

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL
BY: GREGORY P. PRIAMOS DATE: 6/15

Departmental Concurrence

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

301A



FROM: TLMA – Transportation Department

SUBMITTAL DATE:


June 1, 2015

SUBJECT: Amendment No. 2 to the Funding Agreement between the Coachella Valley Association of Governments and the County of Riverside to Complete the Right-of-Way Activities for the Avenue 66 Railroad Grade Separation Project. 4th District; [\$5,875,000]; Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) 55%, Development Impact Fee (DIF) Funds 33%, Gas Tax 12%

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the attached Amendment No. 2 to the County of Riverside – CVAG Reimbursement Agreement for the Avenue 66 Railroad Grade Separation Project; and
2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to execute the same.


Patricia Romo
Assistant Director of Transportation


Juan C. Perez
Director of Transportation and Land Management

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost:	POLICY/CONSENT (Per Exec. Office)
COST	\$ 100,000	\$ 1,775,000	\$ 5,875,000	\$ 0	Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Policy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	

SOURCE OF FUNDS: Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) 55%, Development Impact Fee (DIF) 33%, and Gas Tax 12%. There are no General Funds used in this project.

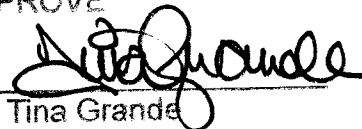
Budget Adjustment: No

For Fiscal Year: 14/15 & 15/16

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

BY:


Tina Grande

County Executive Office Signature

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Ashley, seconded by Supervisor Benoit and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Tavaglione, Washington, Benoit and Ashley
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: June 30, 2015
xc: Transp.

Kecia Harper-Ihem
Clerk of the Board

By: 
Deputy

Prev. Agn. Ref.: 5/17/11, Item 3-29; 7/12/11, 3-43; 6/17/14, Item 3-62; 6/17/14, Item 3-63

District: 4

Agenda Number:

3-68

☐ A-30
☐ Positions Added
☐ 4/5 Vote
☐ Change Order

BACKGROUND:

Summary

Avenue 66 is the primary access to the community of Mecca from State Route 86. However, Avenue 66 currently does not cross the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR), creating a gap that requires through traffic to use a circuitous route north onto Highway 111 and crossing the railroad tracks at grade on 4th Street. A substantial number of agricultural freight trucks use this crossing on a regular basis and cause backups at the railroad tracks.

The proposed Avenue 66 Railroad Grade Separation Project would provide a grade separation of Avenue 66 and the UPRR and provide a direct east-west connection of Avenue 66. The 4th Street crossing will remain open to local traffic and access to Highway 111. The proposed Avenue 66 grade separation would provide a more direct route for agricultural trucks, emergency vehicles and through traffic, and avoid conflicts and delays with the railroad train traffic.

On May 17, 2011 (Item 3-29), the Board of Supervisors approved a Funding Agreement between CVAG and the County of Riverside (County) to provide \$500,000 in funding for preliminary engineering and environmental services for the Avenue 66 Railroad Grade Separation Project.

On July 12, 2011 (Item 3-43), the Board of Supervisors approved an Engineering and Environmental Services Agreement between Dokken Engineering and the County to perform the preliminary engineering and environmental services for the Avenue 66 Railroad Grade Separation Project.

On June 17, 2014 (Item 3-62), the Board of Supervisors approved Amendment No. 1 to the original Funding Agreement between CVAG and the County to provide an additional \$850,000 in funding for final design.

On June 17, 2014 (Item 3-63) the Board of Supervisors approved Amendment No. 1 to the Engineering and Environmental Services Agreement between Dokken Engineering and the County to Provide Final Engineering Services for the Avenue 66 Railroad Grade Separation Project.

The California Transportation Commission is considering an update to the Trade Corridors Improvement Fund (TCIF) Program savings policy to extend the savings utilization deadline by two years. The extended deadline would require that the Avenue 66 Railroad Grade Separation Project begin construction by December 2016. County staff has determined that the Avenue 66 Railroad Grade Separation Project is a viable candidate to receive funding from this program should the extension be approved.

This Amendment No. 2 of the funding agreement between CVAG and the County provides the additional funding necessary for the utility coordination and right-of-way acquisition phase of the project.

