

# MONTEREY COUNTY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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## MEMORANDUM

**Date:** August 5, 2013

**To:** Board of Supervisors  
Lew Bauman, CAO  
Benny J. Young, RMA Director

**From:** Robert K. Murdoch, Public Works Director *RKM*

**Subject:** EXCEEDING CONTINGENCY FOR THE BLACKIE ROAD SAFETY  
IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The purpose of this memorandum is to notify the Board of Supervisors of the approval of Supplement 1 to Change Order #8 and Change Order #10 for the Blackie Road Safety Improvement Project (Project). With the approval of these two change orders, the cumulative total of all change orders will exceed the authorized contingency for the Project.

The Board of Supervisor awarded a construction contract to Granite Construction Company on August 28, 2012 for the Project in the amount of \$1,463,157. The Project budget included \$146,316 for contingencies. Prior to the date of this memorandum, nine change orders have been approved for this Project:

Change Order #1	Changeable Message Sign Boards	\$ 4,510
Change Order #2	Storm Water Risk Level One	No Cost
Change Order #3	Silt Fence Installation	\$ 20,000
Change Order #4	18" Storm Drain Water Pipe	\$ 50,000
Change Order #5	Down Drain & Slope Repair	\$ 10,000
Change Order #6	Pothole for Utilities	\$ 7,000
Change Order #7	Removal of Unsuitable Material	\$ 10,000
Change Order #8	Right of Way Delays – Red Tail Hawk Nesting	\$ 25,000
Change Order #9	18" HDPE	\$ 7,020
	Total	\$133,530

The change orders approved today will provide the following and will exceed the Project contingency:

- Supplement 1 to Change Order #8 for \$25,000 will compensate the contractor for delays

associated with the California Tiger Salamander, a listed species.

- Change Order #10 for \$35,000 will address drainage and localized flooding concerns adjacent to 16231 Blackie Road by installing a drainage inlet and piping within the County's roadside ditch to provide adequate capacity for runoff from surrounding properties

In accordance with the Board adopted Contract Change Order Procedure for Public Works Construction Projects, dated August 28, 2001, the Public Works Director has the authority to approve change orders exceeding the approved contingency amount to avoid "*adversely affect[ing] the County's interest in the progress of the work*".

However, the Director must notify the Board in writing of this approval and go to the Board at the next available meeting to seek confirmation of this action. It is anticipated that an item will be scheduled for the August 27<sup>th</sup> Board meeting date.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 755-4831.