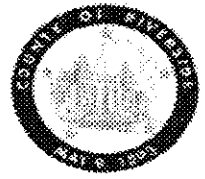


**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

121A



**FROM:** TLMA - Transportation Department

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**  
March 8, 2012

**SUBJECT:** Establishing the Maximum Weight of Vehicles on County Bridges Along Chuckwalla Valley Road, Desert Center area

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

1. That the Board of Supervisors direct the Clerk of the Board to schedule a public hearing, as described in proposed Resolution 2012-061 regarding the Establishment of Maximum Weight of Vehicles and Loads on County Bridges Along Chuckwalla Valley Road in the Desert Center area.

Juan C. Perez  
Director of Transportation

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<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 0	In Current Year Budget:	N/A
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	N/A
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	N/A
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS:</b> N/A				Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30 <input type="checkbox"/>
				Requires 4/5 Vote <input type="checkbox"/>

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:**

APPROVE

BY:   
Tina Grande

County Executive Office Signature

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL  
BY: PAMELA J. WALLS  
DATE: 3/5/12  
Departmental Concurrence

Dept Recomm.:  Policy  
Per Exec. Ofc.:  Policy

Prev. Agn. Ref.

District: 4/4

Agenda Number:

**3.18**

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

RE: Establishing the Maximum Weight of Vehicles on County Bridges Along Chuckwalla Valley Road, Desert Center area

Date: March 8, 2012

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2. That at the close of the public hearing the Board approve the proposed Resolution 2012-062 Declaring County Bridges Along Chuckwalla Valley Road in the Desert Center Area to Have the Maximum Weight of Vehicles and Loads Lowered.

**BACKGROUND:** With respect to bridges under its jurisdiction, California Vehicle Code (CVC) Section 35750 allows the Board of Supervisors to determine the maximum weight of vehicle and load on bridges, lower than the maximum weight otherwise permitted under the CVC. CVC Section 35751 requires an engineering investigation and a public hearing to be held before a lower weight limit can be established.

Caltrans conducted engineering investigations for County Bridge BR S8186 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0102 / Aztec Ditch) and County Bridge BR S8188 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0104 /Sutro Ditch) on Chuckwalla Valley Road. Based on Caltrans' investigations, weight prohibitions and reductions are necessary and as described on attached Resolution 2012-062.

According to CVC Section 35751, notice of the time and place of the hearing is required to be posted upon the bridge or other structure at least five days before the date fixed for the hearing. As such, Bridge BR S8186 and Bridge BR S8188 will be posted with notice of the public hearing for at least five days before the public hearing once the public hearing date is set.

Along Chuckwalla Valley Road, there are three existing bridges (BR S8187 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0103 / Tarantula Ditch); BR S8192 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0108 / Acari Ditch) and BR S8194 (not a Federal bridge / Abrigo Ditch) that have existing signs stating load restrictions. It has been determined that the existing signs restrict load weight limits for these bridges appropriately.

