

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



**ITEM: 3.70**  
(ID # 15364)

**MEETING DATE:**

Tuesday, June 29, 2021

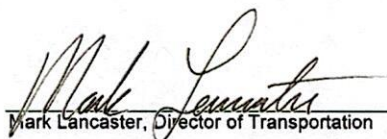
**FROM:** TLMA-TRANSPORTATION:

**SUBJECT:** TRANSPORTATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY/TRANSPORTATION  
DEPARTMENT: Ordinance No. 500.3 - Adoption of Amendment to Ordinance No. 500  
Reducing the Permissible Weight of Certain Vehicles on Identified County Highways in the  
Home Gardens and El Cerrito Areas. District 2. [\$3,000 Total Cost - Gas Tax 100%]

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Find that the Adoption of Amendment to Ordinance No. 500 is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b)(3) – Common Sense Exemption;
2. Adopt Ordinance No. 500.3, Amending Ordinance No. 500 relating to Reducing the Permissible Weight of Certain Vehicles on Identified County Highways that are within residential areas of Riverside County;
3. Direct the Clerk of the Board to publish Ordinance 500.3 pursuant to Government Code Section 25124; and
4. Direct the Clerk of the Board to file the Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk for posting within five (5) working days.

**ACTION: Policy**

  
Mark Lancaster, Director of Transportation

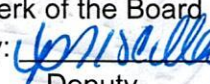
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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Washington, seconded by Supervisor Jeffries and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended, and that Ordinance 500.3 is adopted with waiver of the reading.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez, Hewitt  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Date: June 29, 2021  
xc: Transp., COB, Recorder

Kecia R. Harper  
Clerk of the Board  
By:   
Deputy

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<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	<b>Current Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Next Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Total Cost:</b>	<b>Ongoing Cost</b>
<b>COST</b>	\$ 0	\$ 3,000	\$ 0	\$ 3,000
<b>NET COUNTY COST</b>	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS:</b> Gas Tax (100%). No General Funds used in this project.			<b>Budget Adjustment:</b> No	
			<b>For Fiscal Year:</b> 21/22	

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

**BACKGROUND:**

**Summary**

In accordance with the California Vehicle Code, the Board of Supervisors has the authority to reduce the permissible weight of commercial vehicles on select county highways that are within residential areas if the use is determined to adversely affect safety. Ordinance No. 500 establishes and implements these permissible weight reductions and provides exemptions for certain commercial vehicles such as public transit buses, emergency response vehicles, etc. The proposed Ordinance amendment includes the addition of commercial vehicle permissible weight restrictions on certain county highways in accordance with California Vehicle Code (CVC), Sections 21101, 35712, and 35713. The restriction shall not be effective until signs are posted to give public notice of the weight restriction.

Based upon the results of an engineering study which included the circulation of commercial vehicles and existing field conditions in select residential areas, the Transportation Department has determined that the subject county highways within these residential areas are not suitable for use by commercial vehicles in excess of 14,000 pounds (7 tons), and therefore recommends the introduction of reduced permissible weight restrictions along the county highways summarized in the List of Proposed 7-Ton Commercial Vehicle Weight Restrictions. Additionally, the Ordinance amendment includes alternate route designations for affected commercial vehicles.

**Previous Agenda References**

December 15, 2020 (Item 3.45) - Initiation of Ordinance Amendment 500.2

June 22, 2021 (Item 3.36) - Introduction of Ordinance Amendment 500.3

**Environmental Findings**

The County has determined that the project is exempt from CEQA because it meets the criteria set forth for the commonsense exemption. As detailed in Section 15061(b)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines, the commonsense exemption states that CEQA only applies to projects which have the potential of causing a significant effect on the environment.



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Reducing the weight of commercial vehicles in certain residential areas will reduce the impact on the environment and redirect the commercial vehicles to streets more suited for these vehicles. The adoption of the ordinance amendment can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, therefore the activity is not subject to CEQA.

