

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



**ITEM: 3.59
(ID # 29062)**

MEETING DATE:
Tuesday, November 18, 2025

FROM : TLMA-TRANSPORTATION

SUBJECT: TRANSPORTATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY/TRANSPORTATION:
Approval of the Plans and Specifications and Authorization to Advertise for Bid for the Construction of New Chicago Avenue Resurfacing and Ramona Expressway Resurfacing Project, in the Community of Valle Vista; CEQA Exempt, District 5. [\$3,338,685 Total Cost - Local Funds 100%] (Clerk to Advertise)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Find that the New Chicago Avenue Resurfacing and Ramona Expressway Resurfacing Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (c) - Existing Facilities;
2. Approve the plans and specifications for the construction of the New Chicago Avenue Resurfacing and Ramona Expressway Resurfacing Project, in the Community of Valle Vista;
3. Authorize the Clerk of the Board to advertise for bids to be received by the office of the Director of Transportation and Land Management at the Transportation Annex located at 3525 14th Street, Riverside, CA 92501. All bids must be received up to the hour of 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 10, 2025, at which time bids will be opened; and
4. Direct the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to file the Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk and the State Clearinghouse for posting within five (5) working days.


ACTION:Policy


Dennis Acuna, Director of Transportation 10/28/2025

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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

Ayes: Medina, Spiegel, Washington, Perez, and Gutierrez
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: November 18, 2025
xc: Transp., Recorder, State Clearinghouse, COB/NS

Kimbelly A. Rector
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$ 3,338,685	\$ 0	\$ 3,338,685	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: Gas Tax/SB-1 (99.7%), and Lake Hemet Municipal Water District (0.3%). There are no General Funds used in this project.			Budget Adjustment: No	
			For Fiscal Year: 25/26	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

The County of Riverside Transportation Department is proposing to resurface the full width of an approximate 0.26-mile segment of New Chicago Avenue and 1.3-mile segment of Ramona Expressway in the Community of Valle Vista of Riverside County. The limits of New Chicago Avenue are East Florida Avenue / State Highway 74 (SH-74) to Lincoln Avenue, and the limits of Ramona Expressway are from SH-74 to Lake Street (City of Hemet limit line).

The projects are combined to bid as one project in order to gain cost efficiencies by eliminating multiple bidding and administrative procedures and to seek more favorable proposed costs associated with larger bid quantities.

New Chicago Avenue is a two-lane facility that travels in the North-South direction with a road width of 27 feet to 53 feet. At the project limits, Ramona Expressway is a four-lane facility with painted and raised median that travels in the Northwest-Southeast direction with a road width of 57 feet to 86 feet. The circulation element of the County of Riverside General Plan classifies Ramona Expressway as an arterial highway and New Chicago Avenue as a local road. The areas in the immediate vicinity include residential with single family and multi-family dwellings, commercial areas, and vacant parcels.

Roadway resurfacing is needed due to deteriorated pavement conditions. The New Chicago Avenue Resurfacing Project will consist of removing the existing asphalt concrete pavement and underlying material and placing Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA). The Ramona Expressway Resurfacing Project will consist of cold planing a portion of the existing asphalt concrete pavement, sealing existing cracks, installing an Asphalt Rubber Aggregate Membrane (ARAM) (which is a pavement treatment that uses a mixture of asphalt and ground-up tire rubber to create a flexible, waterproof, and crack-resistant membrane), and overlaying with Rubberized Hot Mix Asphalt (RHMA).

Additional improvements include reconstruction of concrete cross gutters and spandrels, curb and gutter, sidewalk and one curb ramp, placement of safety edge to protect the outside edge of

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pavement, and safety features including placing of thermoplastic crosswalk and pavement marking, roadside signs, and other associated work.

The submitted plans and specifications have been approved as to form by County Counsel.

The bid documents include the following bid schedules of work:

Base Bid Schedule 1: New Chicago Avenue Resurfacing
Alternative Bid Schedule 1: Lake Hemet Municipal Water District (LHMWD) Facilities Adjustments
Base Bid Schedule 2: Ramona Expressway Resurfacing
Alternative Bid Schedule 2: LHMWD Facilities Adjustments

The adjustment of the facilities owned by LHMWD, are also included in the bid package as alternative bid schedules one and two. If LHMWD approves the award of alternative bid schedules one and two, as bid by the apparent low bidder, the cost for the work will be funded by the utility owner through reimbursement letter Agreement that will be executed by the Director of Transportation. The Director of Transportation has the authority to sign reimbursement Agreements up to \$100,000 per Minute Order dated November 19, 2019 (Agenda Item 3.25).

