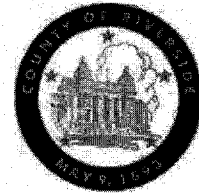


SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



ITEM
3.23
(ID # 7697)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, October 16, 2018

FROM : TLMA-TRANSPORTATION:

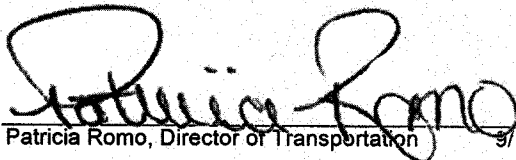
SUBJECT: TRANSPORTATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY/TRANSPORTATION:

Approve the Jurupa Road Grade Separation Project and Find the Project Exempt Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and Adopt Resolution No. 2018-183 Agreeing to Hear Future Resolutions of Necessity For The Jurupa Road Grade Separation Project, District 2. [\$0]; State SB132 Funds 100% (4/5 Vote Required)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Find that the Jurupa Road Grade Separation Project (the Project) is Statutorily Exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act California Code of Regulation, Section 15282 (g) and as set forth in Section 21080.13 of the CEQA Public Resources Code;
2. Approve the Jurupa Road Grade Separation Project and direct the Riverside County Transportation Department to Implement the Project;
3. Adopt Resolution No. 2018-183 Agreeing to Hear Future Resolutions of Necessity for the Jurupa Road Grade Separation Project; and
4. Direct the Clerk of the Board to file the Statutory Exemption with the County Clerk and the Office of Planning and Research for posting within five (5) days of approval of the project.

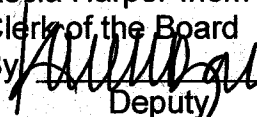
ACTION: Policy, 4/5 Vote Required


Patricia Romo, Director of Transportation 9/14/2018

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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

Ayes: Jeffries, Tavaglione, Washington, Perez and Ashley
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: October 16, 2018
xc: Transp., Planning and Research, Recorder

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:

The Riverside County Transportation Department in cooperation with the City of Jurupa Valley, the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) and the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans) desire to construct a new grade separation to replace the existing Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) at-grade crossing located on Jurupa Road in the City of Jurupa Valley, just east of Van Buren Boulevard. Jurupa Road is a four-lane Arterial Highway that provides access to commercial, industrial and residential land uses in the City. This proposed project will grade separate Jurupa Road and the UPRR mainline tracks with an underpass where it crosses the tracks. The County Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) provides for improvements to the existing Union Pacific Railroad at grade crossing located on Jurupa Road, which is located within the jurisdictional boundaries of the City of Jurupa Valley.

On October 24, 2017 (item 3-14), the Board of Supervisors approved an agreement between the County, the City and the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC), that designated the County as the lead agency to implement the Jurupa Road grade separation project.

Per the terms of the agreement, the County as lead agency, will perform right-of-way activities. Resolution No. 2018-183 will provide the County with the authority to exercise the power of eminent domain on behalf of the City should it become necessary.

Environmental Findings:

The Project will eliminate an existing at-grade crossing at the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) grade crossing located on Jurupa Road in the City of Jurupa Valley. Therefore, the project qualifies for a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Statutory Exemption per the California Code of Regulation (CCR) 15282 (g), such that the Project clearly constitutes the action as described in Public Resource Code (PRC) 21080.13 in which any railroad grade separation project which eliminates an existing grade crossing or which reconstructs an existing grade separation in Section 21080.13 of the Public Resource Code (PRC) is Statutorily Exempt under CEQA.

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Pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines section 15051(a), because the Project is being carried out by the County, the County shall be the CEQA Lead Agency. The County will post the enclosed CEQA Statutory Exemption with the Riverside County Clerk's office and the State Clearinghouse (SCH) pursuant to CEQA.

Impact on Residents and Businesses:

The Project will enhance the operational characteristics (i.e. speed, efficiency, and reliability) of freight and passenger trains throughout Riverside County by eliminating conflicts between railroad operation, residential and commercial vehicular traffic, and is expected to improve vehicular traffic circulation, and provide safer and more efficient access for motorists, residents, businesses, pedestrians and emergency vehicles in the area.

SUPPLEMENTAL:

Additional Fiscal Information:

In April 2017, \$427 million was appropriated under SB-132 to improve five major transportation projects in Riverside County. The Jurupa Road Grade Separation Project was allocated \$108.4 million for the design and construction of a new roadway and structure to grade separate Jurupa Road from the UPRR railroad tracks. Without this approved funding, the project would not have been built for many years. There are no costs associated with the approval of the Project and Resolution.

