

At the request of Robyn Drivon and Paula Franz a group of us met on 11/12/14 to address unanswered questions pertaining to CPRAs. Three months later and we still have not received a follow up as we were led to believe. On January 27th you were provided copies of the agenda for that meeting along with two other CPRAs that were due today concerning the Mt. Murphy Road Bridge and EDC Liability Insurance policies.

Please refer to the materials that you were just handed. The fact that I've received nearly identical responses from County Counsel on numerous occasions delaying a response to CPRAs is evidence of Bureaucratic Shenanigans reminiscent of the demands for Obama's birth certificate. The following response from County Counsel is an abuse of the public trust and is unacceptable:

"Risk/HR have told me that it will take until February 27 to gather the documents responsive to your CPRA about insurance because Risk is currently significantly understaffed and because they believe that the documents have been requested and provided to you in past requests."

First, County Counsel has been deceptive in its interpretation of the law particularly as it applies to the Brown Act and Public Record Act Requests. I'd like to emphasize that the Guide to CA Public Record Act Requests is clear when the law states, **"An agency has 10 days to decide if copies will be provided. In "unusual" cases (request is "voluminous," seeks records held off-site, OR requires consultation with other agencies), the agency may upon written notice to the requestors give itself an additional 14 days to respond. These time periods may not be used solely to delay access to the records. § 6253(d)."**

Second, I would like to clarify that the request for the crime and insurance policies is NOT a duplicate request as Ms. Franz replied in her email. The CSAC Excess Insurance policy expired at midnight December 31, 2014. **IF** the policy was renewed, amended or reinstated with another insurance carrier, it should theoretically be a simple task to provide current information in a timely manner.

Third, I'd like to remark about last week's BOS meeting which I missed. However I did view portions of the video, particularly Consent and Open Forum. Kris Payne, Larry Weitzman and Sue Taylor did an exceptional job of vetting citizen's right-to-know and participate in the public process during BOS meetings. I found it very disturbing when Kathy Smith was told by Supervisor Veerkamp there was "no question & answer period" to her questions regarding public meetings.

The Brown Act is explicit that the public has "broad Constitutional liberties" which includes brief dialog. *"Any attempt to restrict the content of such speech must be narrowly tailored to effectuate a compelling state interest... These decisions found that*

prohibiting critical comments was a form of viewpoint discrimination, and that such a prohibition promoted discussion artificially geared toward praising and maintaining the status quo, thereby foreclosing meaningful public dialog.”

You are reminded of your oaths of office and fiduciary responsibility to the citizens of this county. **You work for us.** It's our hope that Pamela Knorr in her new position will set the example for authentic leadership by ensuring these topics finally receive the attention they deserve with proper transparency, accountability and remedial consequences for the abuse of the public's trust.

In closing I'd like to address a LONG overdue response to District 4 DOT and CPRA issues avoided by former CAO Kim Kerr and Supervisor Ron Briggs dated October 9, 2012. Although they've exited amidst scandal, the issues still require clarification. Who exactly is currently in charge of logging and follow up on CPRAs?

Mr./Madam Clerk: Please enter these documents into the public record and note you have 10 days in which to reply to the February 2nd CPRA re: Mt. Murphy Bridge.

- 1) This transcript
- 2) February 2, 2015 reply from County Counsel to 1/27/15 CPRAs
- 3) October 9, 2012 letter to Kim Kerr & Ron Briggs re: DOT
- 4) Feb. 2, 2015 CPRA re: Mt. Murphy Bridge Sufficiency Rating



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February 2, 2015

Ms. Melody Lane
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Sent via e-mail

RE: Public Records Act request 1/27/15

Dear Ms. Lane:

The Manager of Human Resources has received your Public Records Act requests (2) dated January 27, 2015. Your requests regard the following items:

- 1) *CDA/DOT's copy of the Caltrans inspection report conducted July 15, 2014 which deemed the Mt. Murphy Road Bridge "functionally obsolete and structurally deficient"; and*
- 2) *The identity of County staff responsible for the responsive statements included in your original 1/27/15 request and all relevant correspondences including handwritten notes and emails, as well an explanation regarding lack of notification concerning the posting of the September 24th SAC Summary on the EDC website.*
- 3) *A copy of the current CSAC Excess Insurance Authority (CSAC EIA) or any other primary insurer for the County of El Dorado; and*
- 4) *A current copy of the crime insurance policy.*

