

MEMORANDUM

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS County of Placer

TO: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DATE: October 23, 2007
FROM: KEN GREHM / RICHARD MOOREHEAD 
SUBJECT: HIGHWAY 65 LINCOLN BYPASS RELINQUISHMENT AGREEMENT

ACTION REQUESTED / RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Director of Public Works to execute a Relinquishment Agreement between Placer County and the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for the State Route 65 Bypass project upon approval of the Agreement by County Counsel.

BACKGROUND / SUMMARY

The Highway 65 Bypass project has been in development for many years and will re-route Highway 65 from south of Lincoln to north of Sheridan along an alignment west of the existing highway (see attached map). The new bypass will provide improved traffic flow and alleviate traffic congestion along this corridor. Efforts that are underway, may allow the project to begin construction in the spring of 2008.

As part of the process, the State must execute various agreements with local agencies, one of which is a Relinquishment Agreement. This agreement allows for existing State Route 65 to be relinquished to local jurisdictions when the new alignment is complete. The segment that will be relinquished to Placer County is from the City of Lincoln's boundary on the south to just north of Sheridan. A map is attached depicting the general limits within the County's jurisdiction.

The estimated cost to bring the existing route up to a state of good repair is between seven to eight million dollars. In an effort to bring down the costs, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the State, Placer County, Placer County Transportation Agency, and the City of Lincoln was created, dated December 2003, where agreement was reached to allocate two million dollars for the relinquishment of State Route 65 within the project limits. Placer County and the City of Lincoln have subsequently reached an agreement on a 50/50 split of those funds.

As part of that MOU, there is a provision to provide additional funding to the local agencies if the project has surplus money at completion. There will also be provisions within the Relinquishment Agreement to cover this scenario.

Staff recommends approval of the attached Resolution authorizing the Director of Public Works to execute the Relinquishment Agreement.

ENVIRONMENTAL

Caltrans has prepared and received approval of an EIR and EIS for the project on May 25, 2006.

FISCAL IMPACT

The relinquishment of the existing State Route 65 to the County will add additional maintained mileage to the County's roadway network. The additional costs of maintenance will be covered with the road fund.

Attachment: Resolution
Highway 65 Lincoln Bypass Map

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

**In the matter of: A RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
WORKS TO EXECUTE A RELINQUISHMENT
AGREEMENT BETWEEN PLACER COUNTY
AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
(CALTRANS).**

Resol. No:.....

Ord. No:.....

First Reading:.....

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.

**Attest:
Clerk of said Board**

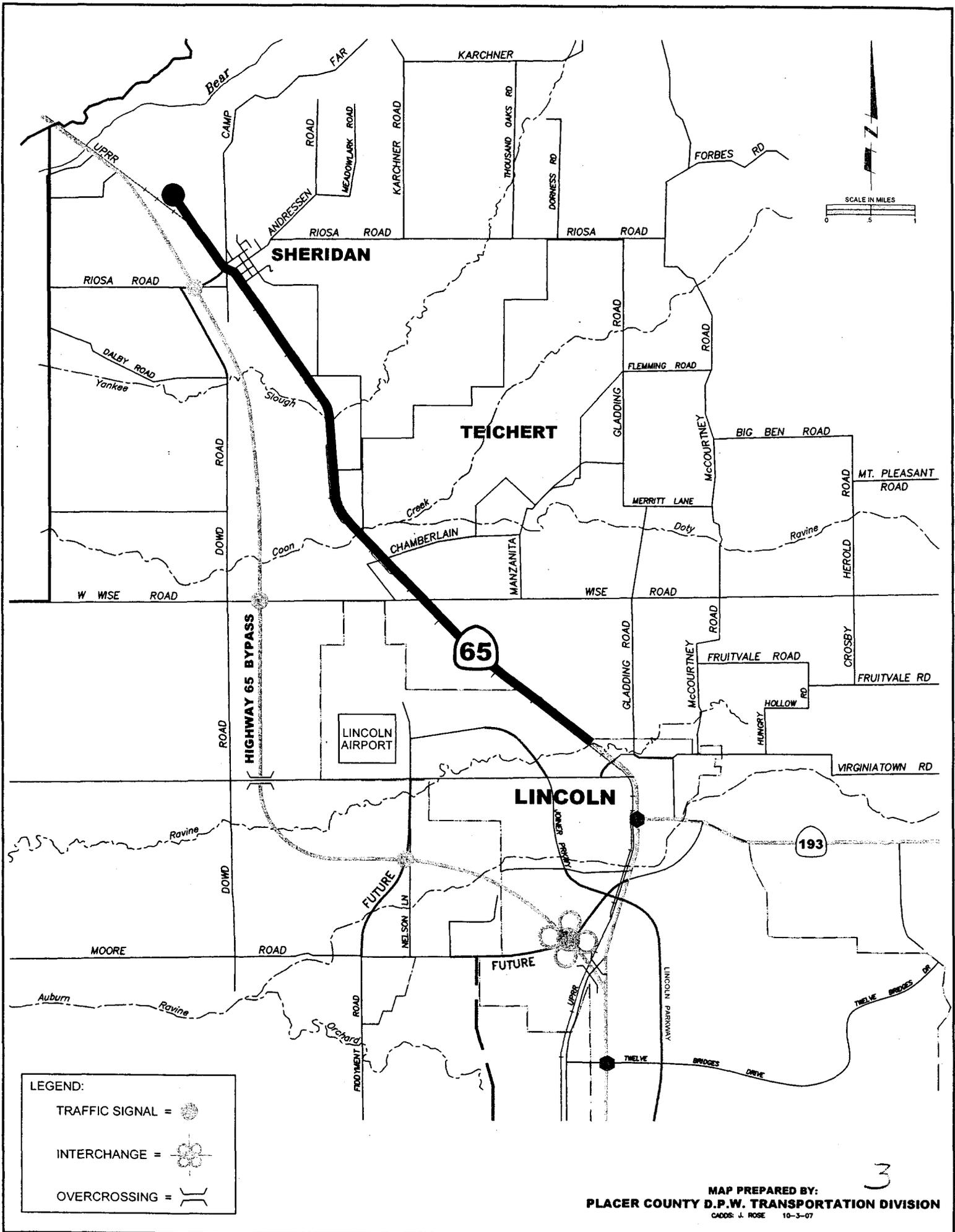
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

WHEREAS, the State of California Department of Transportation and the County of Placer, pursuant to Chapter 25, Article 5 of the Caltrans Project Development Procedures Manual, require the approval of a Freeway Relinquishment Agreement for the superseding relinquishment of existing Highway 65 to Placer County; and

WHEREAS, Section 73 of the Streets and Highways Code, by Resolution, authorizes the California Transportation Commission (CTC) to relinquish any portion of any state highway to Placer County that has been superseded by relocation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer, State of California, as follows:

The Placer County Board of Supervisors does hereby approve this Resolution authorizing the Director of Public Works to execute a Relinquishment Agreement between Placer County and the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) upon approval of the Agreement by County Counsel.



MAP PREPARED BY:
PLACER COUNTY D.P.W. TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

CADD: J. ROSE 10-3-07

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