

MEMORANDUM

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

County of Placer

TO: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE: JANUARY 8, 2008

FROM: KEN GREHM / RICK DONDRO

SUBJECT: TWO ALL-WAY STOPS ON LOCUST ROAD

ACTION REQUESTED / RECOMMENDATION

Approve installation of two all-way stops: one at Locust Road and Browning Street and the other at Locust Road and Lowell Street.

BACKGROUND / SUMMARY

Baseline Road is a major collector road that connects the City of Roseville with Sutter County in the West Placer area. Locust Road is a rural residential and agricultural road that connects Baseline Road with Sacramento County to the south. It is a road that consists of narrow lanes with minimal shoulders and two ninety-degree bends. Locust Road is also characterized by moderately high-speed traffic.

In the Summer of 2002, the Board of Supervisors approved an all-way stop at the intersection of Baseline Road and Locust Road. Since the installation of the all-way stop, the volume on Locust Road has doubled (currently 1,300 vehicles per day), in part due to traffic on Baseline Road using Newton Street and Elder Street as cut-through routes to Locust Road in order to bypass existing peak delays on Baseline Road. Residents have expressed concerns with this cut-through traffic, the traffic volumes in general and the prevailing speeds along Locust Road. They have requested that two all-way stops be installed: one at Locust Road and Browning Street and the other at Locust Road and Lowell Street (See Exhibit A attached).

The accident history at both intersections combined shows three accidents in the past six years and there has not been an accident at either location in almost two years. Both intersections provide good visibility of approaching traffic due to level terrain. The current speed limit on Locust Road is 55 mph.

The West Placer Municipal Advisory Council has recommended that an all-way stop be placed at these two intersections. Neither installation is warranted under normal engineering criteria (volumes, accidents or sight distance). However, the County has adopted its own policy on all-way stops which also includes community input as a factor in making decisions. All-way stops at these locations will assist Browning Street and Lowell Street traffic in entering Locust Road. It will also decrease the speed along the northern section of Locust Road, since traffic will have to stop twice.

ENVIRONMENTAL

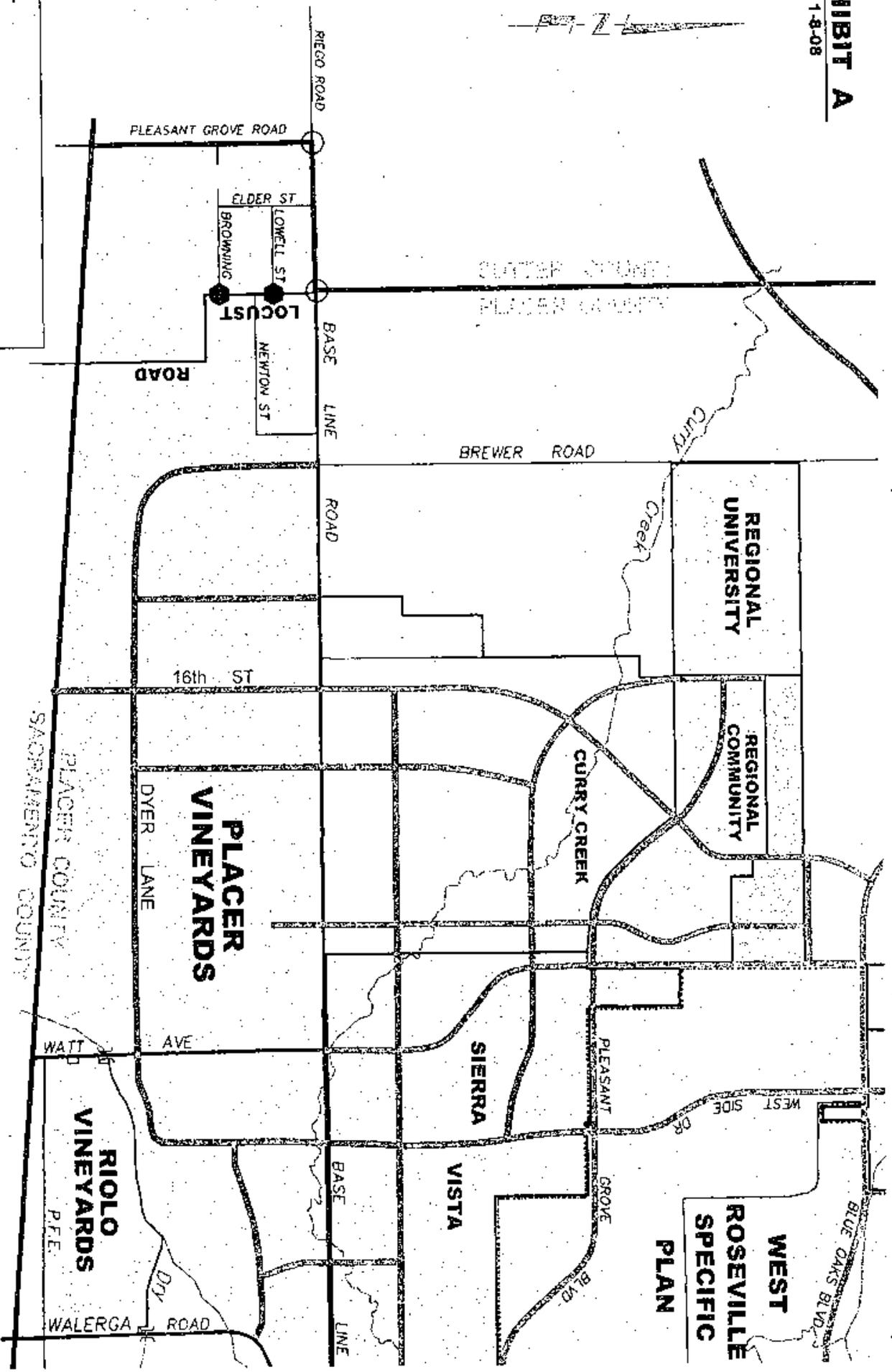
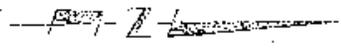
This action is categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15301c of the CEQA guidelines, Operation of an Existing Highway. The application of this exemption does not trigger any exceptions as defined by Section 15300 of CEQA guidelines.