The Transportation Department will select the contractor based upon the lowest responsive and responsible bid.

Project Nos. D1-0066 – New Chicago Avenue Resurfacing
D1-0067 – Ramona Expressway Resurfacing

Environmental Findings

The proposed projects are exempt from CEQA under Section 15301 (c) – Existing Facilities exemption because the New Chicago Avenue resurfacing and Ramona Expressway resurfacing do not create additional traffic lanes and involves negligible or no expansion of existing or former use of the existing roadway and associated facilities.

Impact on Citizens and Businesses

The purpose of these projects is to replace existing deteriorated pavement with new hot mix asphalt for the approximate 0.26-mile segment of New Chicago Avenue and with new rubberized hot mix asphalt for the 1.3-mile segment of Ramona Expressway in the Community of Valle Vista to provide the public with a smooth paved roadway that will improve the safety and efficiency of vehicular traffic.

The work is scheduled to begin in the Spring of 2026. The work will be phased to keep the road open during construction as much as possible and will take approximately three months to complete.

SUPPLEMENTAL:

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Additional Fiscal Information

The construction contract is estimated to cost approximately \$3,338,685. The County improvements will be funded with Gas Tax/SB-1 and LHMWD funds.

There are no General Funds used in this project.

Contract History and Price Reasonableness

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

Vicinity Map

Notice to Bidders

Notice of Exemption and Journal Voucher – New Chicago Avenue

Notice of Exemption and Journal Voucher – Ramona Expressway

Specifications and Contract Documents Cover Page



Jason Farin, Principal Policy Analyst 11/12/2025



Aaron Gettis, Chief of Deputy County Counsel 11/4/2025



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PROJECT TITLE
 RAMONA EXPRESSWAY RESURFACING

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE TRANSPORTATION	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL FSEGOVIA@RIVCO.ORG	PHONE NUMBER (951) 955-1646
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 4080 LEMON STREET, 8TH FLOOR	CITY RIVERSIDE	STATE CALI
		ZIP CODE 92501

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

Local Public Agency
 School District
 Other Special District
 State Agency
 Private Entity


CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$4,123.50	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	\$2,968.75	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	\$1,401.75	\$ _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exempt from fee		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption (attach)		
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<input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	\$850.00	\$ _____
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PAYMENT METHOD:

Cash
 Credit
 Check
 Other

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ _____ \$50.00

SIGNATURE 	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Deputy Isabel Tejada
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COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE CLERK & RECORDER

AUTHORIZATION
TO BILL -
BY JOURNAL VOUCHER

-TO BE FILLED IN BY SUBMITTING AGENCY-
537280-20000-3130500000 ZD1-0067C Z1530

AUTHORIZATION NUMBER: W.O.#ZD1-0067C, Task Code Z1530

AMOUNT: \$50.00

DATE: June 25, 2025

AGENCY: County of Riverside 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: Frances Segovia, Senior Transportation Planner

Signature: *Frances Segovia*

PRESENTED BY: David Castro, Associate Transportation Planner

-TO BE FILLED IN BY COUNTY CLERK-

ACCEPTED BY: - **Isabel Tejada**

DATE: - **NOV 18 2025**

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Dennis Acuna, P. E., T. E.
Director of Transportation

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Removed: By: Deputy

6/24/2025

PROJECT TITLE: Ramona Expressway Resurfacing
Work Order#ZD10067C Task Code #Z1530

PROJECT SPONSOR: County of Riverside Transportation Department

PROJECT LOCATION: Community of Valle Vista

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The County of Riverside Transportation Department is proposing to resurface approximately 6,950 feet (1.32 miles) of Ramona Expressway from SH-74 (E. Florida Ave.) to Lake St. located in the community of Valle Vista. The County of Riverside General Plan classifies Ramona Expressway as an Arterial Rd. Ramona Expressway is currently four-lanes, painted and raised center median and ranges from 57 to 86 feet wide with curb and gutter, asphalt concrete dikes, cross gutters, and spandrels. The proposed project will include removing the existing roadway followed by paving back with hot mix asphalt (HMA).