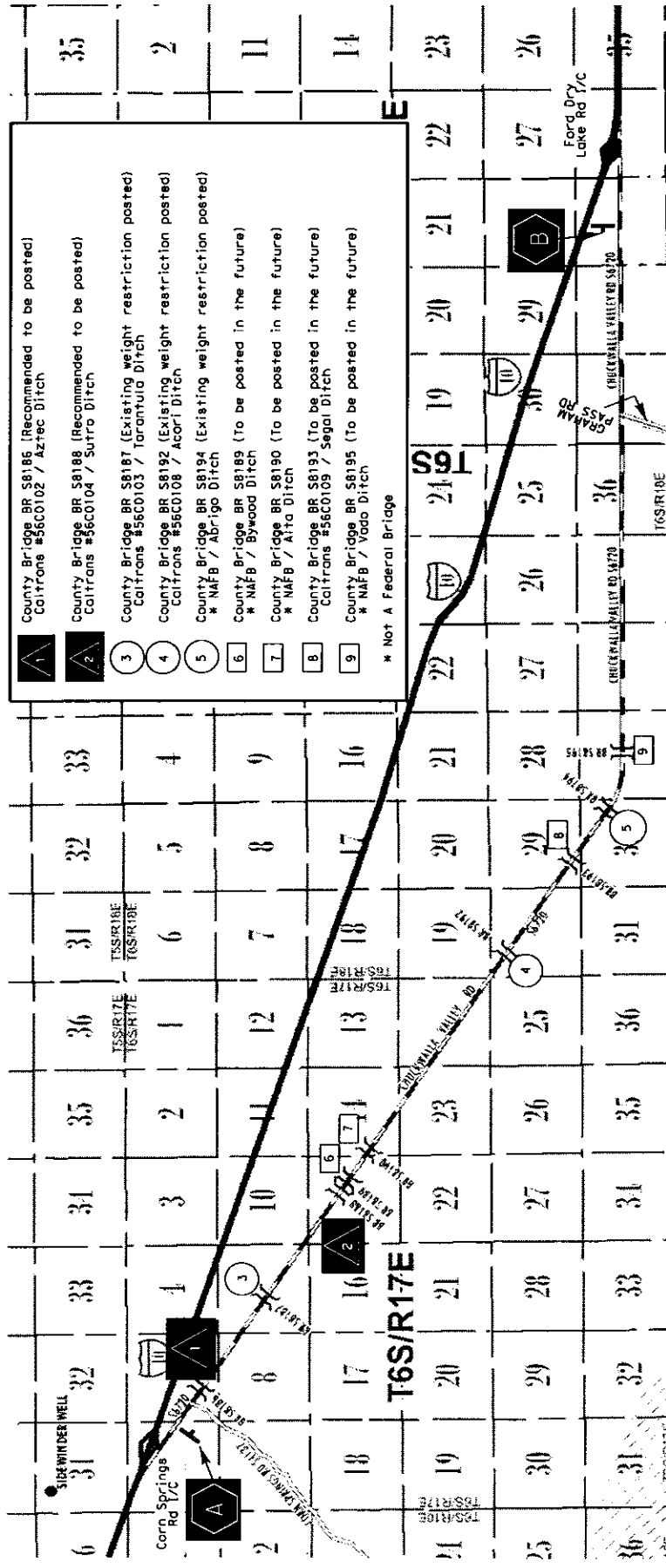
Upon the basis of the investigation and all evidence presented at the hearing, the Board of Supervisors shall determine by order in writing the maximum load weight, as per attached Resolution 2012-062 for County Bridge BR S8186 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0102 / Aztec Ditch), and County Bridge BR S8188 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0104 / Sutro Ditch).

It is recommended that the Board open the public hearing for the proposed Resolution 2012-062 and, at the close of the public hearing, approve the Resolution.

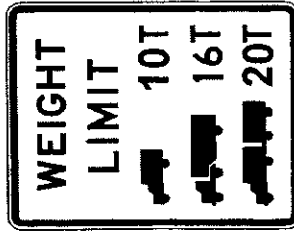
A copy of the proposed Resolution has been provided to the Blythe area of the California Highway Patrol.

The Resolution has been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

# EXHIBIT: VEHICLE WEIGHT & LOAD RESTRICTION ON COUNTY BRIDGES ON CHUCKWALLA VALLEY ROAD, DESERT CENTER AREA



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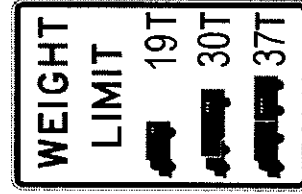


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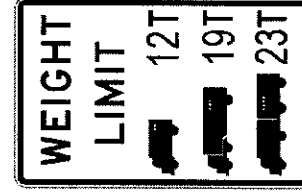
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"9 MILES AHEAD" POSTED EAST OF GRAHAM PASS RD

PROPOSED POSTINGS:



REGULATORY SIGNS (BLACK ON WHITE)



2 RESOLUTION NO. 2012-061  
3 NOTICE OF INTENT TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING  
4 THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MAXIMUM WEIGHT OF VEHICLES AND LOADS  
5 ON COUNTY BRIDGES ALONG CHUCKWALLA VALLEY ROAD  
6 IN THE DESERT CENTER AREA