Original authorization	\$500,000
Amendment No. 1	\$850,000
Amendment No. 2	<u>\$1,875,000</u>
Total	\$3,225,000

Project No. B8-0664

Impact on Residents and Businesses

UPRR and State Highway 86 are important North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) freight corridors to and from Mexico. Currently, up to 71 freight trains pass through the County daily on this rail line, with that number projected to increase to approximately 107 by the year 2030. The surrounding community, vehicle traffic, and rail users will benefit from the construction of this project through the following:

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- Improved traffic circulation and reduced delays by providing uninterrupted and efficient access for agricultural trucks, motorists, residents, businesses, pedestrians, and emergency vehicles
- Increase public safety by providing a separation for vehicles, bicycles, and pedestrians from train traffic
- Reduce particulate matter and greenhouse gasses from idling cars and trucks

SUPPLEMENTAL:**Additional Fiscal Information**

The preliminary engineering, environmental, design, and right-of-way tasks for the Avenue 66 Railroad Grade Separation Project are being funded by CVAG funds and Coachella-Eastern Area Development Impact Fees (DIF).

Avenue 66 Railroad Grade Separation Project Budget

Phase	Funding Source		
	CVAG	DIF	Gas Tax
Preliminary Engineering/Environmental	\$500,000	\$338,000	\$500,000
Design	\$850,000	\$976,250	\$210,750
Right-of-Way	\$1,875,000	\$625,000	
Totals	\$3,225,000	\$1,939,250	\$710,750
Total – All Phases	\$5,875,000		