The proposed project will also include:

- Reconstruction of asphalt concrete dike
- Reconstruction of concrete cross gutters and spandrels
- Reconstruct Access Ramp and sidewalk
- Utility adjustments
- Striping of roadway, including pavement markers and reflectors
- Salvage and removal and installation of new signs
- Replace signal head back plates to new standard
- Reinstalling traffic inductive loop detectors

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

The proposed project will not acquire right-of-way. Temporary construction easements will not be required for the proposed improvements.

This project is subject to compliance with the Western Riverside County MSHCP. In accordance with Section 7 of the Western Riverside County MSHCP, necessary operation and maintenance along existing roadways are considered a covered activity outside/inside of cell criteria area/conservation areas. This project is considered to be operation and maintenance; therefore, it is a covered activity under the Western Riverside County MSHCP.

Within 30 days prior to the beginning of ground disturbance, a pre-construction presence/absence survey for the Burrowing Owl shall be conducted by a qualified County biologist, as required by the WRMSHCP. This can be performed simultaneously with the nesting survey if it is required.

If tree and/or vegetation removal takes place during the migratory bird breeding season (February 1 – September 1), a preconstruction nesting survey will be conducted pursuant to the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA).

The County of Riverside 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:

Section 15301 (c) – Existing Facilities – The project proposes to resurface approximately 6,950 feet (1.32 miles) of Ramona Expressway from SH-74 (E. Florida Ave.) to Lake St. located in the community of Valle Vista. The project in its entirety is consistent with Section 15301(c) because it does not create additional traffic lanes and involves no expansion of use of the existing roadway and associated facilities.