**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

Community concerns have been raised regarding an increase of commercial vehicle traffic within residential areas. Commercial vehicles tend to utilize county highways as cut-through routes in an attempt to avoid traffic congestion on regional highways. In regard to business impacts, commercial vehicles that have direct business along reduced permissible weight county highways are exempt from the restrictions. Alternate routes have been designated for non-exempt commercial vehicles.

**SUPPLEMENTAL:**

**Additional Fiscal Information**

Board of Supervisors Policy No. A-67 requires that the Board of Supervisors consider the cost associated with preparing, processing, and implementing an ordinance amendment in deciding whether to adopt an order initiating the ordinance amendment. The cost to reduce the permissible weight of commercial vehicles is primarily for the installation of the required regulatory signs, which is estimated at about \$3,000 per amendment.

**Contract History and Price Reasonableness**

N/A

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Ord 500.3 Vicinity Map

Ord 500.3

Ord 500.3 List of Proposed 7-Ton Commercial Vehicle Weight Restrictions

Ord 500.3 Exhibits; 7-Ton Commercial Vehicle Weight Restrictions

Notice of Exemption

Journal Voucher



Jason Farin, Principal Management Analyst

6/22/2021



Gregory L. Priamos, Director County Counsel

6/16/2021





1 h. On Temescal Canyon Road between Tom Barnes Street and  
2 Minnesota Road, a total of approximately 0.67 miles, in the El Cerrito  
3 area. The alternate route for this restriction is designated in Section  
4 9.1, subsection f of this ordinance.”

5 Section 4. Subsection c of Section 9.1 of Ordinance No. 500 is amended to read as  
6 follows:

7 “c. Temescal Canyon Road between:

- 8 (i) Indian Truck Trail and Horsethief Canyon Road, and  
9 (ii) Campbell Ranch Road and Indian Truck Trail.”

10 Section 5. New subsections e and f are added to Section 9.1 of Ordinance No.  
11 500 to read as follows:

12 “e. Magnolia Avenue

13 f. Interstate 15”

14 Section 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after  
15 its adoption.

16 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY  
17 OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

18 BY:

Karen S. Spiegel  
SUPERVISOR KAREN SPIEGEL, Chair

19 ATTEST:  
20 KECIA HARPER,  
21 CLERK OF THE BOARD

22 By:

[Signature]  
Deputy

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25 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

26 By:

Sarah K. Moore  
27 Sarah K. Moore  
28 Deputy County Counsel

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11 STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
12 COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ) ss  
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14 I HEREBY CERTIFY that at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of said county  
15 held on June 29, 2021, the foregoing ordinance consisting of 6 Sections was adopted by  
16 the following vote:

