

RESOLUTION NO. 067-2017

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

WHEREAS, The Pony Express Trail has existed since 1860, providing a continuous mail route between St. Joseph, Missouri, and San Francisco, California, and;

WHEREAS, The Pony Express Trail is a national treasure, rich with historical significance to the westward expansion of the U.S. and locally to El Dorado County, and;

WHEREAS, The Pony Express Trail is designated as a National Historic Trail, is part of the National Trails System and is listed on the national Register of Historic Places, thus demonstrating its importance on a national scale, and;

WHEREAS, The Brockliss Bridge was removed in 1988 because it was unstable, installing a new multi-use bridge would improve access to and across the South Fork of the American River and Eldorado National Forest for multiple recreation uses, and;

WHEREAS, The Brockliss Bridge was identified as a "high potential site" in the National Park Service Comprehensive Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement for the Pony Express National Historic Trail system, and;

WHEREAS, construction of a new bridge would provide access to multiple National Forest Trails as well as continuous Pony Express Trail access for 25 miles from Pollock Pines, CA to Echo Summit at the crest of the Sierra Nevada mountains, and;

WHEREAS, construction of a new Brockliss Bridge would provide economic benefit to El Dorado County in close proximity to population centers, historic sites, and accessible trails throughout the year by enhancing local, regional and international tourism, and;

WHEREAS, El Dorado County, Eldorado National Forest Service, El Dorado County Transportation Commission, Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, National Pony Express Association and many other organizations and groups have recognized the importance of The Pony Express Trail and the Brockliss Bridge, and;

WHEREAS, El Dorado County recognizes that maintenance will be required for the Brockliss Bridge upon completion, and,

WHEREAS, El Dorado County has determined the Brockliss Bridge to be of great value and significance in El Dorado County and as such, is willing to maintain the bridge.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

El Dorado County will enter into a maintenance agreement with the Eldorado National Forest Service for The Brockliss Bridge once constructed, providing additional recreational opportunities and economic benefit to El Dorado County.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 18th day of April 2017 by the following vote of said Board:	
	Ayes: Novasel,Ranalli,Hidahl,Frentzen,Veerkamp
Attest:	Noes: None
James S. Mitrisin	Absent: None
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors By:	
Deputy Clerk	Chair, Board of Supervisors