FISCAL IMPACT

The cost to install two all-way stops and advance warning is estimated to be \$10,000 which can be funded through the Road Fund.

EXHIBIT A

1-8-08



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CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Rocky Rockholm, Supervisor, District 1 12/13/07
County Of Placer
Board of Supervisors

Linda Brown, Direct Administrative
Field Representative

Happy Holidays and Merry Christmas

Walter Wiley and Bruce Grecco presented a packet to the West Placer MAC, December 13, 2007. Numerous families and individuals have signed the attached letter. They are in support of placing additional stop signs within our rural community, considered the SPA within District 1.

I am hope this packet of letters reach you for your review and support.

I strongly support the slowing of traffic and the restricting and re-routing the "16 wheelers" big rigs, concrete and large size dump trucks that have been increasingly using Locust Road as the "New Highway". Increased traffic through our community has been and is continuing to be a severe growing problem with new each day.

With this, I personally want to thank you for your support, willingness and assistance in addressing our community's concerns. Concerns that continue to reveal themselves as growth and development marches toward us.

Happy Holidays

Claudette weismantel
10029 Newton Street,
Elverta, Ca 95626

Claudette A Mitchell-Weismantel
cfx@lanset.com

cc Bob
K. Blair

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Ann Marie Peters 12.10.07
Signature Address Date
10400 BROWNING ST
ELVERTA CA 95626

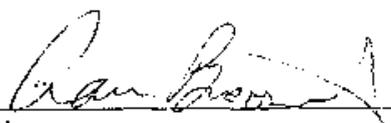
Comments:

It's time for this proposal to be realized.
Traffic is too fast for a residential area -
and much too heavy. Making is a
scary adventure - please quit stalling,
get this done now! Eventually isn't
good enough - Now is a must!
(MJP)

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	10290 Browning St	12-10-07
Signature	Address	Date

Comments:

I would love to see these stop signs installed I am a new homeowner in the area. The second week I lived here my dog was struck and killed by a passing truck. People drive too fast!!