Under California Government Code § 6253(c), the County has ten (10) days to determine whether the records you have requested are "disclosable public records in the possession of the agency" and "notify the person making the request of the determination and the reasons therefor." The County is currently in the process of assembling the documents you have requested. Although the Government Code does not stipulate time limitations on the delivery of documents, the County plans to respond to your request no later than **February 27, 2015**.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (530) 621-5388 or bobbi.bennett@edcgov.us

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bobbi Bennett", is written over a circular stamp or seal.

Bobbi Bennett
Human Resources Manager

Enclosures:

1. Copy of original January 27, 2015 Melody Lane PRA re: Mt. Murphy Road Bridge CIP
2. Copy of original January 27, 2015 Melody Lane PRA re: CSAC Excess Insurance Authority (CSAC EIA)

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From: Melody Lane [mailto:melody.lane@reagan.com]
Sent: Monday, February 02, 2015 3:54 PM
To: Paula Frantz; Robyn Drivon
Cc: 'Judie Engel'; mike.ranalli@edcgov.us
Subject: RE: Initial Response to 1/27/15 PRA Request

Paula & Robyn,

After our 11/12/14 meeting we never received a response from either of you concerning delayed and/or incomplete CPRAs. (see attached agenda)

Two CPRAs were submitted during the 1/27/15 BOS meeting:

- 1) Mt. Murphy Bridge
- 2) CSAC Liability/Crime Insurance

When responding please separate your replies rather than combining them. It will help to avoid confusion when forwarding your replies to others who've requested I submit CPRAs on their behalf.

Please note that the Guide to the CA Public Record Act states as follows concerning the 2/27/15 delay in providing a response to both CPRAs submitted on 1/27/15:

- **An agency has 10 days to decide if copies will be provided.** In "unusual" cases (request is "voluminous," seeks records held off-site, OR requires consultation with other agencies), the agency may upon written notice to the requestors give itself an additional 14 days to respond. (§6253(c)) **These time periods may not be used solely to delay access to the records. (§ 6253(d))**

Historically delays portend an eventual denial of the requested information. So what's the explanation for the delay until 2/27/15?

Thanks for your anticipated cooperation.

Melody Lane
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When the defense of liberty becomes a crime, tyranny is already in force. At that point, failure to defend liberty makes slavery a certainty.

From: Judie Engel [mailto:judie.engel@edcgov.us]
Sent: Monday, February 02, 2015 2:59 PM
To: melody.lane@reagan.com
Subject: Initial Response to 1/27/15 PRA Request

Dear Ms. Lane:

Attached please find an initial response to your Public Records Act Request submitted to the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors on January 27, 2015.

Thank you.

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From: Steve Pedretti [mailto:steve.pedretti@edcgov.us]
Sent: Monday, February 02, 2015 4:32 PM
To: Paula Frantz; Melody Lane; Robyn Drivon; Judie Engel; mike.ranalli; Bobbi Bennett
Subject: RE: Completed email re CPRAs

Melody, CDA will respond to both requests by February 27 as well.

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To: Melody Lane; Robyn Drivon; Judie Engel; mike.ranalli; Bobbi Bennett; Steve Pedretti
Subject: Completed email re CPRAs

Melody:

Thank you for your email. I had already spoken to Bobbi Bennett about your concerns before you even sent the email, because I was able to anticipate them.

I apologize for the confusion about these two requests. In large part, it is due to the fact that I was out all last week with the flu; unfortunately in my absence, the Departments responsible for gathering the documents responsive to your request did not receive your requests. I apologize for that. But please let me clarify the substance of the County's initial response:

I apologize for you receiving one response from HR purporting to set time estimates for the responses for both of your requests - that was due to the fact that both PRAs came into our office on one email, and got forwarded the same way. Please be assured that the Mt. Murphy request was also forwarded to CDA. I had thought it was clear that Risk/HR was only responsible for the request concerning insurance, but there must have been some misunderstanding. We will ensure that in the future it is made clear to each Department who is responsible for responding to each CPRA.

