

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

Date: November 1, 2009

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Executive Director

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Action

Ref: Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Durock Road / Business Drive Intersection Improvement Project (Resolution E-09-103)

ISSUE: Should the Commission, as a Responsible Agency, accept the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Durock Road/Business Drive Intersection Improvement Project (project) in El Dorado County and approve the project for consideration of funding?

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Commission accept the MND and approve the project for consideration of funding.

BACKGROUND: The County of El Dorado (County) is the CEQA lead agency for the project. The project will provide operational and safety improvements by widening Durock Road and expanding the existing right-of-way to accommodate turn lanes, adding a three-way traffic signal to the intersection of Durock Road/Business Drive, adding a Class II bike lanes on both sides of Durock Road, and making ancillary improvements to the intersection of Durock Road and Via del Gatos. On June 6, 2007 the County adopted a MND for the project.

The County determined that the proposed project will not have a significant effect on the environment after mitigation. All significant environmental impacts related to the project can be either avoided or reduced through implementation of mitigation measures. Impacts that require mitigation to be reduced to a less than significant level include: potential air quality during construction; site-specific impacts to biological resources; cumulative water quality impacts associated with soil erosion; and increased storm drainage flows in the project as well as surface water quality impacts. The County adopted a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for this project as required for the changes made to the project or conditions of project approval. This was necessary to address impacts on existing habitat with emphasis on areas having the potential to support special-status species or critical habitat.

The project is estimated to cost \$1,740,000. The project is programmed for funding with Local Developer Fees (\$1,030,000) and State Local Partnership Program (\$710,000) funds. Construction is estimated to begin in fiscal year 2010/11 On September 23, 2009.

Attachments

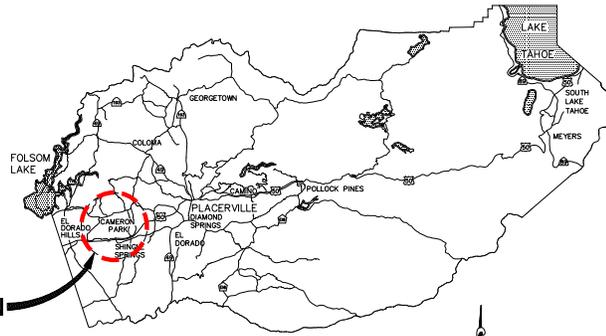
- Resolution E-09-103
- Project Location

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Resolution for Consideration of Future Funding 03-El Dorado Resolution E-09-103

- 1.1 **WHEREAS**, the County of El Dorado (County) has completed a Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
 - Durock Road/Business Drive Intersection Improvement Project
- 1.2 **WHEREAS**, the County Board of Supervisors has certified that the Mitigated Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3 **WHEREAS**, the project would improve traffic and safety conditions by adding turn lanes on eastbound and westbound Durock Road, install a three-way traffic signal, add Class II bike lanes and make ancillary improvements to the intersection.
- 1.4 **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a Responsible Agency, has considered the information contained in the Mitigated Negative Declaration; and
- 1.5 **WHEREAS**, the County found that all significant or potentially significant impacts can be reduced by mitigation measures to a less than significant level; and
- 1.6 **WHEREAS**, the County Board of Supervisors approved the Mitigated Negative Declaration.
- 2.1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby accept the Mitigated Negative Declaration and approve the above referenced project to allow for consideration of future funding.

SITE LOCATION



VICINITY MAP
COUNTY OF EL DORADO

