



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Public Works



Date: April 24, 2013
Board Meeting Date: June 4, 2013
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: James C. Porter, Director of Public Works

Subject: Continuance of Emergency Declaration for the Slope Stability Improvements on Ramona Road in Los Trancos

RECOMMENDATION:

Make a finding to continue the local emergency declaration for constructing slope stabilization improvements within the landslide adjacent to Ramona Road in Los Trancos.

BACKGROUND:

Public Works has been working with the Los Trancos community to implement slope stabilization improvements in response to on-going slope instability which has resulted in the failure of a portion of the Ramona Road roadway shoulder which supports the road.

On May 7, 2013, your Board made a finding that a local emergency exists with regard to Ramona Road and authorized a contract with Soil Engineering Construction Inc. (SEC) for the construction of the identified slope stabilization improvements. The contract with SEC has been executed and the parties are in the process of securing the environmental permits necessary for the work.

DISCUSSION:

Public Contract Code sections 22035 and 22050 allow the County, in the case of a declared local emergency, to award contracts without a formal bidding process, upon a 4/5 vote of the Board. Government Code section 8630 requires the Board to review the need for continuing the local emergency at least once every 30 days until the emergency is terminated. The current circumstances indicate a need for continuing the local emergency.

Continued approval of this action contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Livable Community by improving the stability of Ramona Road, and thus insuring continued access to the community.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The continuation of the local emergency has no impact on the General Fund.