

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



FROM: Supervisor John J. Benoit

SUBMITTAL DATE: July 31, 2012

SUBJECT: Initiation of Amendments to Ordinance No. 348 Relating to Zoning and Ordinance No. 555 Implementing the Surface Mining Act of 1975

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

1. Adopt an order initiating an amendment to Ordinance No. 348 that would revise the fast track project procedures and the definition of a fast track project contained therein.
2. Adopt an order initiating an amendment to Ordinance No. 555 that would allow for surface mining permits and accompanying reclamation plans to be processed pursuant to the fast track procedures established in Ordinance No. 348.
3. Direct the Planning Department and County Counsel to prepare and process the ordinance amendments.

BACKGROUND:

Currently, Ordinance No. 348 does not allow for surface mining permits and their accompanying reclamation plans to be processed pursuant to the fast track procedures established in Ordinance No. 348. Additionally, Ordinance No. 555 does not allow for such permits and reclamation plans to be processed pursuant to the fast track procedures set forth in Ordinance No. 348. These proposed ordinance amendments would allow the potential for surface mining permits and their accompanying reclamation plans to be processed pursuant to the fast track procedures established in Ordinance No. 348 as is authorized for all other land use entitlements.

Applications for any surface mining permit and reclamation plan would still need to be designated as a fast track project by a majority vote of the Board or by the EDA Director as set forth in Board of Supervisors Policy A-32 in order to be processed pursuant to the fast track procedures.



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FISCAL:

Board Policy A-67 requires the development of a fiscal analysis to determine the appropriate level and appropriation of funding required for an ordinance amendment. I have been advised by staff that amendments of this nature would entail very limited changes to Ordinance Nos. 348 and 555. Both County Counsel and the Planning Department anticipate no more than 15 hours of staff time combined will need to be allocated to these amendments, if initiated. This comes to an approximate amount of \$2,250.00.