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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: September 26, 2023

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Heba El-Guindy, Director of Public Works

SUBJECT: Resolution Authorizing Circulation of the Environmental Impact

Report for the North Bloomfield Road at South Yuba River Bridge

Project – Districts I, IV & V

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

<u>FUNDING</u>: The North Bloomfield Road at South Yuba River Bridge Project (Project) currently has funding through the Caltrans Highway Bridge Program. The full extent of Project funding will be dependent on the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) Project alternative that will be selected. There is no impact to the General Fund.

<u>BACKGROUND</u>: The Department of Public Works (DPW) proposes to replace the structurally deficient bridge located on North Bloomfield Road at South Yuba River. The bridge was originally built in 1904, was later modified in 1989 and does not currently have access for large emergency vehicles.

The Project EIR assesses two alternatives for the location of a new bridge. Alternative 1 would construct a new 200-foot span bridge located about 60 feet upstream from the existing bridge and would not change the road alignment of current route to and from the bridge. Alternative 2 would build a new 500-foot span bridge located at about 1,000 feet upstream at a higher elevation and would eliminate the sharp curves on the route to the existing bridge. With both alternatives, the existing bridge will remain in place to serve pedestrians and cyclists use.

Working with consultant Dokken Engineering, DPW has prepared an EIR for both of the above-mentioned alternatives, as well as a no-build option as Alternative 3. Subject to Board approval, DPW plans to circulate the EIR for a 45-day public review period and hold a public meeting at the Eric Rood Administrative Center during the circulation period to seek public comments on the EIR.

Item Initiated by: Patrick Perkins, Principal Civil Engineer

Approved by: Heba El-Guindy, Director of Public Works

Attachments:

- Resolution authorizing circulation of the North Bloomfield Road at South Yuba River Bridge Project EIR
- Presentation on Project EIR and planned schedule