



Mosquito Bridge

2 messages

The BOSFOUR <bosfour@edcgov.us>
To: EDC COB <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Wed, Aug 2, 2017 at 8:29 AM

For the Tuesday 8/8/17 agenda
File #17-0725

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From: **Sally Long Johns** <snlongjohns@yahoo.com>
Date: Wed, Aug 2, 2017 at 7:06 AM
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Dear Board of Supervisors:

I have lived in the community of Mosquito for 25 years and it is time for the new bridge. Our population has greatly increased and along with it the traffic. I can attest to the traffic increase because I live **ON** Mosquito Road near just a few miles from the existing wooden, single lane suspension bridge and although it is charming it is the left over relic of the Gold Rush era days.

Mosquito/Swansboro is a community of active retired adults and working families with children. The existing road and access was created by and for a small settlement of families in the 1800's. In 1967 the BOS approved a 700+/- subdivision using the existing roads. Medical necessity and Modern lifestyle needs, wants and expectations dictate the need for a change to the road and access. Just this past Spring most of our residents had a significant detour of **over an hour just to get to the highway** for their daily work, school, medical appointments, and shopping needs. Can you imagine driving ONE HOUR just to begin your daily commute to work? The road way is still in awful condition. We don't want a bandaid. **We want a new bridge and access.** As our BOS you are charged with the care of all of our county residents - including those who chose to live remotely.

In February of 2014 my husband suffered a significant life threatening medical crisis and knowing that most of the ambulances in our county **can't actually FIT** across the existing bridge forced me to make the decision to DRIVE him myself, in the early morning hours, with our 14 year old son ready to perform CPR in the car. Please move **forward** before another family is forced to make a decision like we had to. Our experience turned out well because we have a level of medical training and confidence that most families don't have.

It's a great day in Mosquito/Swansboro,

Sally Long Johns

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2014 Past President and Life Time Member of Top Achievers for El Dorado County - 14 consecutive years 2003 - 2015
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From: **Robin Gallemore** <r3jbranch@yahoo.com>
Date: Tue, Aug 1, 2017 at 11:24 AM
Subject: Mosquito Bridge
To: bosfour@edcgov.us

Throughout this past winter, it became more apparent why we need a new bridge on Mosquito Road. Our hillsides have taken about all they can give. Our trees are dying. Our shoulders are crumbling away. Our potholes are getting big enough to hide a vehicle in them.

And yet after 25 years of driving our road I have mixed emotions about a new bridge. Will we lose our "down home " feel? Will our traffic become like any other metropolitan area? Will we notice the time saved verses the extra time we spent with our children?

The safety of our residents on their way to and fro must be of paramount importance. At this point and time I believe a new bridge is needed for our community for the safety of our community members, the response time of mutual aide for emergencies and replacement of our current bridge for the growing needs of our growing community. i thank you in advance for your thoughts and consideration for the Mosquito area.

Sincerely,
Robin Gallemore 530-906-6827
Sent from my iPhone

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Comments for File # 17-0725 for the August 8, 2017 Board agenda

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From: **Trent Williams** <trentlw@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Aug 2, 2017 at 11:40 AM
Subject: Mosquito Bridge
To: bosfour@edcgov.us

Mr. Rinalli,

As a resident of the Swansboro community I am requesting your continued support and influence to move the new Mosquito bridge project forward in an expedited fashion. The bridge is a measure of safety and security for the members of this community. The current bridge is dangerous and woefully inadequate as well as the alternative Rock Creek road

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which is unsafe and marginally maintained. We appreciate your support and influence in expediting the bridge to provide a safe transportation path to this community.