17 AYES: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt

18 NAYS: None

19 ABSENT: None  
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22 DATE: June 29, 2021

23 KECIA R. HARPER  
Clerk of the Board

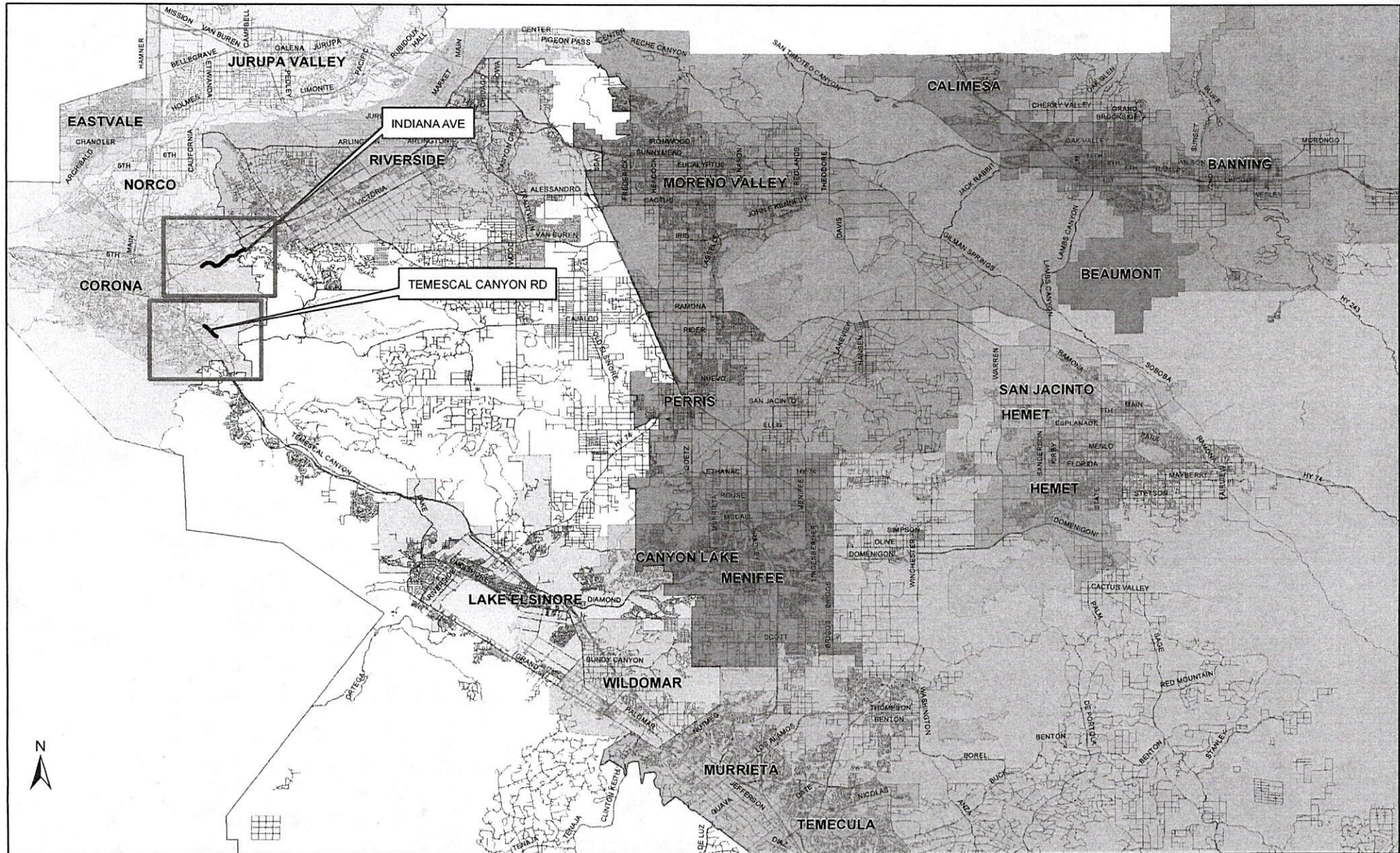
24 BY:   
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Deputy

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**DISTRICT 2: 7-TON COMMERCIAL VEHICLE RESTRICTION VICINITY MAP  
ORDINANCE 500.3**



