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February 14, 2017

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Nevada 950 Maidu Avenue Nevada City, CA 95959

DATE OF MEETING: February 14, 2017

SUBJECT: Resolution proclaiming support for proposed legislation SB1 and AB1 for increased funding for road maintenance purposes and authorizing letters of support to be sent to the California Legislature.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: None.

BACKGROUND: Nevada County maintains approximately 560 miles of roads. Although Nevada County pavement conditions are currently in the top 10 for county roads in the State, the County is in its second year of not being able to perform preventative maintenance activities, such as chip sealing and asphalt overlays, due to declining funding sources.

The County's primary revenue source for road maintenance comes from the gas tax. Subsequently, over the past 10 years, this funding source has continually declined by about 33%, while expenses have increased 20% due to inflating construction and labor costs. Staff projects that within the next 3 years, the road fund balance will be unable to support minimum cash flow requirements for road activities.

However, there are currently two bills in the California Legislature, SB1 and AB1 that have been proposed that would result in Nevada County being able to ensure fiscal soundness of our roads fund and reinstate road maintenance and rehabilitation, safety projects and complete street projects including pedestrian and bike safety, transit and stormwater elements. Both bills were introduced on December 5, 2016 by Senator Jim Beall and Assemblymember Jim Frazier, respectively. Both bills are in committee, with SB1 re-referred to the Rules Committee and AB1 refereed to the Transportation Committee and the Natural Resources Committee.

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Funding from either bill could be used as matching funds for state and federal funding programs which will help the County maximize available funding. Please refer to the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Revenue and Expenditure Analysis in Figure A, for specific comparison details on SB1 and AB1.

In summary, SB1 and AB1 propose approximately \$4.28 billion in new revenues annually that include Maintenance & Rehabilitation Investments (\$3.12 billion), Freights Investments (\$600 million), and Transit Investments (\$563 million). Additionally, \$1.81 billion in restored/returned for Maintenance & Rehabilitation Investments funding is also included which brings an increase of ongoing revenues to a grand total of \$6.09 billion annually. Both SB1 and AB1 would have a significant positive fiscal impact on the County's primary source of revenue for road maintenance that would enable a proactive approach to ensure the County's quality of infrastructure and transit safety.

Therefore, I am requesting the Board approve the Resolution proclaiming support for proposed legislation SB1 and AB1 for increased funding for road maintenance purposes and authorizing letters of support to be sent to the California Legislature.

AB1

Respectfully Sincerely,

Hank Weston

Supervisor, District IV

SB1

Figure A

New Revenues	
12 Cent - Gas Tax Increase - 3.12 Billion Annually	12 Cent - Gas Tax Increase - 3.12 Billion Annually
Tax is levied in one (1) year	Tax is levied over three years; Y1: 6 Cents, Y2: 9 Cents; Y3: 12 Cents
Gas Tax Deposited into RMRA with OHV	Gas Tax deposited into RMRA without OHV
Vehicle Registration Fee (VHF) - \$1.3 Billion Annually	Vehicle Registration Fee (VHF) - 1.3 Billion Annually
VHF: \$38	VHF: \$38
Zero Emission Vehicle Registration Fee (ZVRF) -\$20 Million Annually	Zero Emission Vehicle Registration Fee (ZVRF) - \$20 Million Annually
ZVRF: \$100 - deposited into RMRA	ZVRF: \$165 - deposited into RMRA
Freight Investments - \$600 Million Annually	Freight Investments - \$600 Million Annually
20 Cent Diesel Excise Tax - Deposited into Trade Corridors Improvement Fund	20 Cent Diesel Excise Tax - Deposited into Trade Corridors Improvement Fund
Transit Investments - 563 Million Annually	Transit Investments - \$563 Million Annually
4% Rate Increase to Sales Tax on Diesel	3.5% Rate Increase to Sales Tax on Diesel
3.5% of increase benefits STA/PTA formula	Increase benefits all State Transit Account (STA) and Public Transportation Account (PTA) Allocations

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.5% of increase benefits Transit and Intercity Rail Corridor Program (TIRCP)

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Restored/Returned Revenues

Maintenance & Rehabilitation Investments - \$1.81 Billion Annually

Truck Weight Fees - \$500 Million Highway User Tax Account (HUTA)

Allocated via 44 STIP/44 LSR/12 SHOPP split

Phase in specific percentage of weight fee rev

Cap Transfer to 50% of total weight fee rev collected in FY21-

Eliminate annual BOE adjustments of price-based excise tax

Reset Rate to 17.3 Cents

Directed to HUTA

Allocated via 44/44/12 split

Return \$125 M in price-based revenues from sale of fuel for non-highway purposes

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One Time Revenues

Maintenance & Rehabilitation Investments - \$703 M in

Transportation Loans

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Expenditures - By Account for Road Purposes

Road Maintenance & Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) - \$3.18 Billion Annually

\$3.12 B from Gas Tax, VRF, ZVRF \$60 M from returned revenues

Take-down before formula allocation

\$200 M annually for State Local Partnership Program (SLPP)

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