Regards,

Trent Williams
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Placerville, CA

Sent from my iPhone

April 1, 2017

Dear Sirs and Madams,

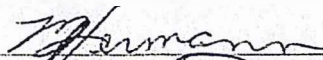
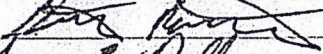

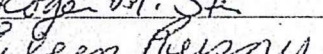
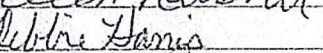


We, the Board of Directors of Swansboro Country Property Owners Association, wholeheartedly advocate and support the new Mosquito Bridge Installation. Swansboro Country POA is comprised of 630 owners of 695 residential lots inside the Mosquito Fire Protection District, dependent upon the old Mosquito Bridge on Mosquito Road and the Chili Bar Bridge on SR193.

However, our safety and welfare is in jeopardy every day that the New Mosquito Bridge is delayed. Fire protection, law enforcement, medical, and life services are limited by the single vehicle bridge that now exists. Every time a rock or mudslide occurs on SR193, or Rock Creek Road which connects to SR193, Mosquito/Swansboro is effectively cut off from the prompt support services that most communities routinely expect.

Consequently, allowing self-serving special interest parties' attempts to stall the construction of the new bridge by lending credence to their frivolous claims to the funds already allocated for the new bridge is unacceptable. The safety, health and welfare of the over one thousand taxpaying families who need the new Mosquito Bridge take precedent over the few, unaffected by the new bridge construction, who seek to exploit our plight in order to subsidize their recreational pursuits.

Therefore, we the representatives of Swansboro Country POA, recognizing that the new Mosquito Bridge is our critical link to safety and health services, urge the expeditious progression of this vital bridge construction.

With our deepest appreciation,

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"El Dorado County will remain the leader in supporting our safe, healthy, and vibrant communities, wisely managing our natural resources, and preserving our local heritage"

March 6, 2017

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El Dorado County Board of Supervisors
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RE: Proponents for Advancement of Mosquito Bridge Construction

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Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of our community's safety and well-being.

Sincerely,

Gerald M. Johnson

cc: The Honorable Governor Jerry Brown

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February 13, 2017

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Supervisor Brian Veerkamp
Supervisor Sue Novasel
El Dorado County Board of Supervisors
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Placerville, CA 95667

RE: "El Dorado County will remain the leader in supporting our safe, healthy, and vibrant communities, wisely managing our natural resources, and preserving our local heritage

Dear Supervisors Ranalli, Hidhal, Frentzen, Veerkamp, and Novasel:

It was hard for us to believe the EIR regarding construction of the new Mosquito Bridge had been halted due to "rafting enthusiasts." Apparently, life and safety of residents in Mosquito and Swansboro are not vitally important as compared to recreational concerns of these rafters who held up the certification process. It says volumes about how you view your tax-paying residents; many who work daily or attend school and need to access this dangerous bridge.

This is the third time construction of Mosquito Bridge has come before the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors. Substantial sums of money and time have been expended (and previously wasted in this process) by the Board. Now again, this project (for the third time with over \$30 million in federal grant funds) has been held up by "rafters" who (I've been informed) could be apathetic about tax-paying residents' safety in our area, as recreational needs take priority; thus the reason for delaying the construction of this vital bridge for safety and well-being of this community. Is it the assessment of this Board that we, taxpayers of this community, continue to pay for rafters' "recreation" to the detriment of our protection and safety?

How can this even be debatable until April? I was recently informed by DOT the EIR "may" come before the Board of Supervisors at that time. The last I heard it was moving along smoothly and was to be certified by you no later than January 2017. How long does it take to do an EIR when it involves securing safety for its own residents?

I must protest. Development of Swansboro was approved by the County of El Dorado decades ago. Expensive building permits have been issued by El Dorado County and paid for by residents in Mosquito and Swansboro. Excessively high taxes have been paid by these same citizens. Where is the concern for these tax-paying residents with regards to their safety and well-being, which is a priority in your mission statement referenced above?

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No safe "launch" exists for rafters at the historic Mosquito Bridge. It is dangerous and difficult to access the South Fork of the American River from this site. Each time an individual rafts down these dangerous rapids, emergency personnel's safety is in jeopardy when rescue of these "recreational enthusiasts" is required.

