



COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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AGENDA ITEM

DATE: July 29, 2003
TO: Board of Supervisors
SUBJECT: CUT THE CHAINS AND OPEN THE LANES! (District: All)

SUMMARY:

Overview

The HOV/Express Lanes on I-15 are currently underutilized because they are not open on the weekends. This action will state our Board's conviction that these lanes should be opened to weekend traffic.

Recommendation(s)

SUPERVISOR ROBERTS AND SUPERVISOR SLATER:

Approve the attached resolution recommending the immediate opening of the HOV/Express Lanes on weekends for use by high occupancy vehicles and FasTrak customers.

Fiscal Impact

None.

BACKGROUND:

Our Board has consistently sought creative ways to address traffic congestion, one of the highest priority concerns of San Diego County residents. Today's action will tell Caltrans and SANDAG that our Board wants the Express Lanes opened immediately for weekend travel. Caltrans should use the data they already have to determine the demand pattern, and open the lanes to serve that demand.

More capacity will result in a quicker and safer trip for people using I-15 on the weekends. As the folks at Nike say, "Just do it!"

Respectfully Submitted,

RON ROBERTS
Supervisor, Fourth District

PAM SLATER
Supervisor, Third District

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PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOARD ACTIONS:

N/A

BOARD POLICIES APPLICABLE:

N/A

BOARD POLICY STATEMENTS:

N/A

CONTRACT NUMBER(S):

N/A

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

DEPARTMENT:

PROGRAM:

PROPOSAL:

	FUTURE YEARS ESTIMATED BUDGET OF PROPOSAL IF ADOPTED				
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
	Budgeted Amount For Proposal	Proposed Change in Budgeted Amount	Proposed Revised Current Year Budget (a+b)	1st Subsequent Year	2nd Subsequent Year
Direct Cost					
Revenue/Other Offset					
NET GENERAL FUND COST					
Staff Years					

Sources of Revenue/Other Offset for Proposed Change and Subsequent Years:

Space-Related Impacts: Will this proposal result in any additional space requirements? Yes N/A

Support/Other Departmental Impacts: Yes N/A

Remarks: Yes N/A