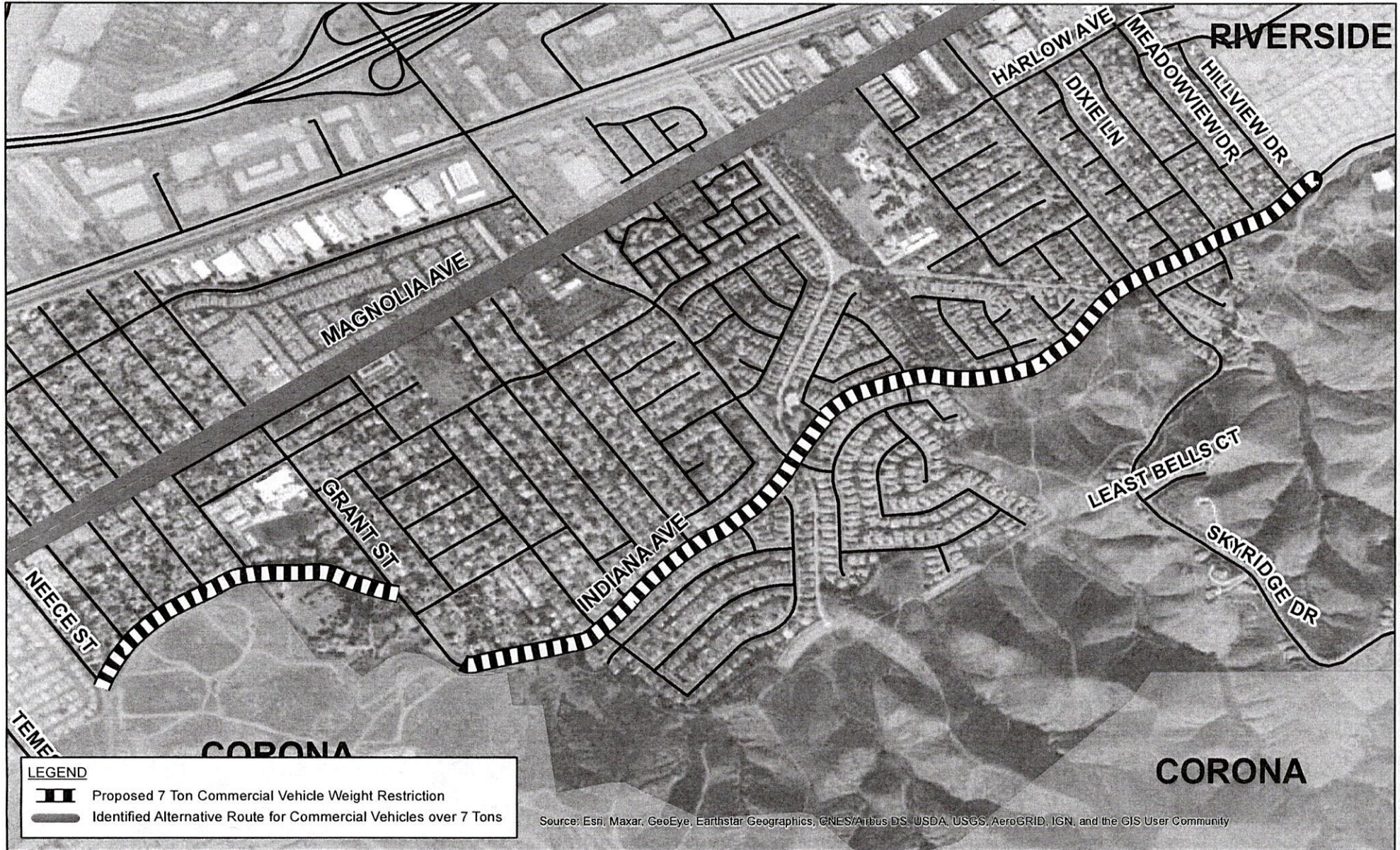


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PROPOSED 7-TON COMMERCIAL VEHICLE WEIGHT RESTRICTION IN THE HOME GARDENS AREA  
(INDIANA AVE BTWN NEECE ST & GRANT ST / GRANT ST & HILLVIEW DR)



