

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Marion Ashley

SUBMITTAL DATE:
March 23, 2009

SUBJECT: Badlands Highway 60 Corridor Safety Improvements

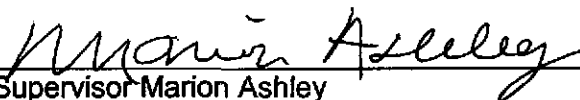
RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board receive and file this report.

BACKGROUND: At the April 1, 2008 meeting, the Board endorsed my request to have our Transportation Department work with Caltrans to seek both short-term and long-term traffic safety and mobility improvements to SR 60 through the Badlands.

At the June 11, 2008 meeting, the Board endorsed a plan to implement short-term improvements to be completed within six to nine months, and mid-term improvements that were expected to take 2-3 years.

I am very pleased to announce that Caltrans has completed the following short-term and mid-term improvements ahead of schedule:

1. Installed reflectorized markers on the top and side of the existing concrete median border.
2. Changed the existing lane line striping to provide improved night time visibility.
3. Adjusted the lane lines to accommodate a one-foot inside shoulder for added safety.
4. Installed "rumble strips" to the inside and outside shoulders to alert drivers when they stray across the lines.
5. Installed radar speed feedback signs. The County purchased the solar-powered equipment (2 signs in each direction) using 5th District CID Funds, and Caltrans Maintenance staff installed them.



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All of the improvements should help to significantly improve day-time and particularly night-time visibility of this challenging stretch of road and also make drivers better aware of the need to drive at a reasonable speed. I applaud Caltrans for their efforts in improving traffic safety, and in making many of the improvements well ahead of schedule.

The Transportation Department will continue to work with our regional partners at RCTC and Caltrans to continue to pursue long-term improvements, including widening of the corridor.