By: David Castro, Associate Transportation Planner

Signed: Frances Segovia
Frances Segovia, Senior Transportation Planner

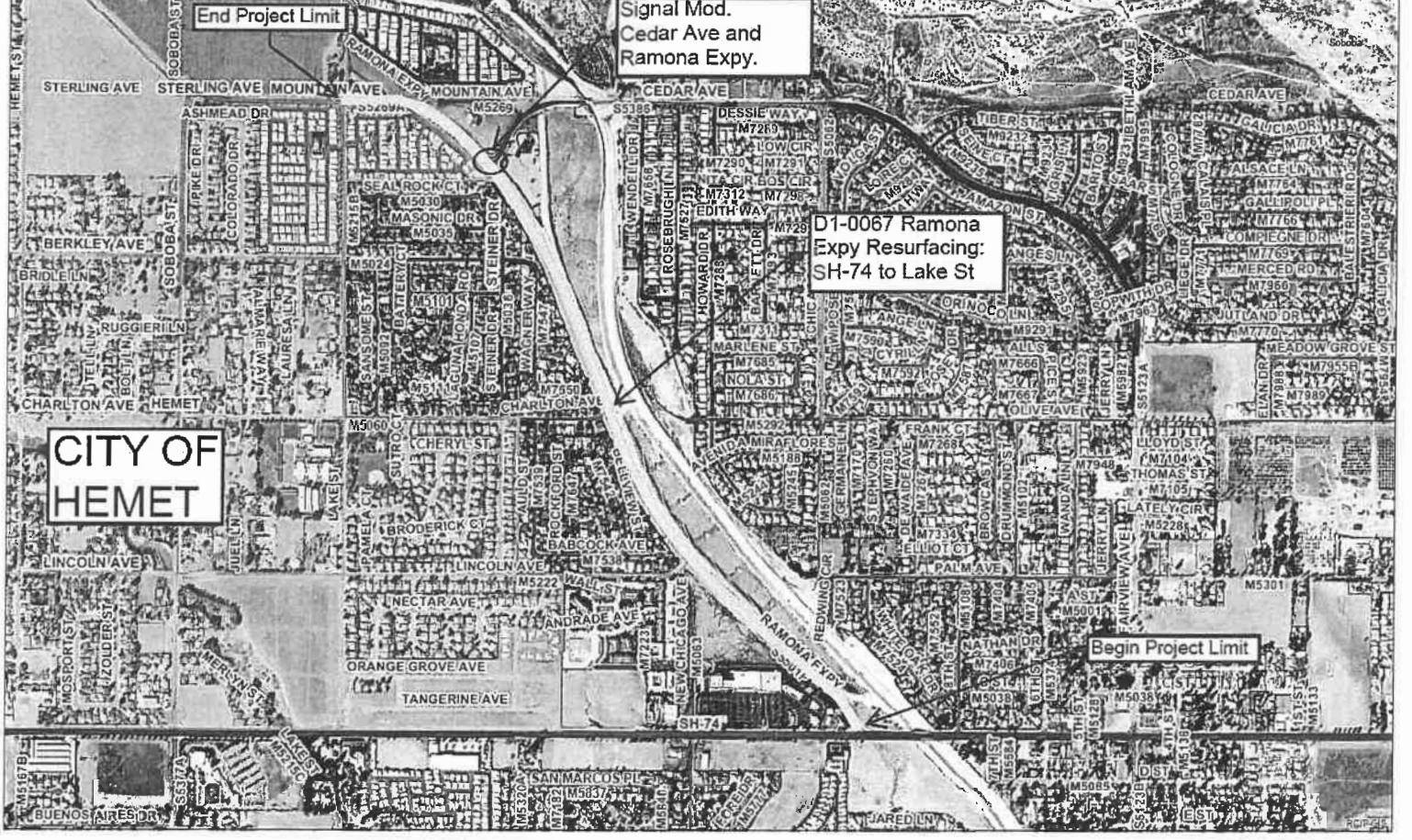
D1-0067 Ramona Expy Resurfacing



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SPECIFICATIONS and CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

for the

CONSTRUCTION

of

**New Chicago Avenue Resurfacing
From SH-74/Florida Avenue to Lincoln Avenue, and**

**Ramona Expressway Resurfacing
From SH-74/Florida Avenue to Lake Street (City of Hemet Limit)**

Community of Valle Vista

Project No. D1-0066, D1-0067



TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL
BY: *Danielle D. Maland*
DANIELLE D. MALAND

Notice to Bidders

County of Riverside, herein called Owner, invites sealed proposals for:

**New Chicago Avenue Resurfacing
From SH-74/Florida Avenue to Lincoln Avenue, and
Ramona Expressway Resurfacing
From SH-74/Florida Avenue to Lake Street (City of Hemet Limit)
Community of Valle Vista
Project No. D1-0066, D1-0067**

Bid shall be delivered to the County of Riverside Transportation Department, 14th Street Annex, 3525 14th Street, Riverside, California 92501, telephone (951) 955-6780 not later than 2:00 p.m., on Wednesday, **December 10, 2025** to be promptly opened in public at said address. Each bid shall be in accordance with plans, specifications and other contract documents, dated **October 2025**, and prepared by County of Riverside, whose address is same as the above, from whom a digital set of documents (bid book and plans) may be obtained upon request, at no cost, or a printed set of bidding documents with 11" x 17" size plans may be obtained upon request for a nonrefundable fee of **\$20.00** per set, plus mailing costs. Email request of bidding documents, with company and contact information, to **Bids-Contracts@rivco.org** and reference this project (or contact the address or telephone number above).

Pursuant to Labor Code section 1771.1, any Contractor bidding, or subcontractor to be listed on a bid proposal subject to Public Contract Code section 4104, shall not be qualified to bid after March 1, 2015, unless currently registered and qualified to perform public works pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5. No Contractor or subcontractor may be awarded a contract or perform work on any contract for public work, after April 1, 2015, without proof of current registration with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 to perform public works.

The County of Riverside, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252) and the Regulations of the Department of Commerce (15 C.F.R., Part 8) and related statutes, issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that minority businesses will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids, and it will affirmatively insure that the contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder without discrimination on the grounds of race, color, sex, national origin, religion, age, or disability.

The Contractor is required to have a Class "A" license at the time of bid submission.

Engineering Estimate:	\$ 685,000 - \$ 795,000	(Base Bid Schedule 1)
	\$ 6,750 - \$ 7,850	(Alternative Bid Schedule 1)
	\$ 2,300,000 - \$ 2,690,000	(Base Bid Schedule 2)
	\$ 2,250 - \$ 2,600	(Alternative Bid Schedule 2)

Bid Bond	10 %
Performance Bond	100 %
Payment Bond	100 %
Working Days	60

Website: <https://trans.rctlma.org/notices-inviting-bids>

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New Chicago Avenue Resurfacing Project

Document Description

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The proposed improvements consist of removing the existing roadway followed by paving back with hot mix asphalt (HMA).

The project will include the following:

- Reconstruction/construct asphalt dikes.
- Reconstruction of concrete cross gutters and spandrels.
- Remove/relocate existing utility.
- Restriping of roadway, including pavement markers and reflectors.
- Salvage/removal and installation of new signs.
- Reinstallation of traffic inductive loop detectors.

