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AGENDA: April 20, 1999

April 8, 1999

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS 701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, California 95060

SUBJECT: SEISMIC SAFETY RETROFIT PROGRAM

Members of the Board:

In response to seismic events in California, a Seismic Retrofit Program was initiated as a top state priority. State funds were authorized to reimburse local agencies for all costs associated with the seismic retrofit projects, including design, construction, and general county overhead.

CALTRANS completed an evaluation of the County maintained bridges in Santa Cruz County and assembled a list of bridges that are eligible for seismic retrofitting. The plans, specifications and estimates for these bridges are being prepared by structural consultant firms. The bridges have been grouped into six construction projects, and three are scheduled for construction this year with the remainder being constructed next year.

The department proposes to retain civil and structural consultants to handle the construction management of these seismic retrofit projects. A Request for Qualifications will be advertised, and one or more consultants will be chosen to handle the construction management activities. The department shall present agreements with one or more consultants for your approval before the end of June.

Funds have been included in CALTRANS' budget to reimburse the County for the construction management cost associated with the seismic retrofit projects.

It is therefore recommended that the Board authorize Public Works to advertise the Request for Qualifications for construction management services for the County's Seismic Retrofit Program.

Yours truly,

JOHN A. FANTHAM Director of Public Works

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RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:

County Administrative Officer

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