

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

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**FROM:** TLMA and Planning Department

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**  
February 6, 2013

**SUBJECT:** FAIRSCORE Committee Progress Report

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors receive and file this progress report for the FAIRSCORE process.

**BACKGROUND:** At its January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013 meeting the Board of Supervisors approved the appointment of a committee to participate in the Facilitate Accredited Impartial Required Studies County Entities (FAIRSCORE) process. This committee is tasked with assessing our current environmental review and consultant selection process and making recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on appropriate changes and enhancements that will make our process more open, transparent, and effective.

Departmental Concurrence

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Planning Director  
JCP/dlp  
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Director of Transportation and Land Management

<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ N/A	In Current Year Budget:	N/A
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ N/A	Budget Adjustment:	N/A
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ N/A	For Fiscal Year:	2012/2013

<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS:</b> N/A	<b>Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<b>Requires 4/5 Vote</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

APPROVE

*Tina Grande*  
BY: Tina Grande

**County Executive Office Signature**

- Policy
- Consent
- Dept't Recomm.:
- Policy
- Consent
- Per Exec. Ofc.:

**Prev. Agn. Ref.** 3.59 11/20/12  
3.33 01/08/13

**District:** ALL

**Agenda Number:**

**3-61**

The Committee met on January 30, 2013 and is scheduled to have its second meeting on February 27<sup>th</sup>. These meetings are conducted in accordance with the Brown Act and are open to the public.

The Committee identified the following tasks to focus on:

- Improving transparency by increasing public participation/accessibility through early public outreach and use of electronic media.
- Provide the Board of Supervisors with a report comparing the pros and cons of the current process with models used in other jurisdictions.
- Consider when peer review of environmental documents may be appropriate.
- Review how the County establishes, reviews and utilizes the authorized consultant list.
- Review the standard three party MOU between the County, Consultants, and the Applicant, which establishes communication protocols.
- Consider the appropriateness of penalties or sanctions for violations of the MOU.
- Consider a process for the County to regularly brief consultants on the latest legislative and legal decisions that impact land use.
- Provide broad-level suggestions to the Board of Supervisors on CEQA reform topics for the County to consider pursuing through its legislative agenda.

The Committee anticipates holding another 4 meetings to finalize its work and expects to provide a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors by the end of May.