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<i>Jennifer K. Underwood</i>	<i>10665 Browning St., Elverta, CA</i>	<i>12/12/07</i>
<i>John Underwood</i>	<i>10665 Browning St., Elverta</i>	<i>12/12/2007</i>
Signature	Address	Date

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Jeffrey A. Baur
William Willanson

Signature

Address

10565 Browning St.
Elverta, CA
95626

Date

12/9/07

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	10562 Browning St	12-10-07
Signature	Address	Date

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<i>Barbara Stewart Alvesta</i>	<i>8350 Madrone St</i>	<i>12/5/07</i>
Signature	Address	Date

Comments:

We need the stop signs

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Donna Stewart ⁸⁸⁵⁰ Madrone St 12/6/07
Signature Address Date

Comments:

Stop signs would make it safer
turning onto Browning and slow down
all traffic.

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Julia A Smith *10501 Lowell St.* *12/10/07*
Signature Address Date

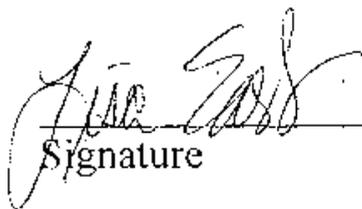
Comments:

please address this issue ASAP! there are too many children in this neighborhood to ignore the speeding problem. Lets not wait for someone to get hurt.

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Signature

10533 Lowell St
Address

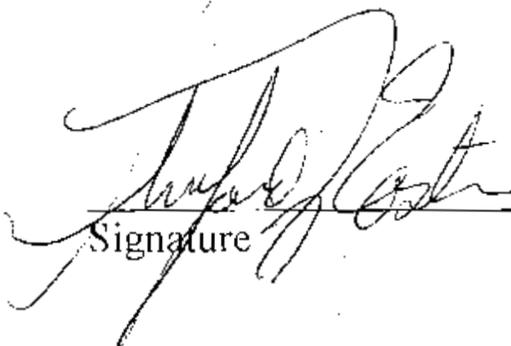
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 10533 Lowell St 12/10/07
Signature Address Date
E Lverta, 95626

Comments:
I believe that this will be a
fantastic step forward. It is
nearly impossible for me to get
on to Locust during peak traffic
hours. Also I like to walk
occasionally and the high speed traffic
literally forces me into the ditch or
shoulder of the road. Yes!! To this proposal.
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<i>Rene Lewis</i>	<i>10435 Lowell Street Elverta CA 95626</i>	<i>12-10-07</i>
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J. Linda Page ⁰⁵⁸¹ *Locust Rd* *12/6/07*
Signature Address Date

Comments:

This will be a positive step forward. I would also like to state that in our community meeting in early Oct, it was discussed that the signing at the 90° turn known as the Page corner would be cleaned, repaved and that the rumble pots would be fixed. Also the traffic persons agreed to look into the possibility of installing flashing lights at or before the turn as the winter season is upon us (rain fog), these actions would be appreciated.

Thank you
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<u>Linda J Page</u>	<u>8581</u>	<u>12/7/07</u>
Signature	Address	Date

Comments:

In addition to requesting battery flashing lights at the 90° turn in the north direction of Locust Road could a "around-about" be considered to slow traffic before the turn. Since a "stop" is not feasible at this turn maybe a "around-about" would help slow traffic. Thank You

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Linda Jan 8551 Locust Rd 12/7/7
Signature Address Date

Comments:

Need to put up flashing lights at both 90°
turns on Locust. Replace worn
road reflective bumps at 90° turns.

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<i>Virginia Fair</i>	<i>8531 Locust Rd</i>	<i>12/7/7</i>
Signature	Address	Date

Comments:

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Tim Anderson E4E4 Locust Rd. 12-05-07
Signature Address Date
Elverta, CA
95626

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Dean Newby *8484 Locust Rd* *12-05-07*
Signature Address Date
Elverta, CA
95626

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Marek Fortova - 8382 Locust Rd. 12/5/07
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	8399 Locust Rd.	12/11/07
Signature	Address	Date

WALTER WYLLIE

Comments:

We are looking forward to the load limit signs around the first of the year as discussed. My thanks to Supervisor Rockholm, Linda Brown and the County Employees who took their time to work with the community.

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Joelle Wilber 5399 Locust Rd 12/13/07
Signature Address Date

Comments:

Thanks for ^{your} consideration.
We appreciate all your help.

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Eric D. Anderson 4312 Locust St 12-13-11
Signature Address Date

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[Handwritten Signature] *8450 Locust Rd* *12/5/07*
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<i>Joyce Perisic</i>	<i>8450 Locust Rd.</i>	<i>12/5/07</i>
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 8500 Locust Rd 12/5/07
Signature Address Date

Comments:
