**  
That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the First Amendment to Agreement No. 28458 with California Department of Transportation to extend the term of the agreement to September 13, 2021 to complete the Avenue 80 Railroad Crossing Improvements Project, in the community of Teviston; and
2. Authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to sign the First Amendment to Agreement No. 28458.

**SUMMARY:**  
Tulare County is the lead agency for the Avenue 80 Railroad Crossing Improvements Project (the Project) to oversee the construction of the safety improvements at the railroad crossing. The Section 130 Program provides funds for the elimination of hazards at railway-highway crossings and has been correlated with a significant decrease in fatalities at railway-highway grade crossings. The Section 130 Program is administered by California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), and is funded at a 90% federal share, and 10% state share (no local match required).

The Avenue 80 crossing of the Union Pacific Railroad is located in the unincorporated community of Teviston, CA on the west side of State Route (SR) 99. There is a southbound off ramp to Avenue 80 from SR 99 east of the railroad crossing. The scope of work includes upgrades to the railroad crossing equipment (warning devices), resurfacing and reconstruction of the roadway approaches, and signage and striping, all of which will improve the safety of the existing at-grade railroad crossing. Improvements to the railroad crossing warning devices will improve the visibility for

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motorists exiting to Avenue 80 from the SR 99 southbound off ramp. Repaving of the roadway approaches will eliminate the irregularities, such as the dip in the approach grade at the tracks, which may cause vehicles to scrape or become stuck. This will provide a smooth transition surface for vehicles to traverse safely across the crossing as well as provide a surface for pavement markings to adhere well to.

The County entered into an Agreement (No. 28458) with Caltrans on January 23, 2018, to allow the County to design and oversee the construction of the Project. The expiration of the initial Agreement needs to be extended from September 13, 2020 to September 13, 2021.

The Avenue 80 Railroad Crossing Improvements Project is currently under construction. Completion for the project is anticipated for the end of September 2020.

The Agreement amendment will cover all related construction and/or post construction activities. All items of work identified will be performed under the same terms and conditions as in the original Agreement.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

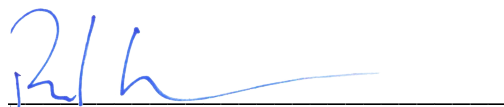
No net County cost to the General Fund.

The initial Agreement with California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for the Avenue 80 Railroad Crossing Improvements Project was approved by your Board in the amount up to \$403,650. Funding for the Project is 100% funded through Section 130 funds. The Section 130 Program provides funds for the elimination of hazards at railway-highway crossings and has been correlated with a significant decrease in fatalities at railway-highway grade crossings.

**LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:**

**Safety and Security and Economic Well Being** - 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 local users of this facility.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**



Reed Schenke, P.E.  
Director

cc: County Administrative Office

Attachment(s) Attachment A- First Amendment to Agreement No. 28458 with Caltrans

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

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVE FIRST )  
AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT NO. 28458 ) Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_  
WITH CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF ) Agreement No. \_\_\_\_\_  
TRANSPORTATION )

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, SECONDED BY  
SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 1, 2020,  
BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

ATTEST: JASON T. BRITT  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/  
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

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