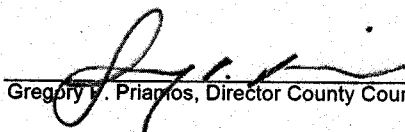
Attachments:

Resolution No. 2018-183

Vicinity Map

Memo to Clerk – Statutory Exemption – Jurupa Grade Separation

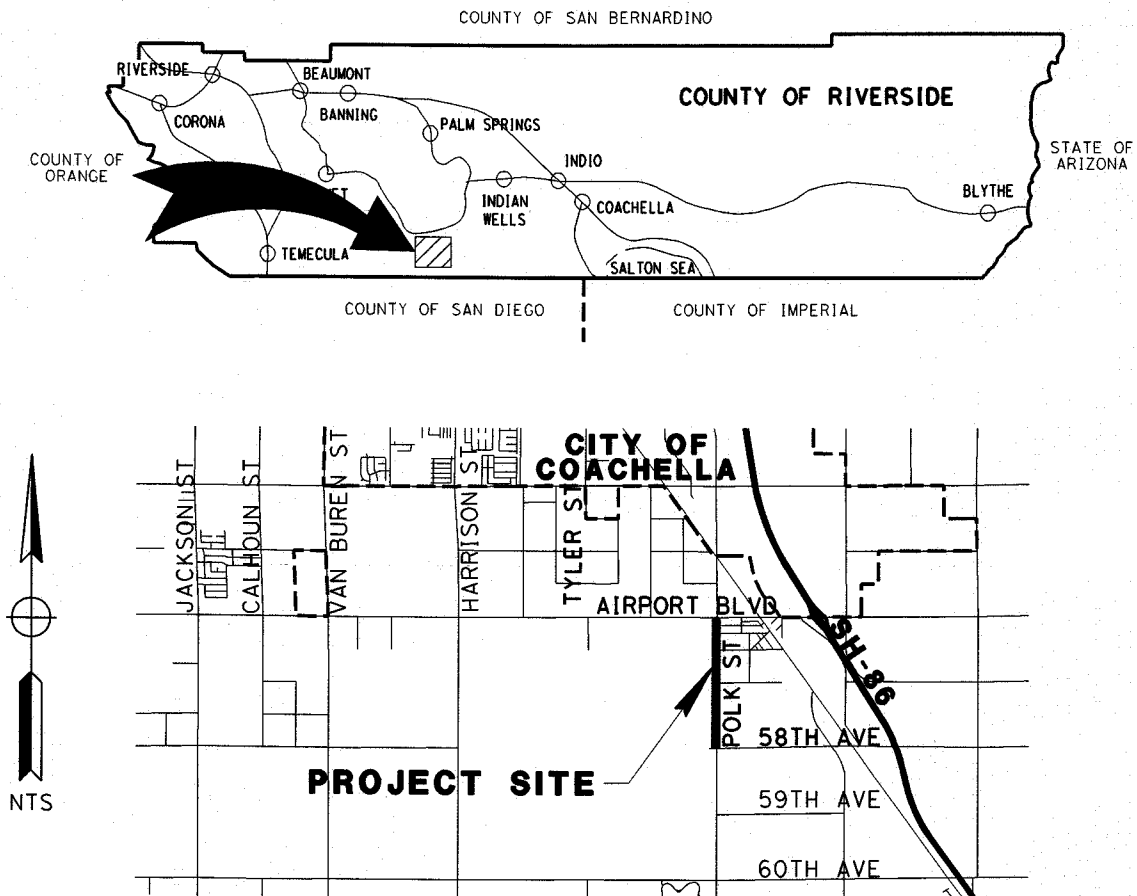
Jurupa Grade Separation Statutory Exemption 8-29-2018



Gregory V. Priamos, Director County Counsel 9/26/2018

**COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE
TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT**

**Polk Street
Resurfacing Project
58th Avenue to Airport Boulevard; and
Sidewalk Improvement Project
Church Street to Airport Boulevard
Community of Thermal
Project No. C3-0062, C6-0057**



TOWNSHIP 6S RANGE 8E SECTION 21 & 22
COUNTY ROAD BOOK PAGE No. 223-A

VICINITY MAP

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3 RESOLUTION NO. 2018-183

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5 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
6 THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE AGREEING TO HEAR FUTURE RESOLUTIONS OF NECESSITY
7 FOR THE JURUPA ROAD GRADE SEPARATION PROJECT

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9 **WHEREAS**, the County of Riverside ("County"), a political subdivision of the State of
10 California, and City of Jurupa Valley ("City"), a municipal corporation, have entered into Agreement No.
11 18-62-058-00 on or about December 11, 2017 in connection with the Jurupa Road Grade Separation
12 Project ("Project"); and