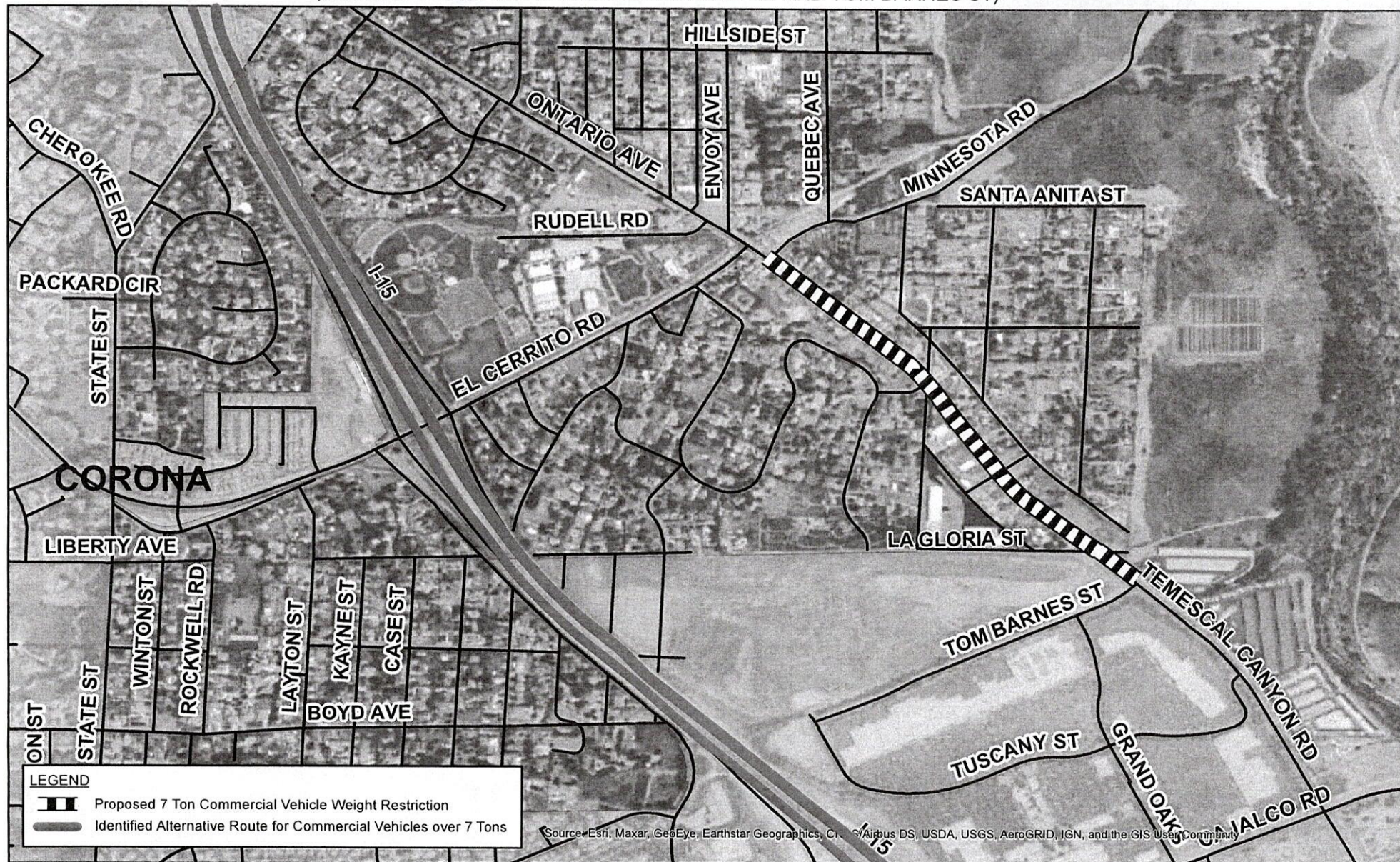


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# PROPOSED 7-TON COMMERCIAL VEHICLE WEIGHT RESTRICTION IN THE EL CERRITO AREA (TEMSECAL CANYON RD BTWN MINNESOTA RD AND TOM BARNES ST)





**LIST OF PROPOSED 7-TON COMMERCIAL VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS**  
**ORDINANCE AMENDMENT NO: 500.3**  
**SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 2**