Risk/HR have told me that it will take until February 27 to gather the documents responsive to your CPRA about insurance because Risk is currently significantly understaffed. and because they believe that the documents have been requested and provided to you in past requests.

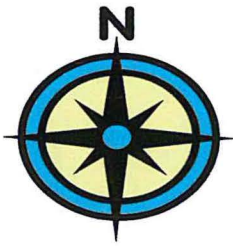
I do not know how long CDA anticipates it will take to respond to the request that was directed to them. It appears that the first request is relatively straightforward. Determining whether or not there are documents that are responsive to the second request, and where any such documents might be located, might be a bit more time consuming. You can expect a response within the next few days from CDA setting forth their anticipated timeline for providing the documents.

Thank you for your understanding. I look forward to speaking to you soon.

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October 9, 2012

TO: Kim Kerr, Assistant CAO
Supervisor Ron Briggs, District #4

CC: Terri Daly, CAO
Don Spear, DOT Deputy Director
Gerri Silva, Director Environmental Management
Roger Trout, Director Development Services
Board of Supervisors, Districts 1, 2, 3, & 5
Jeremy McReynolds, MGDG Superintendent
Joe Harn, Auditor
Sheriff John D'Agostini

RE: DOT, CIP/TIM Fees and Parks/Recreation

Dear Ms. Kerr,

Thank you for your letter dated July 13, 2012 in reply to topics stemming from our May 23, 2012 meeting. The relevant issues were delineated in the July 15, 2011 **COMPAS** letter submitted to DOT Director Jim Ware and MGDG Superintendent Jeremy McReynolds. No response was received from either Jim or Jeremy.

Although a range of issues germane to DOT *processes* were covered in your reply, there still remain several issues in need of clarification regarding **financial data**. You provided a target date of **September 1st** to respond to inquiries that were addressed over a year ago. It is now the eleventh hour; an appropriate response is long overdue.

Once again I reminded you of specific issues at the 8/28/12 BOS meeting during the discussion of Capital Improvement Projects/Traffic Impact Mitigation. You'll recall the complex topics were aptly described by Supervisor Santiago as "*information overload, black widow spiders and lots of moving parts.*" Obtaining accurate information from county representatives appeared to be a problem for everyone involved. For this reason the CIP/TIM agenda item was again deferred to sometime in October. A reply to public and written inquiries was never received.

It was recently brought to my attention that CIP/TIM Update was slipped into the September 25th BOS agenda instead of scheduled for October. Apparently decisions had already been predetermined behind closed doors in violation of the **Brown Act and Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act**. This is information EDC citizens have the right to know and publicly participate. (See attached RMAC correspondence at the end of this document. *Note pertinent information was deliberately censored by Environmental Management from the public minutes.)

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Government transparency and accountability are reoccurring phrases frequently making headlines. This recent media excerpt regarding **SB 1003** is just one example:

*“Tulare County is passionate about the peoples’ right to know. Senate Bill 1003 clarifies and improves the existing Brown Act law and is a win-win for the public and local government. **Had SB 1003 been in place when a lawsuit alleging Brown Act violations was filed against Tulare County, expensive, time-consuming litigation could have been avoided at a time when so many other issues demanded our attention and scarce funds.**”*

“Supporters of the new law argue it is a low-cost way for citizens to demand accountability and places the burden on the local government rather than the citizen.”

It is apparent the decision-making process in El Dorado County is exclusively geared to meeting privately with special interest groups. Public concerns are thereby obfuscated or diverted giving citizens little opportunity to assimilate piles of confusing documents and misleading information. There is a tremendous amount of inconsistency making it difficult for anyone to intelligently participate in public discussion or to make properly informed decisions.

