



# County of Monterey

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## Board Report

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- b. Authorize the Director of Public Works, Facilities and Parks to sign the Agreement.

### RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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### SUMMARY:

Approval of the Agreement between the City of Salinas and the County of Monterey for the Davis Road Bridge Replacement and Road Widening Project (“Agreement”) is necessary to construct the Davis Road Bridge Replacement and Road Widening Project (“Project”) and relocate the access to the City of Salinas Industrial Wastewater site (APN 207-201-001). The Agreement will provide Monterey County provide 5,243 square feet of permanent roadway easement and 45,614 square feet of temporary construction easement and from parcel APN 207-201-001 to construct the Project. The Agreement also provides Pacific Gas and Electric Company, a California corporation, a 19,466 square feet utility easement along its frontage with Davis Road to relocate an existing natural gas pipeline that is in conflict with the bridge construction.

### DISCUSSION:

The Public Works, Facilities, and Parks Department (PWFP) is working on the right-of-way phase of the Davis Road Bridge Replacement and Road Widening Project. The Project consists of replacing the existing two-lane, low-level Davis Road Bridge (Bridge No. 44C-0068) over the Salinas River with a longer bridge that meets current American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) requirements. The existing Davis Road Bridge is located approximately two (2) miles south of the City of Salinas. The Project also proposes to widen Davis Road from two (2) lanes to four (4) lanes for approximately 2.1 miles between Blanco Road on the north and Reservation Road on the south.

The Project’s primary purpose is to construct an all-weather crossing over the Salinas River on Davis Road. The current river crossing is a low-level crossing that is overtopped during larger flows of the Salinas River. The concept of widening Davis Road to four-lanes resulted from the need to provide further carrying capacity between the Salinas area and the Monterey Peninsula. The need for widening was further articulated in the Regional Transportation Plans developed by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) for the region and the Fort Ord Reuse planning documents. Furthermore, on June 24, 2015, the TAMC Board adopted the Marina-Salinas Multimodal Corridor Conceptual Plan that included the all-weather crossing and the four-laning on Davis Road between Reservation Road and Blanco Road. To further the multimodal aspect of the corridor, the Project proposes to provide class II bike lanes along Davis Road, and a bus queue-at the intersection of Blanco and Davis Roads. The Project will also reconstruct the intersections of Reservation Road/Davis Road by replacing the existing signal with a roundabout. The Reservation Road/Davis Road intersection improvements are mitigation requirements to offset the additional traffic from the East Garrison Development.

On July 11, 2016, The Board of Supervisors certified the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Project and directed the former Resource Management Agency (RMA) to proceed with the Project's final design and related activities to be able to construct the Project. An EIR Addendum for the Project was prepared to amend the Project design details to incorporate design modifications following the Value Analysis Study Report prepared in 2017. The EIR Addendum was filed and approved by Caltrans on May 8, 2020.

The City of Salinas Industrial Wastewater site is located along Davis Road and the access to the site will need to be relocated due to the new bridge spanning the Salinas River. PWWP staff is working with adjacent property owners to relocate the City's access to Davis Road further north to the intersection of Davis Road and Foster Road. The City's access will be along a proposed frontage road to be used by the City and property owners currently accessing Davis Road within the limits of the proposed bridge.

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The Project is scheduled for construction for Fall 2023, following the acquisition of all the easements and issuance of the regulatory permits for the Project. As part of the Project, existing fencing, gates and City facilities in conflict with the Project construction will be relocated by the Project at no cost to the City of Salinas.

#### OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

PWWP staff has collaborated with the City staff in drafting the Agreement and developing terms for said Agreement. The City of Salinas approved the agreement on October 18, 2022. The Office of the County Counsel has reviewed and approved the Agreement as to form.

#### FINANCING:

The Project's estimated total cost, including engineering, environmental, right-of-way and construction, is \$77.7 million. The Project is currently unfunded in the amount of \$23.9 million. Staff is actively pursuing additional funding sources to fully fund the Project before initiating the construction phase. If full funding is not obtained for the Project by the time final design has been completed, staff will analyze options for phasing the Project's construction.

Funding from various Federal, State and local revenue sources has been authorized for the design and right-of-way portion of the Project. Sufficient appropriations of \$6,554,715 are available for this Project phase in the Public Works FY 23 Annual Work Program for Road Fund, Fund 002, Unit 8558. Therefore, there is no planned General Fund contribution for this Project.

The City of Salinas is providing the various easements described in this Agreement in exchange for relocating the parcel access point via a new frontage road connecting to Davis Road. The construction of the frontage road is already included in the construction cost for the Project.

#### BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

The Project will replace the existing seismically deficient Davis Road Bridge with a new four (4) lane bridge that meets AASHTO and Caltrans Design Standards and widen the road to four-lanes to meet the traffic needs.

The recommended action supports the following Board of Supervisors' Strategic Initiatives:

- ☐ Economic Development
- ☐ Administration
- ☐ Health & Human Services
- ☒ Infrastructure
- ☒ Public Safety

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The following attachments are on file with the Clerk of the Board:

Attachment A - Project Budget

Attachment B - Location Map

Attachment C - Agreement