AREA	ROAD NAME/ LIMITS	DESIGNATED ALTERNATIVE ROUTE	NOTES
HOME GARDENS	<b>INDIANA AVENUE</b> Between Neece Street and Grant Street	Magnolia Avenue	NEW RESTRICTION
HOME GARDENS	<b>INDIANA AVENUE</b> Between Grant Street and Hillview Drive (City of Riverside limits)	Magnolia Avenue	NEW RESTRICTION
EL CERRITO	<b>TEMESCAL CANYON ROAD</b> Between Tom Barnes Street and Minnesota Road	Interstate 15	NEW RESTRICTION

April 14, 2021





Mark Lancaster  
Director of Transportation

# COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

## TRANSPORTATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY

### Transportation Department

#### NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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

May 20, 2021

**PROJECT TITLE:** Amendment to Ordinance No. 500– Reducing the permissible weight of certain vehicles on identified county highways.  
Work Order# Z621000 Task Code #Z5110

**PROJECT SPONSOR:** Riverside County Transportation Department

**PROJECT LOCATION:** Home Gardens and El Cerrito Areas

**SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT:** District 2

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

Ordinance No. 500.3 amends and replaces Ordinance No. 500.2 to reduce the permissible weight of certain vehicles on identified county highways. Ordinance No. 500.3 is to include the addition of subsection:

- f. Indiana Avenue between Neece Street and Grant Street, a total of approximately 0.45 miles in the Home Gardens area.
- g. Indiana Avenue between Grant Street and Hillview Drive (at the city of Riverside limits), a total of approximately 1.45 miles, in the Home Gardens area.
- h. Temescal Canyon Road between Tom Barnes Street and Minnesota Road, a total of approximately 0.67 miles, in the El Cerrito area.

Public transit buses, emergency response vehicles, and any other vehicles listed in section 4 of Ordinance No. 500.3 are exempt from this ordinance.

**ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:**

The addition of the above mentioned sections of Indiana Avenue and Temescal Canyon Road improves and regulates vehicle traffic on highways, roads and bridges in or near residential areas pursuant to provisions in the California Vehicle Code so as to improve quality of life and traffic safety. The restriction shall not be effective until signs are posted to give public notice of the weight restriction. Additionally, the Ordinance amendment includes alternate route designates for affected commercial vehicles.

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:

Original Negative Declaration/Notice of  
Determination was routed to County  
Clerks for posting on.  
4/30/21  
Date  
Initial