7 WHEREAS, California Vehicle Code Section 35750(b) allows the Board of Supervisors to  
8 determine the maximum weight of vehicle and load, lower than the maximum weight otherwise permitted  
9 under the California Vehicle Code which a bridge or other structure with safety to itself will sustain; and

10 WHEREAS, California Vehicle Code Section 35751(a) requires an engineering investigation and  
11 a public hearing to be held whenever such a determination appears necessary; and

12 WHEREAS, Caltrans has conducted recent bridge inspections (engineering investigations) on  
13 Chuckwalla Valley Road in the Desert Center area and, as a result of said inspections, recommends  
14 posted weight restrictions as follows:

- 15 1) County Bridge BR S8186 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0102 / Aztec Ditch)  
16 19 Tons per Vehicle  
17 30 Tons per Semi Trailer Combination  
18 37 Tons per Truck and Full Trailer; and

- 19 2) County Bridge BR S8188 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0104 / Sutro Ditch)  
20 12 Tons per Vehicle  
21 19 Tons per Semi Trailer Combination  
22 23 Tons per Truck and Full Trailer; and

23 WHEREAS, three County bridges on Chuckwalla Valley Road have, and have had in the past  
24 years, existing weight and load restrictions posted, without a Board-approved resolution as follows:

- 25 3) County Bridge BR S8187 Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0103 / Tarantula Ditch)  
26 17 Tons per Vehicle  
27 25 Tons per Semi Trailer Combination  
28 31 Tons per Truck and Full Trailer

1                   4) County Bridge BR S8192 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0108 / Acari Ditch)

2                               10 Tons per Vehicle

3                               16 Tons per Semi Trailer Combination

4                               20 Tons per Truck and Full Trailer

5                   5) County Bridge BR S8194 (Not a Federal Bridge / Abrigo Ditch)

6                               17 Tons per Vehicle

7                               27 Tons per Semi Trailer Combination

8                               33 Tons per Truck and Full Trailer; and

9                   WHEREAS, California Vehicle Code Section 35751(b) requires notice of the time and  
10 place of the public hearing be posted upon the bridge or other structure at least five days before the date  
11 fixed for the hearing; and

12                   NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED by the  
13 Board of Supervisors, County of Riverside, State of California, in regular session assembled on  
14 March 20, 2012, that on April 10, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. or as soon thereafter as it may be heard, in the  
15 meeting room of the Board of Supervisors, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California, this Board intends  
16 to take testimony and consider the adoption of a resolution recognizing, pursuant to California Vehicle  
17 Code Section 35750(b), weight restrictions on the following bridges on Chuckwalla Valley Road as  
18 follows:

19                   1) County Bridge BR S8186 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0102 / Aztec Ditch)

20                               19 Tons per Vehicle

21                               30 Tons per Semi Trailer Combination

22                               37 Tons per Truck and Full Trailer

23                   2) County Bridge BR S8188 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0104 / Sutro Ditch)

24                               12 Tons per Vehicle

25                               19 Tons per Semi Trailer Combination

26                               23 Tons per Truck and Full Trailer

27 and the existing posted weight restrictions for three County bridges along Chuckwalla Valley Road as  
28 follows:

1 3) County Bridge BR S8187 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0103 / Tarantula Ditch)

2 17 Tons per Vehicle

3 25 Tons per Semi Trailer Combination

4 31 Tons per Truck and Full Trailer

5 4) County Bridge BR S8192 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0108 / Acari Ditch)

6 10 Tons per Vehicle

7 16 Tons per Semi Trailer Combination

8 20 Tons per Truck and Full Trailer

9 5) County Bridge BR S8194 (Not a Federal Bridge / Abrigo Ditch)

10 17 Tons per Vehicle

11 27 Tons per Semi Trailer Combination

12 33 Tons per Truck and Full Trailer.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED that pursuant to California  
14 Vehicle Code Section 35752, appropriate signs are required to be posted to give notice of the weight  
15 restrictions prior to enforcement of the restrictions set forth herein.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED that the Clerk of this Board is  
17 directed to give notice of this hearing pursuant to the provisions contained in Sections 65090 and 65094  
18 of the Government Code.

19 **PENALTY**

20 A violation of the approved weight restrictions shall be an infraction pursuant to Vehicle Code Section  
21 35753, punishable in accordance with the schedule of fines set forth in California Vehicle Code Section  
22 42030.