Kim, that last statement echoes the question I posed to you during the July 17th Tax Payers Association meeting. The same issues concerning the Amador County Grand Jury findings against you appeared in the September 3rd article tucked way back on page 11 of the Mountain Democrat:

“The most direct and personal findings state that the “city manager (Kerr) for the fiscal period 2007-2011 did not demonstrate that she possessed the proper qualifications and expertise to perform the duties required for that position...the Grand Jury finds that on many occasions the city manager provided insufficient or misleading information, making it difficult or impossible for the City Council to cast intelligent votes.”

It is only reasonable that taxpayers should inquire into the appropriation of funds as well as doubt the level of your expertise to handle the job of Assistant CAO. Hopefully a similar EDC Grand Jury investigation won’t be necessary.

As you know **Compass2Truth** works in affiliation with several other Watchdog organizations. Most people can’t attend all the county meetings, view them on-line, or glean much information from brief meeting minutes and biased media articles. The following recap of the issues we covered in previous meetings may be of assistance in submitting your written reply for timely public dissemination:

1. There are 4 bridge projects in the Coloma-Lotus region: Mt. Murphy Road, Bayne Road, Bassi Road and the Hwy. 49 Bridge at Lotus Road. **What are the funding sources and the total dollar amounts allocated for each bridge project?**
2. Per the audio of non-agenda items during the 8/9/12 RMAC meeting, it was announced by Howard Penn that the Bassi Road Bridge is on the same schedule as the Mt. Murphy Road Bridge project. DOT never responded to my inquiry during the 8/28 BOS presentation. **Which CIP schedule is the Bassi Road Bridge allocated – 5 year or 10 year schedule?**
3. Where is funding expected to come from for the **new** Mt. Murphy bridge, how is it allocated (DOT, CalTrans and/or CA State Parks), and when is it scheduled to be completed?
4. The **Hwy 49 bridge project at Lotus Road** was not contained within any CIP/TIM documents presented 8/28/12 to the BOS. This bridge is a significant expenditure for EDC, and at a minimum cost of \$17M, it is already generating controversy in the community. The 49 bridge is also a major component of the proposed Whitewater Park at Lotus-Henningson. That’s another significant factor

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impacting CEQA, budgets, taxes, roads, and property values. It is obvious by the correspondence included at the end of this document that this project is progressing under the covert direction of County Counsel, the Chamber of Commerce, American River Conservancy and CA State Parks. It is only appropriate that Supervisor Briggs or the CAO (not CalTrans as you indicated) provide the scope and schedule of these major projects. **What is the monetary breakdown of the 49 bridge project compared to the entire Hwy 49 realignment?**

5. Another project is a rumored **bridge** connecting the recently acquired 40 acre parcel across from Lotus-Henningson Park to the Marshall Gold Discovery Park. Concerns have already been expressed about hiking trails and **easements** connecting public land segments along the entire American River corridor. **What are the financial statistics, funding sources and schedule for this particular project?**
6. Also mentioned during the 8/9 RMAC meeting was the matter of the easement "given away by Supervisor Jack Sweeney." This was made in association with the 2-lane Mt. Murphy Road Bridge project extending from New River Road to Bayne Road at Dutch Creek near the base of my property. **What easement was Dave Martinez (owner of American River Resort) referring to, and exactly which private property parcels will be affected by this new Mt. Murphy bridge project?**
7. **Which specific private properties will be impacted by easements associated with CIP/DOT/trail projects planned in the Coloma-Lotus region, how will residents be notified, and how will this affect property values?**
8. The majority of upper Mt. Murphy Road is hard-surface overlay while lower portions near the MGD Park remain dirt/gravel chipseal. Despite the annual grading & compacting process, the road is rapidly deteriorating. The reality is ADT traffic has increased creating dust and pot-holes which contribute to the poor condition of the lower section of this historic road. **Is it cost-effective to continue grading & compacting loose gravel/dirt versus utilizing a permanent hard-surface product that will require less maintenance just on the lower 1/3 mile of Mt. Murphy?**
9. Parking enforcement and collection of fines was inadequately addressed in your letter. I already understand the process. It's the tracking of \$\$ that is the issue. This was a particular concern during the **fraudulent** April Meteorite Mania when our county roads and private properties were turned into a public hiking trails and parking lots. As the American River Trail corridor is expanded from Folsom, Coloma, Chili Bar and S. Lake Tahoe privacy & parking infringements will become of greater concern to residents adjacent to public lands. This will obviously impact property values. **Is Auditor Joe Harn the appropriate authority responsible to provide current data on the actual allocation of revenues generated by the issuance of parking citations/use fees within the American River Trail corridor? What is the feasibility of an outside audit?**
10. Relevant to Jeremy McReynolds recommendation of an MOU, the Rubicon Trail arrangement between EDSO, DOT and State Parks would be a logical extension encompassing the entire American River Trail corridor. It is my understanding that an MOU is indeed in process. **Why has this info been kept from the general public?**
11. Regarding the **Fee Waiver Policy B-2 at Lotus-Henningson Park**, my audio of the June 8, 2010 BOS meeting indicates that Gayle Erbe-Hamlin was given specific direction by Supervisor Briggs to amend the policy language. I had requested that item be pulled from Consent for public discussion after it was brought up during a Tax Payers Assn. meeting. The concern was that fees were being waived for special interest groups that did not qualify under the present language of the policy. **When and who authorized the fee waivers for the 2011 & 2012 American River Music Festival held at Lotus-Henningson Park?**