Attachments (Upload Project Documents)

3.59 - NOE - New Chicago Ave Resurfacing, Valle Vista.pdf

Contacts

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Regions

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Counties

Riverside

Cities

unincorporated Valle Vista area of Riverside County

Location Details

Other Location Info

Community of Valle Vista

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Exempt Status

Categorical Exemption

Type, Section Number or Code Number

15301(c)

Reasons why project is exempt

The proposed project will not require additional right of way nor temporary construction easements. The project improvements will be within the existing footprint of the roadway.

This project is subject to compliance with the Western Riverside County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP). In accordance with Section 7 of the MSHCP, necessary operation and maintenance along existing roadways are considered a covered activity outside/inside of cell criteria area/conservation areas. This project is considered to be operation and maintenance; therefore, it is a covered activity under the Western Riverside County MSHCP.

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County Clerk(s)

Riverside

Signature

Title

Date

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AUTHORIZED BY: Frances Segovia, Senior Transportation Planner

Signature: *Frances Segovia*

Presented by: Lisa Ann Wadley, PMP, Associate Transportation Planner

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ACCEPTED BY: - **Isabel Tejada**
DATE: - **NOV 18 2025**
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Director of Transportation

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 Work Order #ZD10066C Task Code #Z1530

PROJECT SPONSOR: County of Riverside Transportation Department

PROJECT LOCATION: Community of Valle Vista



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By: Lisa Ann Wadley, PMP, Associate Transportation Planner

Signed: *Frances Segovia*
Frances Segovia, Senior Transportation Planner

New Chicago Avenue Resurfacing



Legend

- County Boundary
- City Boundaries
- World_Street_Map



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Regions

Southern California

Counties

Riverside

Cities

unincorporated Valle Vista area of Riverside County

Location Details**Other Location Info**

Community of Valle Vista

Notice of Exemption**Exempt Status**

Categorical Exemption

Type, Section Number or Code Number

15301(c)

Reasons why project is exempt

The proposed project will not acquire right-of-way. Temporary construction easements will not be required for the proposed improvements.

This project is subject to compliance with the Western Riverside County MSHCP. In accordance with Section 7 of the Western Riverside County MSHCP, necessary operation and maintenance along existing roadways are considered a covered activity outside/inside of cell criteria area/conservation areas. This project is considered to be operation and maintenance; therefore, it is a covered activity under the Western Riverside County MSHCP.

Within 30 days prior to the beginning of ground disturbance, a pre-construction presence/absence survey for the Burrowing Owl shall be conducted by a qualified County biologist, as required by the WRMSHCP. This can be performed simultaneously with the nesting survey if it is required.

If tree and/or vegetation removal takes place during the migratory bird breeding season (February 1 – September 1), a preconstruction nesting survey will be conducted pursuant to the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA).

The County of Riverside 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:

Section 15301 (c) – Existing Facilities – The project proposes to resurface approximately 6,950 feet (1.32 miles) of Ramona Expressway from SH-74 (E. Florida Ave.) to Lake St. located in the community of Valle Vista. The project in its entirety is consistent with Section 15301(c) because it does not create additional traffic lanes and involves no expansion of use of the existing roadway and associated facilities.

County Clerk(s)