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24 **FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL**

25 BY: *Pamela J. Walls* 3/5/12  
PAMELA J. WALLS DATE

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2 RESOLUTION NO. 2012-062

3 DECLARING COUNTY BRIDGES ALONG CHUCKWALLA VALLEY ROAD  
4 IN THE DESERT CENTER AREA HAVE THE MAXIMUM  
5 WEIGHT OF VEHICLES AND LOADS LOWERED

6 WHEREAS, with respect to bridges under its jurisdiction, California Vehicle Code Section  
7 35750(b) allows the Board of Supervisors to determine the maximum weight of vehicle and load, lower  
8 than the maximum weight otherwise permitted under the California Vehicle Code which a bridge or other  
9 structure with safety to itself will sustain; and

10 WHEREAS, California Vehicle Code Section 35751(a) requires an engineering investigation and a  
11 public hearing to be held whenever such a determination appears necessary; and

12 WHEREAS, Caltrans has conducted recent bridge inspections (engineering investigations) on  
13 Chuckwalla Valley Road in the Desert Center area and, as a result of said inspections, recommends posted  
14 weight restrictions as follows:

- 15 1) County Bridge BR S8186 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0102 / Aztec Ditch)
  - 16 19 Tons per Vehicle
  - 17 30 Tons per Semi Trailer Combination
  - 18 37 Tons per Truck and Full Trailer
- 19 2) County Bridge BR S8188 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0104 / Sutro Ditch)
  - 20 12 Tons per Vehicle
  - 21 19 Tons per Semi Trailer Combination
  - 22 23 Tons per Truck and Full Trailer; and

23 WHEREAS, three County bridges on Chuckwalla Valley Road have, and have had for a number of  
24 years, existing weight and load restrictions posted, with such posting being done at an unknown date and  
25 without a public hearing, as follows:

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- 1                   3) County Bridge BR S8187 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0103 / Tarantula Ditch)  
2                         17 Tons per Vehicle  
3                         25 Tons per Semi Trailer Combination  
4                         31 Tons per Truck and Full Trailer  
5                   4) County Bridge BR S8192 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0108 / Acari Ditch)  
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10                         17 Tons per Vehicle  
11                         27 Tons per Semi Trailer Combination  
12                         33 Tons per Truck and Full Trailer; and

13                   WHEREAS, California Vehicle Code Section 35751(b) requires notice of the time and place of the  
14 public hearing be posted upon the bridge or other structure at least five days before the date fixed for the  
15 hearing; and

16                   WHEREAS, the notice of the time and place of this hearing has been placed on County Bridge  
17 S8186 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0102 / Aztec Ditch), County Bridge S8188 (Caltrans Bridge Number  
18 56C0104 / Sutro Ditch), County Bridge BR S8187 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0103 / Tarantula Ditch),  
19 County Bridge BR S8192 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0108 / Acari Ditch) and County Bridge BR S8194  
(Not a Federal Bridge / Abrigo Ditch) for at least five days prior to this hearing; and

20                   WHEREAS, on April 10, 2012 the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside conducted a  
21 public hearing for the purpose of taking testimony as to determine the maximum weight of vehicle and  
22 load which the County bridges along Chuckwalla Valley Road in the Desert Center area will safely  
23 sustain.

24                   NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED by the Board of  
25 Supervisors of the County of Riverside assembled in regular session on April 10, 2012 that, after taking  
testimony and considering this proposal and pursuant to 35750, the following named bridges along



1 Chuckwalla Valley Road within the Desert Center area are hereby declared to have a weight limits as  
2 follows:

- 3 1) County Bridge BR S8186 (Caltrans Bridge Number 56C0102 / Aztec Ditch)
  - 4 19 Tons per Vehicle
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23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED that pursuant to California  
24 Vehicle Code Section 35752, appropriate signs are directed to be erected to give notice of the weight  
25 restriction prior to enforcement of the restrictions set forth herein.

1 PENALTY

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4 42030.

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22 FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL  
BY: Pamela J. Walls 3/5/12  
PAMELA J. WALLS DATE

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