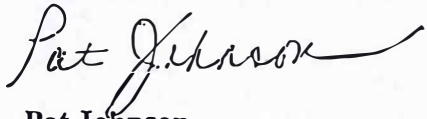
We have just experienced torrential rains this winter. Extremely dangerous conditions are present on Mosquito Bridge, Mosquito Road, and Rock Creek Road. For the safety of your citizens, do the right thing and get this EIR certified promptly; move forward with the construction of a two-lane bridge for access by not only residents but by fire personnel, ambulances, school buses, etc. Mosquito Bridge and Mosquito Road are now closed indefinitely due to these rains. The integrity of the bridge and road are very concerning and costing EDC taxpayers more expensive repairs with no end in sight.

Furthermore, the integrity of Rock Creek Road is now in question. We in Mosquito and Swansboro are amazed (and relieved) that no EDC public school bus has yet to drive off Rock Creek Road into the American River Canyon. (It would be extremely easy to do.) Is this what the county is waiting for—a major catastrophic event to beset this community before you provide a safe ingress/egress for its citizens with \$30 million grant funds that are available now?

If we lose this substantial grant money due to "recreational enthusiasts" and the inaction of the EDC Board of Supervisors, it will tell me much about the community I live.

Thank you for your kind consideration of these observations and comments.

Another Concerned Citizen Advocating Construction of Mosquito Bridge
Utilizing the \$30+ Million Federal Grant Funds,



Pat Johnson
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cc: The Honorable Governor Jerry Brown
Fire Chief Edward Dwyer, Mosquito Fire Protection District
Board of Mosquito Fire Protection District
Board of Swansboro Country Property Owners Association
El Dorado County Fire Safe Council
El Dorado County Department of Transportation

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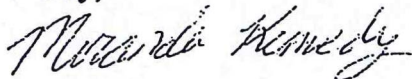
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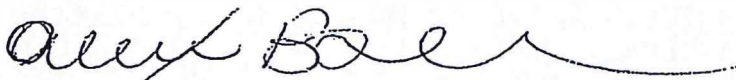
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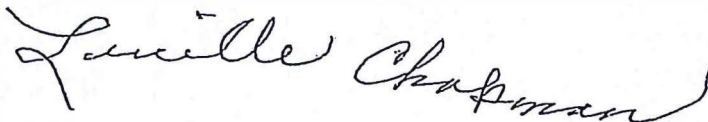
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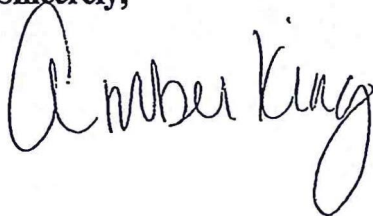
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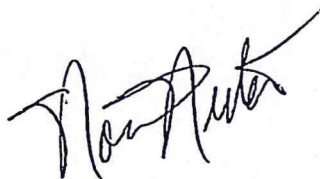
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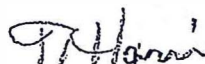
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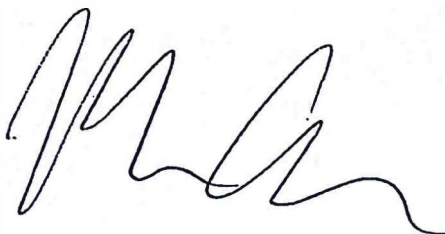
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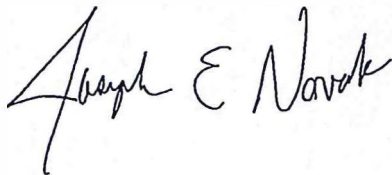
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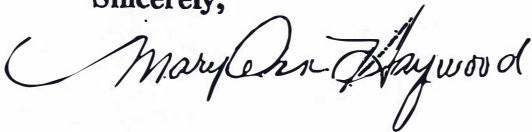
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