MEMORANDUM
DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES
ENGINEERING DIVISION
County of Placer

TO: Board of Supervisors DATE: March 22, 2016

FROM: Ken Grehm, Director of Public Works and Facilities
By: Brian Stewart, Senior Civil Engineer

SUBJECT: Engineering / Agreement with Caltrans for Maintenance of Radar Speed Signs along Highway 267

ACTION REQUESTED

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Director of Public Works and Facilities, or designee, to execute a landscape maintenance agreement with the Caltrans to install, operate, and maintain radar speed advisory signs along Highway 267 in the north Lake Tahoe area, and to execute future amendments as necessary to add or modify signs as agreed upon between the County and Caltrans.

BACKGROUND

Kings Beach residents made a request to the department to install a radar speed advisory sign on southbound Highway 267 near Pine Drop Lane. Along this downhill section of highway, some vehicular traffic is observed to maintain excessive speed entering the residential area where multiple driveways, intersections and a school bus stop exist.

Caltrans has agreed to allow the installation of the sign in their right of way, and the department has worked with Caltrans staff to find a suitable location. As part of the encroachment permit process, Caltrans requires Placer County to enter into a Landscape Maintenance Agreement (LMA) before issuing the permit. Caltrans uses this LMA document for all items placed within their right of way.

Future amendments to the existing landscape maintenance agreement if necessary will allow for the installation, operation, and maintenance of additional radar advisory signs, or for modifications to existing signs, to occur under the responsibility and management of the County.

Execution of the agreement and subsequent encroachment permit will enable the department to install the desired sign using existing county Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) funding previously approved for pedestrian safety improvements in the north Lake Tahoe area. However, should additional signs be requested, there is not sufficient TOT funding to support them at this time. Should future requests occur for additional signs on the state highway system, the department will ask Caltrans to take the lead on installation, operation and maintenance.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

This action is not a project and has no impact to the environment as defined by Public Resources Code Section 21065 and is therefore exempt from environmental review under CEQA.

FISCAL IMPACT

This agreement allows the County, under the direction and management of the Department of Public Works and Facilities to install, operate, and maintain radar speed advisory signs in the state highway right of way in the north Lake Tahoe area. There is no fiscal impact to the County for this agreement, and there is existing TOT funding approved and budgeted for installation of the one sign to be located on Highway 267 near Highway 28 in Kings Beach.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution

Before the Board of Supervisors
County of Placer, State of California

In the matter of: A Resolution authorizing the Director of Public Works and Facilities, or designee, to execute a landscape maintenance agreement to install, operate, and maintain radar speed signs along Highway 267 in the north Lake Tahoe area, and to execute future amendments as necessary to add or modify signs as agreed upon between the County and Caltrans

Resolution No.: _____

The following Resolution was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer

at a regular meeting held _____, by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

_____
Chair, Board of Supervisors

Attest:

_____
Clerk of said Board

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer, State of California, that this Board approves and authorizes the Director of Public Works and Facilities, or designee, to execute a landscape maintenance agreement with Caltrans to install, operate, and maintain radar speed advisory signs along Highway 267, in the north Lake Tahoe area and to execute future amendments as necessary to add or modify signs as agreed upon between the County and Caltrans.