

# **Board Agenda Item 38**

| DATE:         | February 12, 2019   |
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| TO:           | Board of Supervisors  |
| SUBMITTED BY: | Steven E. White, Director<br>Department of Public Works and Planning  |
| SUBJECT:      | Right-of-Way Acquisition for Watts Creek Bridge Replacement Project at Watts Valley Rd - Federal Project No. BRLO-5942(248) |

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):**

Accept the Easement Deed and authorize the Chairman to execute the Right-of-Way Contract and Temporary Construction Permit to facilitate the Watts Creek Bridge Replacement Project, Federal Project No. BRLO-5942(248), on Watts Creek Valley Road, for a total monetary consideration of \$7,800.

Approval of the recommended action will authorize the purchase of additional right-of-way required to facilitate the replacement of the existing functionally obsolete bridge on Watts Valley Road, as shown on Exhibit A. This item pertains to a location in District 5.

#### ALTERNATIVE ACTION(S):

Not approving the recommended action will result in cancellation of the project and de-obligation of the allocated Federal funding. Any funds received by the County for this project to date would require reimbursement to the Federal Highway Administration from the Road Fund.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no Net County Cost associated with the recommended action. The project is eligible for 100% reimbursement under the Federal Highway Bridge Program. Checks will be issued from Road Fund 0010, payable in equal shares to the individual grantor(s) listed below. Sufficient appropriations for this project are included in the Department of Public Works and Planning - Roads Org 4510 FY 2018-19 Adopted Budget.

Listed below are the owners, mailing addresses, amounts for the parcels, and the basis of the compensation associated with the subject parcel:

 Parcel 1 (APN:140-150-01) - Marjorie L. Brand, Trustee, 50% owner, 5260 North Palm, Suite 421, Fresno CA, 93704 - \$3,900. Douglas B. Jensen, Trustee, 50% owner, 5260 North Palm, Suite 421, Fresno CA, 93704 - \$3,900. This payment is for a 0.703-acre road easement, fencing, a two-year temporary construction permit, trees, and severance damages to the remainder, if any.

Of the total compensation authorized pursuant to the recommended action, \$700 is for a temporary construction permit with a useful life of 24 months, and \$7,100 is for a permanent road easement.

## **DISCUSSION:**

The proposed project would replace the existing 22-foot long, 16-foot wide, two-lane functionally obsolete Watts Creek Bridge on Watts Valley Road with a new two-lane bridge built to current standards. The existing bridge is classified as functionally obsolete due to the narrow winding approaches, width that only allows for eight-foot lanes, and guardrail system that is not up to current standards. As designed, the new bridge will be a 47-foot single-span, cast-in-place slab bridge to be located approximately 50 feet downstream from the existing bridge. The project will also improve and realign the approach roads. The project will improve public safety and increase the load carrying capacity of the bridge.

Construction may commence as early as Spring of 2019.

## **REFERENCE MATERIAL:**

BAI #49, November 14, 2017

## ATTACHMENTS INCLUDED AND/OR ON FILE:

Exhibit A Location Map On file with Clerk - Right-of-Way Contract On file with Clerk - Grant of Easement On file with Clerk - Temporary Construction Permit

CAO ANALYST:

Sonia M. De La Rosa