13 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to sections 7, 8, 10 and 11 of Agreement No. 18-62-058-00, the
14 County has agreed to perform right-of-way activities required to acquire the necessary right-of-way for
15 the Project including appraisals, acquisition, relocation and, if necessary, condemnation; and

16 **WHEREAS** the County and City consider the Jurupa Road Grade Separation Project
17 ("Project") to be a priority project and the parties have a mutual interest in improving traffic circulation
18 and promoting safety for the public using Jurupa Road; and

19 **WHEREAS**, the City has represented that it desires for the County to act as lead agency for
20 purposes of providing land acquisition services and exercising eminent domain, if necessary, in relation to
21 the Project; and

22 **WHEREAS**, the County of Riverside ("County") is empowered to acquire property by
23 eminent domain pursuant to Article 1, Section 19 of the California Constitution, and pursuant to various
statutes including Sections 1230.010 et seq. of the California Code of Civil Procedures; and

WHEREAS, California Government Code section 6502 provides that "[I]f authorized by
their legislative or governing bodies, two or more public agencies by agreement may jointly exercise any
power common to the contracting parties", and

WHEREAS, California Code of Civil Procedure section 1240.140(b) provides that "[t]wo or

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL
BY  DATE 9/25/18
KRISTINE BESS-VALDEZ

1 more public agencies may enter into an agreement for the joint exercise of their respective powers of
2 eminent domain, whether or not possessed in common, for the acquisition of property as a single parcel”,
3 and

4 **WHEREAS**, on September 6, 2018 the City adopted Resolution No. 2018-56, a “Resolution
5 of the City Council of the City of Jurupa Valley, California Agreeing to Jointly Exercise Powers of
6 Eminent Domain, and Directing and Authorizing the County of Riverside, California to Act as Lead
7 Agency and Condemn Certain Properties within the City of Jurupa Valley.” Pursuant to Resolution No.
8 2018-56, the City expressly granted to the County the City’s power of eminent domain to acquire
9 necessary real property interests within the City in connection with the Project, and

10 **WHEREAS**, the County desires to acquire real property interests required for the Project
11 and, if necessary, jointly exercise the County’s power of eminent domain with the City to acquire such
12 property interests.

13 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED** by the Board of
14 Supervisors of the County of Riverside, (“Board”), by not less than four-fifths of all members concurring,
15 in regular session assembled on October 16, 2018 at 9:00 a.m., in the meeting room of the Board of
16 Supervisors located on the First Floor of the County Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside,
17 California, that:

- 18 1. Recitals. That all of the above recitals are true and correct.
- 19 2. Pursuant to Government Code section 6502 and the Code of Civil Procedure section
20 1240.140, the County of Riverside agrees to jointly exercise its power of eminent domain
21 with the City of Jurupa Valley in relation to the Project to condemn certain properties in relation to
22 the Project; and
- 23 3. This Board hereby agrees to hear and determine Resolutions of Necessity regarding the Project;
24 and
- 25 4. The County Counsel for the County of Riverside is hereby designated to prepare (in conformance
26 with applicable law), review, approve, and to otherwise process resolutions of necessity packages
27 for the Project, including the Notice of Intention to Adopt Resolution of Necessity and the
28 Resolution of Necessity, prior to those matters being heard by the Board.

2 **RESOLUTION 2018-183**

3 **A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF**
4 **THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE AGREEING TO HEAR FUTURE RESOLUTIONS OF**
5 **NECESSITY FOR THE JURUPA ROAD GRADE SEPARATION PROJECT**

6 ADOPTED by Riverside County Board of Supervisors on October 16, 2018.

7 **ROLL CALL:**

8 **Ayes:** Jeffries, Tavaglione, Washington, Perez and Ashley
9 **Nays:** None
10 **Absent:** None

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12 The foregoing is certified to be a true copy of a resolution duly adopted by said Board of
13 Supervisors on the date therein set forth.

14 **KECIA HARPER-IHEM, Clerk of said Board**

15 By: 
16 Deputy

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COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE
TRANSPORTATION AND
LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Patricia Romo, P.E.
Director of Transportation

Transportation Department

MEMORANDUM

Mojahed Salama, P.E.
Deputy for Transportation/Capital Projects
Richard Lantis, P.L.S.
Deputy for Transportation/Planning and
Development

DATE: September 13, 2018
TO: Mary Ann Meyer, Office of the County Clerk
FROM: Mary Zambon, Environmental Division Manager
RE: W.O. # ZC80060C Task Code #Z1530

Original Negative Declaration/Notice of
Determination was routed to County
Clerks for posting on.