Riverside

Signature

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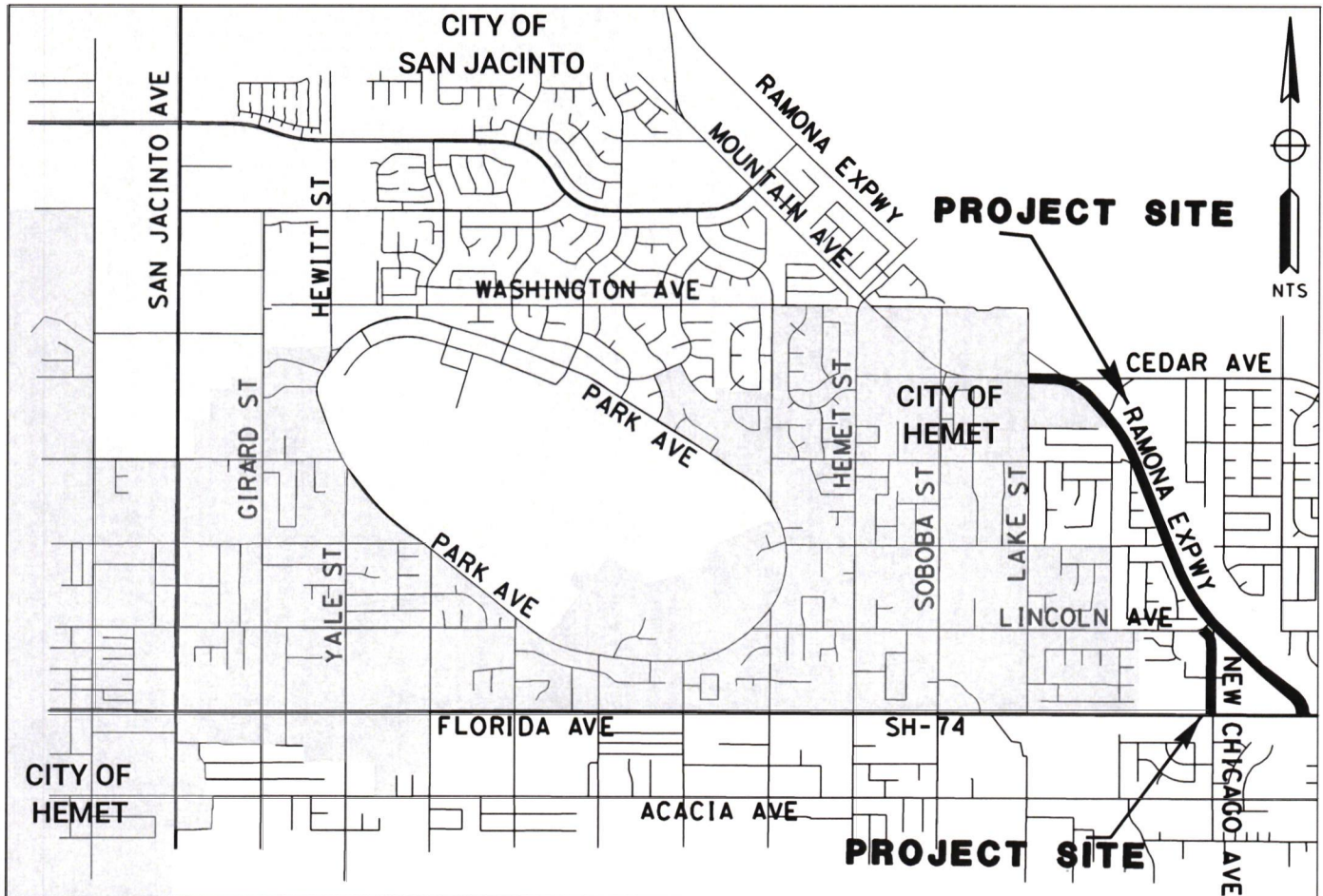
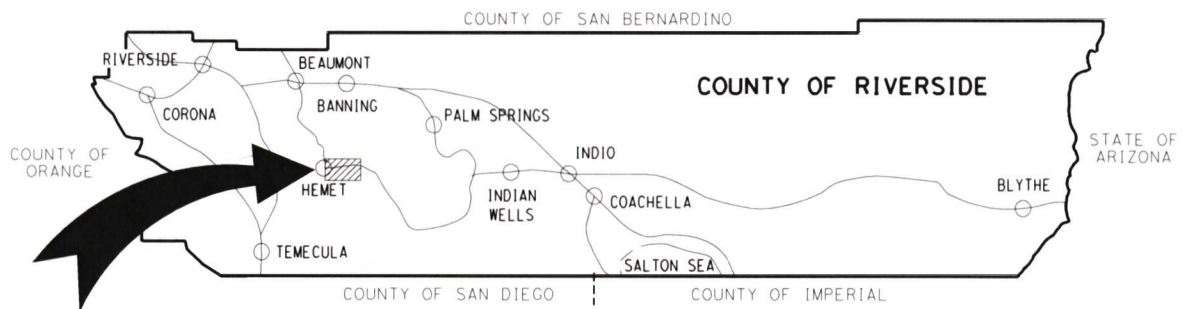
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COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE
TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

**NEW CHICAGO AVENUE RESURFACING
FROM SH-74/FLORENCE AVENUE TO LINCOLN AVENUE, AND**

**RAMONA EXPRESSWAY RESURFACING
FROM SH-74/FLORENCE AVENUE TO LAKE STREET (CITY OF HEMET LIMIT)**

**COMMUNITY OF VALLE VISTA
PROJECT No. D1-0066, D1-0067**



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