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MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTE ORDER

TO: MIKE COFFIELD, Interim Personnel/Risk Manager
    TOM GUARINO, County Counsel
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
SUBJECT: Discussion and Possible Further Action Regarding Continuation of the Local Emergency Due to Landslides on Highway 140 Enroute to Yosemite National Park

RESOLUTION 06-405

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPosa COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

ADOPTED THIS Order on August 22, 2006

ACTION AND VOTE:

Discussion and Possible Further Action Regarding Continuation of the Local Emergency Due to Landslides on Highway 140 Enroute to Yosemite National Park (County Counsel/Interim County Administrative Officer)

BOARD ACTION: Supervisor Stetson noted that the Highway is open and he advised that CalTrans hopes to have 24-hour, 7-day a week access in two weeks when the monitoring systems are in place. He commented on the ribbon cutting ceremony that was held on Friday. Supervisor Fritz commended Kenneth Gosting for bringing the media here after the Highway opened and for keeping the County in the forefront of this situation. (M)Fritz, (S)Turpin, Res. 06-405 was adopted finding the local emergency due to the landslides on Highway 140 enroute to Yosemite National Park continues to exist, and continuing the local emergency based on the findings. Supervisor Pickard noted that credit also needs to go to PG & E, CalTrans, and the U. S. Forest Service; and he suggested that perhaps the Chair could make a list to send official thank you letters for the temporary fix. He also noted the need to continue to chronicle the event; and suggested that when we get closer to a permanent fix that everyone involved in restoring access, including Teichert Construction, should be recognized. Supervisor Turpin asked about being able to continue to deal with the slide related issues. Thomas P. Guarino, County Counsel, advised that the Board could deal with slide related issues as long as the emergency is continued. Ayes: Stetson, Turpin, Fritz, Pickard; Excused: Bibby. Supervisor Pickard asked about the timeframes for looking at the long-term solution. Supervisor Stetson advised that CalTrans has assured him that they are continuing to look at the long-term solution; however, they feel they still need time to monitor the activity of the mountain. Supervisor Pickard stated he feels it is important to continue with the momentum to reach a secure fix that would sustain us if we have a problem with the winter weather. He also suggested that the Forest Supervisor, or his designee, be asked to attend Board meetings as long as the emergency situation exists so that the Board can be kept up-to-date and the communication lines are kept open. Supervisor Stetson noted that they are continuing with the meetings on Thursdays in Yosemite. Board members thanked Supervisor Stetson for his diligence and efforts with this matter. Supervisor Turpin stated he would like to recognize CalTrans at this time for their efforts with the
CalTrans at this time for their efforts with the temporary fix. Discussion was held, and the Board concurred with the Chair bringing something back on a future agenda.

Cc: Dana Hertfelder, Public Works
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