10/16/18 kb
Date Initial

*Via Marcia
Frances Rose*

The Riverside County Transportation Department is requesting that you post the attached California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Notice of Exemption. Attached you will find an authorization to bill by journal voucher in the amount of \$50.00 for your posting fee.

After posting, please return the document to Mail Stop #2136, Attention: Mary Zambon. If you have any questions, please contact Marcia Frances Rose at (951) 955-1505.

Attachment

cc: file



Juan C. Perez, P.E., T.E.
Transportation and Land
Management Agency Director

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

TRANSPORTATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY



Patricia Romo, P.E.
Director of Transportation

Transportation Department NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

September 13, 2018

PROJECT TITLE: Jurupa Road Grade Separation Project
(Cedar Street to E'ly Feldspars Street)
Work Order #ZC80060C, Task Code #Z1530

PROJECT SPONSOR: Riverside County Transportation Department

PROJECT LOCATION: City of Jurupa Valley

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT: 2nd District

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Riverside County Transportation Department (RCTD) in cooperation with the City of Jurupa Valley and the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) desire to construct a new grade separation to replace the existing Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) at-grade crossing located on Jurupa Road in the City of Jurupa Valley, just east of Van Buren Boulevard. Jurupa Road is a four-lane Arterial Highway that provides access to commercial, industrial and residential land uses in the City of Jurupa Valley. This proposed project will grade separate Jurupa Road and the UPRR mainline tracks with an underpass where it crosses the tracks. This improvement will improve vehicular traffic circulation and safety, and will provide uninterrupted and efficient access for motorists, residents, businesses, pedestrians and emergency vehicles in the area. Additionally, the project will enhance the operational characteristics (i.e. speed, efficiency, and reliability) of freight and passenger trains throughout Riverside County by eliminating conflicts between railroad operations and vehicular traffic. The Jurupa Road Grade Separation Project will include all necessary improvements related to the construction of the Project, such as utility relocation, access modifications and construction detours.

This project is subject to compliance with the Western Riverside County MSHCP. In accordance with Section 7.1 of the Western Riverside County MSHCP, the Project is a covered activity, subject to consistency with MSHCP Policies that apply outside of Criteria Area and PQ/P Lands.¹

¹ In accordance with Section 7.1 of the Western Riverside County MSHCP, the Project is a covered activity, subject to consistency with MSHCP Policies that apply outside of Criteria Area¹(such as policies related to Riparian and Riverine Areas, Vernal Pools, Narrow Endemic Plants Species, Additional Survey Needs)

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS: Because the Project will eliminates an existing at-grade crossing at the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) grade crossing located on Jurupa Road in the City of Jurupa Valley, the project qualifies for a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Statutory Exemption per the California Code of Regulation (CCR) 15282 (g), such that the Project clearly constitutes the action as described in Public Resource Code (PRC) 21080.13 in which "any railroad grade separation project which eliminates an existing grade crossing or which reconstructs an existing grade separation is Statutorily Exempt under CEQA per Section 21080.13 of the Public Resource Code (PRC) .²

CEQA Finding:

The Transportation Department staff conducted a review of the project and determined that the project qualifies for a Statutory Exemption per the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guideline 15282 (g), and the Public Resource Code (PRC) 21080.13

The Riverside County Transportation Department has found that the above-described project is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), based on the following:

California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Section 15282 (g)

By: _____

Signed: _____

Mary Zambon
Russell Williams, Environmental Division Manager

² See: Association of Environmental Professions 2019 CEQA Statute and Guidelines, Article 18. Statutory Exemption, Sections 15260 to 15285, Authority Cited :Section 21083, Public Resource Code:
References: Section 21080(b)

**RIVERSIDE COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER
AUTHORIZATION
TO BILL
BY JOURNAL VOUCHER**

-TO BE FILLED IN BY SUBMITTING AGENCY-

AUTHORIZATION NUMBER: W.O.#ZC80060C, Task Code Z1530

Accounting String: 537280-20000-31305000-ZC80060C-Z1530

AMOUNT: \$50.00

DATE: September 13, 2018

AGENCY: Riverside County Transportation Department

**THIS AUTHORIZES THE COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER TO ISSUE A VOUCHER FOR
PAYMENT OF ALL FILING AND HANDLING FEES FOR THE ACCOMPANYING
DOCUMENT(S).**

NUMBER OF DOCUMENTS INCLUDED: One (1)

AUTHORIZED BY: Russell Williams, Environmental Division Manager

Signature:

Mary Zambon

PRESENTED BY: Marcia Frances Rose, Senior Transportation Planner

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-TO BE FILLED IN BY COUNTY CLERK-

ACCEPTED BY:

DATE:

RECEIPT # (S)