Contract History and Price Reasonableness

N/A

Attachments

Vicinity Map
Figure 3 Build Alternative

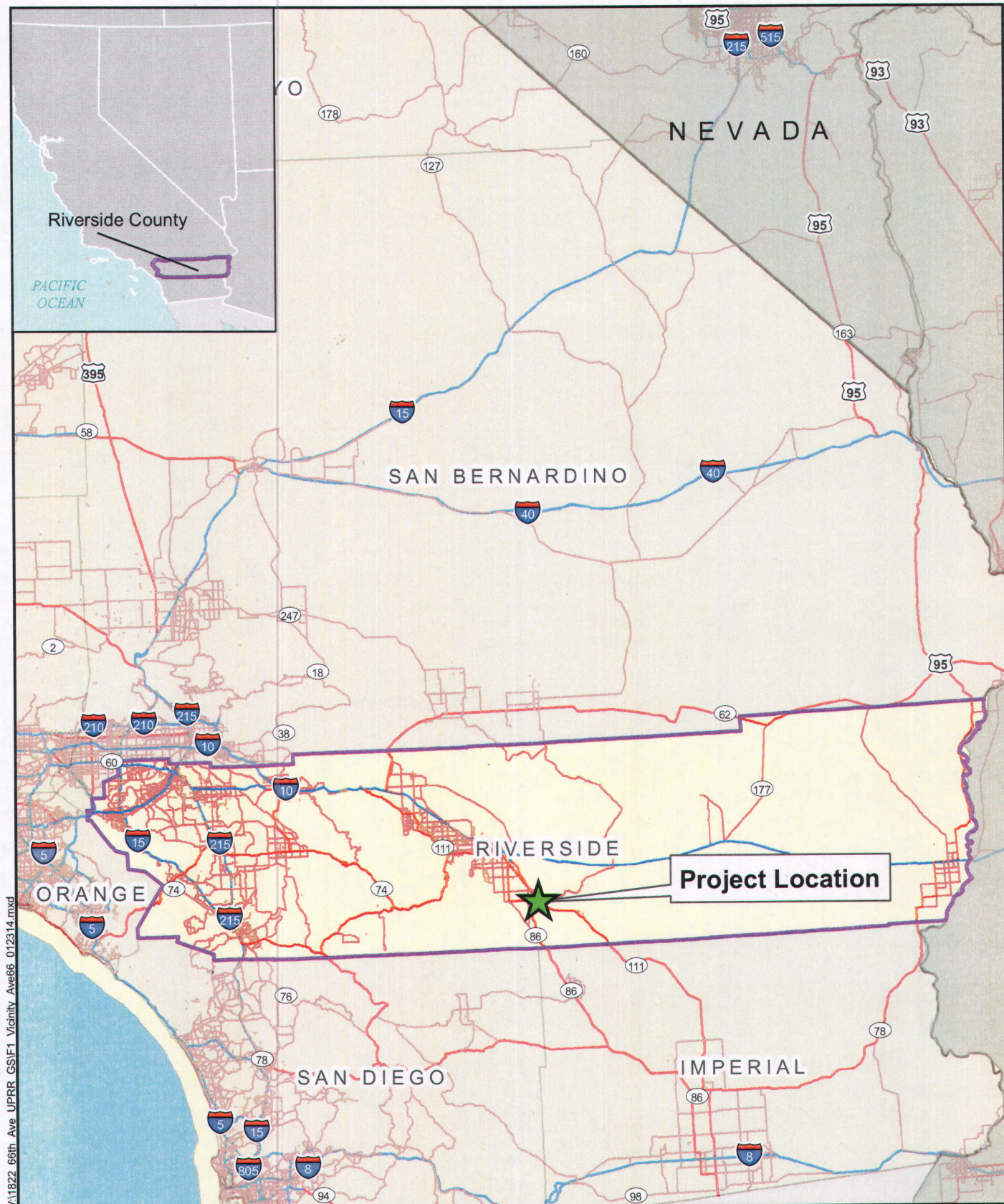


FIGURE 1

Project Vicinity

Federal Project # PNRSCML 5956 (221)