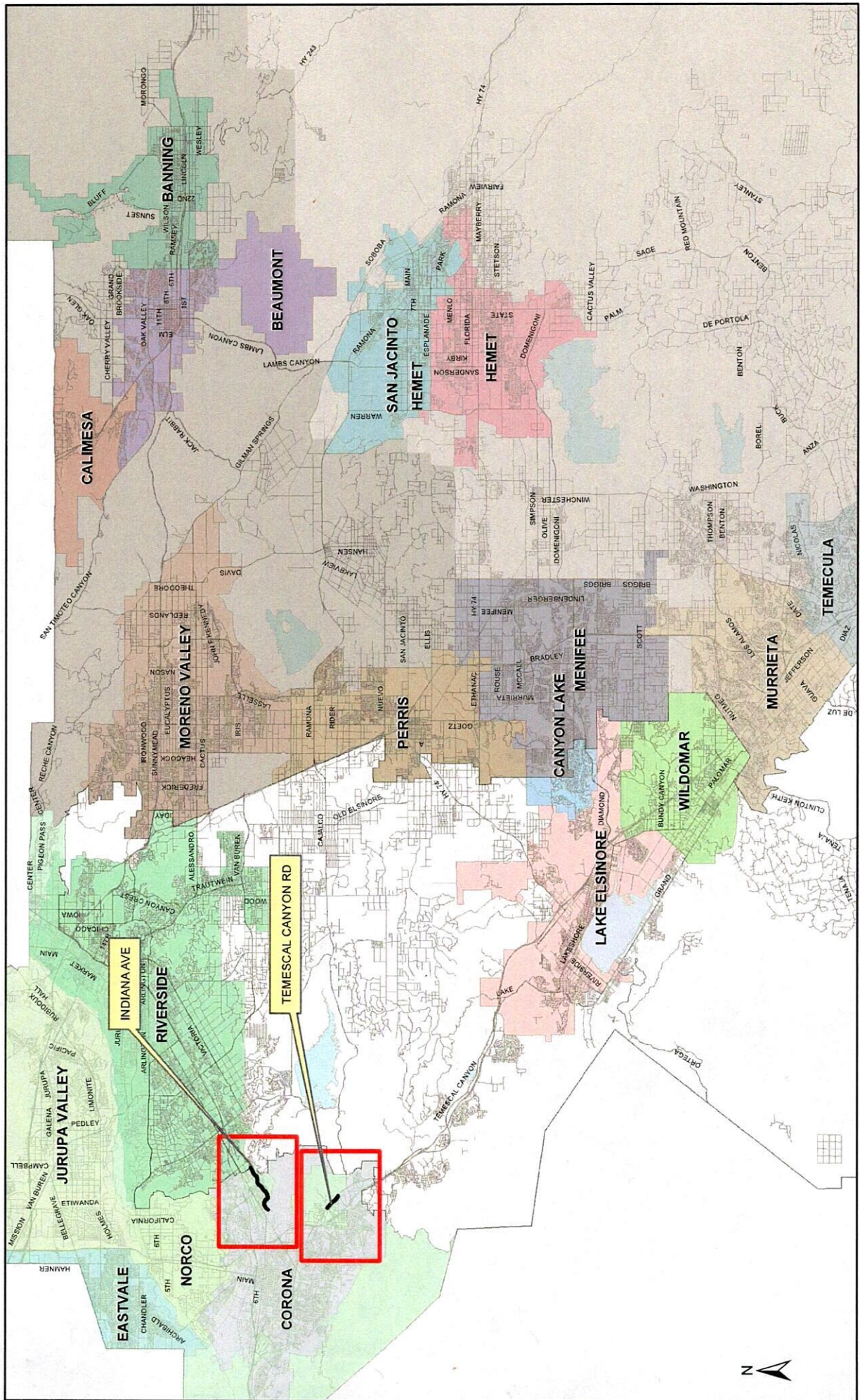
**Section 15061(b)(3) - Common Sense Exemption** - The activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA.

By: John Cylwik, Assistant Transportation Planner

Signed: Mary Zambon  
Mary Zambon, Environmental Project Manager



**DISTRICT 2: 7-TON COMMERCIAL VEHICLE RESTRICTION VICINITY MAP  
ORDINANCE 500.3**







*Mark Lancaster, P.E.  
Director of Transportation*

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### Transportation Department

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DATE: May 20, 2021

TO: Josefina Castillo-Avila, ACR Technician III  
MZ

FROM: Mary Zambon, Environmental Project Manager

RE: **Adoption of Amendment to Ordinance No. 500 – Reducing the permissible weight of certain vehicles on identified county highways**  
Work Order# Z621000 Task Code #Z5110

The Riverside County Transportation Department is requesting that you post the attached Notice of Exemption per County Implementing Resolution No. 82-213, Division 11, Section 205C. 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: John Cylwik. If you have any questions, please contact John at [jcylwik@rivco.org](mailto:jcylwik@rivco.org).

Attachment

cc: file



**RIVERSIDE COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER**

**AUTHORIZATION  
TO BILL  
BY JOURNAL VOUCHER**

**-TO BE FILLED IN BY SUBMITTING AGENCY-**  
**537280-20000-3130500000 Z621000 Z5110**

AUTHORIZATION NUMBER: W.O.#Z621000, Task Code Z5110

AMOUNT: \$50.00

DATE: May 20, 2021

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: Mary Zambon, Environmental Project Manager

Signature: Mary Zambon

PRESENTED BY: John Cylwik, Assistant Transportation Planner

**-TO BE FILLED IN BY COUNTY CLERK-**

ACCEPTED BY: -

DATE: -

RECEIPT # (S) -