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12. What easements & Eminent Domain rights does the Hwy 49 Realignment Project contain, and how does it impact private property adjacent to the Marshall Gold Discovery Park and the American River Trail corridor?
13. Per this 2010 BLM & American River Conservancy Press Release, *“One element of this conservation initiative has been the acquisition of 16 river front properties and the development of a 25-mile recreational trail between Folsom Lake and Highway 49 just north of Coloma. It is hoped in the near future that a trail corridor will be completed between Sutter’s Fort in downtown Sacramento and Sutter’s Mill within the Marshall Gold State Park in Coloma. With the completion of the south Fork American River Trail, 98.5% of that distance will be covered by existing recreational trail.”* This brings up concerns impacting private property rights and easements along the trail corridor. **In light of the recent CA State Parks scandal, what contracts/concessions does the county have with American River Conservancy and the Marshall Gold Discovery Park?**
14. Which government agency oversees fund management of #14 above thus assuring proper accountability? (Refer to AB42 concerns about NGO accountability contained in the 7/15/11 COMPAS letter to Jim Ware and Jeremy McReynolds.)

The above issues are relevant to the General Plan, Land Management and Economic Development of our historic region. They consequently impact public safety and property values. However legitimate community concerns have been met with stonewalling or total silence. What else is being hidden from the public?

The real question is whether our meetings over the past 15 months with you, CAO Terri Daly, Roger Trout and the Marshall Gold Discovery Park were a deceptive ploy of government to take unfair advantage of El Dorado County citizens?

Your timely response is anticipated. If further clarification is needed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Melody Lane

Founder – Compass2Truth

Attachment

Cc: Governor Jerry Brown
 Congressman Tom McClintock
 Senator Ted Gaines
 Assemblywoman Beth Gaines
 John Laird, Natural Resources Agency
 Janelle Beland, Acting CA State Parks Director
 Scott Nakaji, Gold Fields Superintendent
 Vern Pierson, District Attorney

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From: Melody Lane [mailto:melodylane@calis.com]

Sent: Wednesday, September 12, 2012 5:21 PM

To: 'Roger Trout'; Kimberly Kerr; Gerri Silva

Cc: Terri Daly; Jim Wassner; greg.stanton@edcgov.us; Pierre Rivas; Sheriff DAgostini; Tim Becker; Jeremy McReynolds; bosfive@edcgov.us; bosone@edcgov.us; bosthree@edcgov.us; bosttwo@edcgov.us; Ron Briggs

Subject: RMAC, PLANNING, PARKS & EDSO

Importance: High

Roger: I've still not received the courtesy of your written response to the attached correspondence stemming from our 8/9 meeting in your office. You indicated due dates of **8/31** and then **9/7** meanwhile assuring *no stonewalling*. What's the excuse this time?