Avenue 66 Grade Separation Project

Community of Mecca, Riverside County, California

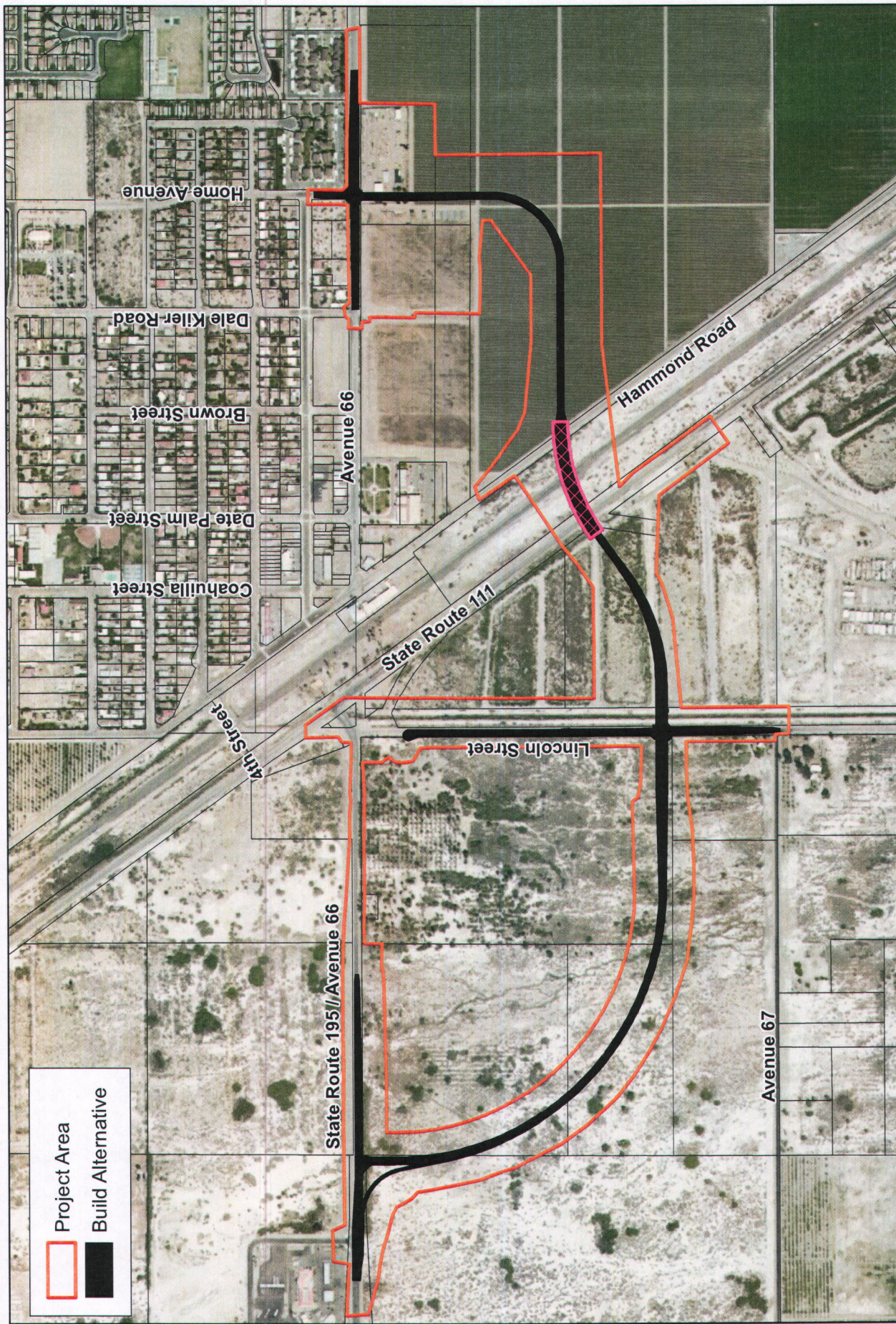


FIGURE 3

BUILD ALTERNATIVE

Federal Project # PNRSCML 5956 (221)

Avenue 66 Grade Separation Project

Community of Mecca, Riverside County, California

Source: ArcGIS 10; Dokken Engineering 5/14/2015; Created By: cheryz

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AMENDMENT NUMBER TWO
to the

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE - CVAG REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT
for the

AVENUE 66 GRADE SEPARATION PROJECT

THIS **Amendment Number Two** is made and entered into this 29th day of September, 2014, by and between the **County of Riverside (Lead Agency)**, and the Coachella Valley Association of Governments, a California joint powers agency, (CVAG), and is made with reference to the following background facts and circumstances. All other provisions in the existing **Reimbursement Agreement for the Avenue 66 Grade Separation Project**, and in the existing Amendment Number One, remain in force.

This **Amendment Number Two** obligates, and authorizes for expenditure, funds not previously authorized under the terms of the existing Reimbursement Agreement, approved by CVAG's Executive Committee at their meeting of December 6, 2010. By that Reimbursement Agreement, CVAG agreed to a 50% Regional Share of projects costs established as being \$500,000. In addition, at their meeting on February 24, 2014, the CVAG Executive Committee approved Amendment Number One for an additional \$850,000 as CVAG's 50% Regional Share of additional work required to complete the design for the project. Approval of Amendment Number One increased CVAG's total Regional Share of project costs to \$1,350,000.

The County of Riverside is requesting additional funds in addition to the amount previously estimated to complete the work. The County of Riverside has requested an additional \$1,875,000, as CVAG's 75% Regional Share of \$2,500,000, for work required to complete the Acquisition of Right of Way and Utility Design for the project. **Approval of Amendment Number One will increase CVAG's total Regional Share of project costs to \$3,225,000.**

This Amendment Number Two shall authorize additional project costs in the amount Not-To-Exceed \$1,875,000 for the Avenue 66 Grade Separation Project.

This Amendment Number Two shall establish the Cost Sharing Formula for the Avenue 66 Grade Separation Project henceforth to remain as 75% Regional Share and 25% Local Share.

Summary

Previously obligated and authorized for expenditure (CVAG 50% Share)	\$ 500,000
Previously obligated and authorized for expenditure (CVAG 50% Share)	\$ 850,000

New obligations under this Amendment Number Two (CVAG 75% Share)	<u>\$1,875,000</u>
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Revised Total Amount Authorized for this Project	\$3,225,000
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Amendment Number Two for the Avenue 66 Grade Separation Project to be executed by their duly authorized representatives on this date:

ATTEST:

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

By: *Kecia Harper-Ihem*
Clerk of the Board
KECIA HARPER-IHEM

By: *Marion Ashley*
MARION ASHLEY
Chairman

ATTEST:

CVAG

By: _____
Tom Kirk,
Executive Director

By: *Jan Harnik*
Jan Harnik
CVAG Chair

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL

BY: *Marshall Victor* 06/18/15
MARSHAL L. VICTOR DATE