

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



ITEM
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(ID # 7590)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, July 31, 2018

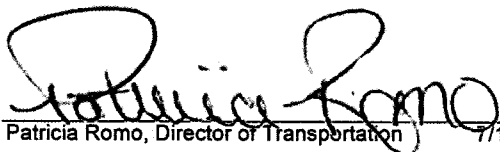
FROM : TLMA-TRANSPORTATION:

SUBJECT: TRANSPORTATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY/ TRANSPORTATION
DEPARTMENT: Safety Enhancement Strategies to Reduce Collision Rates on
County Maintained Roadways. All Districts. [\$0]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Receive and File the Department of Transportation and Department of Public Health's Collaborative Efforts to Develop Safety Enhancement Strategies on Certain County Maintained Roadways.

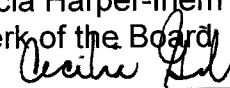
ACTION: Policy


Patricia Romo, Director of Transportation 7/13/2018

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Jeffries, seconded by Supervisor Perez and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is received and filed as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Tavaglione, Washington and Perez
Nays: None
Absent: Ashley
Date: July 31, 2018
xc: Transp.

Kecia Harper-Ihem
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A			Budget Adjustment:	No
			For Fiscal Year:	18/19

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

In recent months there has been an increase in the number of injury and fatal collisions across Riverside County. In the last two months alone, there were 15 fatalities on County roads, with five of those being on Ramona Expressway. In the last 5 years the County has experienced a 21% increase in fatal collisions, a 46% increase in injury collisions, and a significant increase in traffic volumes.

There has been significant growth in traffic volume countywide and the county is actively working on several widening projects across the county. Given that these capacity increasing projects take significant time to complete, the County is taking steps to enhance safety now. Reducing collision rates will require a concerted effort between County Departments, the CHP, and the public through capital improvements, education, and awareness.

Given this recent trend, the Transportation and Land Management Agency Director along with the Public Health Director propose to develop strategies to address the rising trend of injury and fatal collisions, including but not limited to:

1. Partner with the CHP to create Safety Enhancement Zones, on designated routes that would allow a double fine penalty for speed violations. Routes being considered include Ramona Expressway, Gilman Springs, Cajalco Road, and Grand Avenue.
2. Partnership with the CHP to increase patrols on Ramona Expressway.
3. Evaluate the feasibility of creating a wider median through the use of additional pavement markings in the center median along Ramona Expressway.
4. Install additional pavement markings to create a wider median along Gilman Springs Road between State Route 60 and State Route 79.
5. Prohibit passing on Gilman Springs Road between State Route 60 and State Route 79.
6. Partner with Public Health to create a Public Safety Awareness campaign, to address high speed driving, driving under the influence, distracted driving, and pedestrian safety.

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7. Rotate placement of changeable message boards in communities to raise awareness of safety.

In addition to the measures listed above, the Transportation Department will continue to explore other feasible safety enhancement measures to achieve our goal of decreasing injury and fatal collisions on County roads.

Impact on Residents and Businesses

The development of these safety strategies are being implemented with the goal of enhancing safety for County residents and businesses.

Additional Fiscal Information

The development and implementation of roadway safety enhancement strategies will be funded 100% by Gas Tax. No general funds will be used.