Kim: Your reply to related DOT/Parks & Recreation issues was due **9/1**. During the 8/28 BOS CIP/TIM presentation you were reminded about specific \$ figures associated with the **4 bridge projects in the Coloma-Lotus region**. What's the delay?

Gerri: Greg Stanton has been unresponsive to similar requests for information associated with RMAC. Of particular concern is his refusal to provide the Chili Bar Master Plan presentation made by Alan Ehrgott during the special 8/12/10 RMAC meeting held in the Marshall Gold Discovery Park Museum. That portion of the public meeting was deliberately censored from the audio provided by Environmental Mgt. Noah Rucker has been equally evasive in providing information even when requested in writing.

These issues were again the subject of our 9/4 meeting in Sheriff D'Agostini's office. They're also relevant to yesterday's BOS meeting when Lt. Tim Becker justified EDSO Boating expenditures for Search & Rescue equipment.

Of growing public concern are the obvious stonewalling tactics and lack of transparency & accountability to the citizens of EDC.

The Brown Act requires 72 hour public notification. Note the **8/9/12** minutes and **9/13** RMAC meeting agenda were distributed at 4:24 PM Tuesday 9/11. That's less than 51 hours public notice prior to the 9/13 meeting.

The grossly censored and manipulated minutes by Environmental Management bear *no semblance whatsoever* to the audio of the 8/9 RMAC meeting.

Note these excerpts from the draft minutes:

*Dave Martinez: **The Toe-Up Cup** at went well. No incidents occurred.*

*Stephen Liles: Suggested there must be a more cost effective way to rescue **drunk stranded inner tubers** off the river by the CHP helicopter. Utilizing the rafting companies or something else would have worked (non-life threatening EMS to use outfitters). **Asked County Staff for the amount of money spent out of the River Trust Fund for public projects like the purchase of HLP, building of HLP, purchase of Chili Bar, River Shuttle Matching funds, River Management Plan update, etc.***

*Marilyn Tahl: Said that **Parks Development has moved out of DOT and that there will hopefully be progress on the Chili Bar Master Plan/Park.***

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Parliamentary procedure was totally absent. It's apparent there is a different standard of conduct when I'm absent compared to highly controlled & regimented meetings when I've been present.

Forty minutes of the 80-minute meeting was spent on **non-agenda** items. Some people were allowed 8-10 minutes to speak. Howard Penn monopolized **20+ minutes** of that time. **What follows is just a small sample of the topics censored from the minutes:**

- The **Mt. Murphy Road** bridge project on same schedule as the **Bassi Road bridge**
- Relocation of the Mt. Murphy Rd. bridge from River Rd. to Bayne Road
- Subsequent **easements** "given away" by Jack Sweeney
- Design retro-fit going to BOS in next few weeks
- Howard Penn's meeting with Jeremy McReynolds to discuss 2 lane Mt. Murphy Bridge complications similar to the Tennessee Bridge
- CofC and CA State Parks involvement in **roads, bridges & park development**
- **Creation of "Recreation Districts"** (i.e. Chili Bar to Cronan Ranch, etc.) Master Plan already suggests this move; **Discussion NOT yet open to public**
- Planning and Parks want to move to this model; funding issue > lobbyists
- Discussions with Bill Center, Nate Rangle, ARC staff re: County Chamber of Commerce or American River Music responsible for contract, then contract out for provider. Set up to have another agency to come in and take over.
- **Quiet Zone** is an alcohol free zone; discussion about ARR SUP & 100 ft. buffer for "dry" campgrounds;
- Briggs to meet re: private property **exempt** from alcohol buffer zone;
- Rafters Gone Wild; no alcohol permitted at LHP
- Rigid guidelines on public comment to stakeholders;
- Delays in swift water rescue @ Troublemaker Rapids on 8/1/12; kid stuck on rock; State Parks & EDSO involved; (pictures provided in 8/1 email)
- **White Water Park @ LHP** that will be Ron Briggs' "legacy" as he leaves office in 2 years
- Won't call it a "Whitewater Park" – **deceptive language to be used**; land acquisitions on other side of park for hiking, trails, parking, access
- Ron Briggs involvement with the Rubicon & F.O.R. – **not public**
- County Counsel Lou Green's retirement will decide whether to "elevate internally" or to go outside for "fresh thinking"
- Don't focus on campground business – **avoid public eye**
- River Shuttle vans > transfer ownership back to County with amendment to contract; new language necessary.
- **Covert RMAC meetings counseled by Ron Briggs how to surreptitiously get around Brown Act**
- Govt. code prohibits RMAC from doing business outside of the county
- LAFCO - "community oriented solution" and Delphi techniques
- How much \$ spent on Chili Bar River Shuttle, HL Park & River Management Plan?
- How much of the RMF \$ is public funded?

This information is necessary to conduct meetings with constituents & our affiliates. As previously discussed, we need to move forward on 2 campground SUP revocations with the Planning Commission. **It's been over 10 years since the petitions were submitted to Planning. When may we expect your responses?**

Regards,

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Melody Lane

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Democracy is two wolves and a lamb voting on what to have for dinner. Liberty is a well-armed lamb contesting the vote.

From: Roger Trout [<mailto:roger.trout@edcgov.us>]

Sent: Friday, August 31, 2012 3:44 PM

To: Melody Lane

Subject: Re: 9/4 SUP Meeting Confirmation

Melody,

I have the meeting on my calendar.

On a related note, the DSD written response to your questions will be delayed into next week. We had some top priority issues come up this week and we don't have the document finished. It will be done by next Friday, Sept 7.

On Fri, Aug 31, 2012 at 11:14 AM, Melody Lane <melodylane@calis.com> wrote:

Thanks for your cooperation in pulling together this one hour meeting on 9/4.

When: Tuesday 9/4 @ 2:00 PM

Where: Sheriff D'Agostini's office

Topic: RMAC - SUPs - Code & Law Enforcement

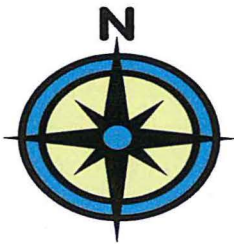
This meeting is specifically relevant to the RMP, Coloma Resort & American River Resort. An agenda will follow to keep us on track.

Have a terrific Labor Day weekend!

Melody Lane

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February 2, 2015

To: El Dorado County Board of Supervisors
EDC Clerk to the Board

CA PUBLIC RECORDS ACT REQUEST


Pursuant to my rights under the California Public Records Act (Government Code Section 6250 et seq.), I ask to obtain copies of the following concerning the Mt. Murphy Road Bridge CIP:

- During the January 28th Mt. Murphy Road Bridge meeting held at Coloma Grange Hall Matt Smeltzer indicated that the bridge had been re-evaluated. As a result the bridge Sufficiency Rating had changed from a **1 Sufficiency Rating** to a **13 Sufficiency Rating**. Please supply copies of any/all correspondence and reports between Caltrans, EDC and CA State Parks relevant to this change in Sufficiency ratings for the Mt. Murphy Road Bridge.

If you determine that some but not all of the information is exempt from disclosure and that you intend to withhold it, I ask that you provide a signed notification citing the legal authorities on whom you rely.

To avoid unnecessary costs of duplication, electronic copies are acceptable and may be emailed to melody.lane@reagan.com. It is requested that your determination be made within **10 days** as stipulated within the California Public Records Act, **Government Code 6253(c)**.

Thanks for your anticipated cooperation.



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4. The County agrees not only to not oppose, but to affirmatively support, the Tribe's Interchange Project's inclusion in any Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Plan and Program, and to further affirmatively support the issuance of any construction permit by Caltrans for the construction of the Interchange Project. The County agrees to consider, in its discretion, to join the Tribe, at the Tribe's expense, to affirmatively oppose any effort by any party to enjoin the construction and/or opening of the Tribe's Gaming and Interchange Projects. The County agrees that it would be appropriate for construction to begin pending any judicial determination. The County further agrees that the harm to the Tribe from any injunction against construction or opening of the Tribe's Gaming and Interchange Projects would outweigh any harm to the environment.

5. The County will support any efforts by the Tribe to renegotiate and amend the compact it entered with the State of California in 1999. The Tribe agrees to undertake environmental reviews for projects commenced after, and pursuant to the terms of, any renegotiated or amended Compact. Regardless, the County acknowledges the payments provided herein will fully address the impacts the County perceives to be associated with the Gaming and Interchange Projects described herein. The Tribe consents to the inclusion in any future Compact with the State of California of a provision permitting the State of California to enforce this Agreement on behalf of the County.

L. Term/Due Dates. Both Parties' obligations to honor this Agreement take effect immediately upon its execution. With the exception of Section A, this Agreement shall have a term of 20 years or the life of the Tribe's Compact with the State of California (whichever is longer). However, the Tribe's annual payment obligations to the State and the County are due on the 365th day of the Gaming Project's operation (unless otherwise stated), and shall be made to the State and County on that same day every year for 20 years or the life of the Compact (whichever is longer), or in the case of the HOV Project, for 20 years.

M. Monitoring, Re-opener and Continued Relations.

1. For purposes of ensuring the County is receiving the compensation to which it is entitled under this Agreement, the County will monitor the number of gaming devices the Tribe has in operation through the State of California's oversight of the Tribe's gaming facility, which tracks the number of gaming devices in connection with the Tribal-State Compact.

2. In an effort to foster the government-to-government relationship between the County and the Tribe, representatives of the County and the Tribe agree to meet on a regular basis, and no less than annually, to discuss any issues or concerns either or both may possess with respect to their respective communities, whether in connection with the Tribe's Gaming Project, impacts associated with the Gaming Project, this Agreement or otherwise.

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Thank you, Supervisor Ranalli, for getting the ball rolling on the open shooting range project on Shingle Springs Drive. I've been told that the Tribe wants to be neighborly and work with the community. However, there are a couple things that need to be set straight:

The Tribe has said that they did outreach with the nearby schools. I have confirmed with each of the school principals that the Tribe did not reach out to the schools, nor try to address the schools' concerns.

The Tribe did reach out and talk with 2 people of the Trails group. Unfortunately, they were told that the shooting lanes would not be pointed at the El Dorado Trail rail tracks. Recent information shows that the shooting lanes will, indeed, point directly at the tracks and trail. The trails groups at large do not support this project amid concerns for stray bullets and noise. I am in the process of contacting the train group.

The Tribe did not reach out to the nearby neighborhoods. The South Buckeye Rancheros HOA contacted the Tribe. The HOA Board was told that the Tribe would do whatever they wanted on the land. There was no opportunity to have concerns addressed.

Other nearby neighborhoods have expressed a concern for noise. This won't be a few random shots fired occasionally. This will be 29 lanes of shooting, possibly all day. Gunshot noise travels far. This is a major concern for many of the neighbors, including the schools. My understanding is that it is nearly impossible to mitigate noise.

A lot of residents are fervently doing research to understand what is the bottom line for development on this land. And that is the heart of the problem: residents are doing research and we end up with more questions than we have answers.

I have gone back to the 2006 MOU (Memorandum of Understanding). On page 6, Section K5, it clearly states, "The Tribe agrees to undertake environmental review for projects commenced after, and pursuant to the terms of, any renegotiated or amended Compact." Based on this statement it appears that the intent is for the Tribe to do environmental review on all of their projects.

The tribe may have sovereignty on their land, but the roads belong to the County. Shingle Springs Drive is a county road. Period.

And this is more than just the shooting range. Across the street on Shingle Springs Drive the Tribe intends to put a gas station and fast food restaurant.

What size of gas station? How many pumps? Is this a truck stop? What other buildings will be constructed? Café? Coffee shop? Alcohol sales? On site alcohol? What is the daily car count?

Shingle Springs Drive is a typical rural two lane road not intended for intense Highway commercial use, at all.

I am requesting that the County firmly demand a set of plans from the Tribe and appropriate studies to ascertain the mitigations due to their development. Please have County staff send a letter to the Tribe requesting plans and studies.

You are our representatives. We are counting on you to act on our behalf in matters of public health and safety. Please put this urgent matter on the agenda for public discussion as soon as possible.

Thank you,

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