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## NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Michael Stoltz for Robert Peterson - Director  
Roads Department  
**REPORT BY:** Nancy Stiltz, Senior Office Assistant - 944-0196  
**SUBJECT:** Resolution temporarily closing portions of Dry Creek Road, Oakville Grade, Oakville Cross Road, and Silverado Trail

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Director of Public Works requests adoption of a resolution temporarily closing portions of Dry Creek Road, Oakville Grade, Oakville Cross Road and Silverado Trail from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm on Tuesday, February 19, 2008 for the Amgen Tour of California bike race.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Anschutz Entertainment Group, Inc. (AEG) Cycling is requesting a temporary closure of Dry Creek Road, Oakville Grade, Oakville Cross Road and Silverado Trail for the Amgen Tour of California bike race on Tuesday, February 19th from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact?                      No

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

### **BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

AEG Cycling is planning "2008 Amgen Tour of California", a professional style bike race modeled after the Tour de France. The race is governed and follows the same rules by the same international cycling federation. It has the same teams and riders as the Tour de France. The principal difference is that this race is shorter and not as arduous as it is the first race of the season. The race consists of 17 teams, each with eight riders. The race program includes a Prologue and seven point to point road stages, each stage varying between 95 and 135 miles in length. The race begins in Palo Alto on February 17th and concludes in Pasadena on February 24th. Last year was the first year that this event took place within Napa County.

In addition to the 136 professional racers, there will be approximately 65 vehicles that travel within the race. This includes the California Highway Patrol (CHP), team cars, medical support, mechanical support, race officials, motorcycle marshals, and television crews. The entire race moves as one entity at an average speed of approximately 28 miles per hour. It takes the race about 90 seconds to pass any given spot on the road.

The event requires total road closure that is managed by the CHP. CHP will allow cross traffic and traffic turning onto the course and heading away from the race until approximately 10 minutes before the race reaches the intersection, but will prevent cars from turning onto the road heading into the race. Traffic moving the same direction and ahead of the race will be allowed to flow until the race is approximately 10 minutes behind the traffic. Traffic that is moving into the race will be stopped approximately 30 minutes before the race reaches any given point.

Four of Napa County's roads will be part of Stage 2 on February 19th. Stage 2 leaves Santa Rosa and finishes in Sacramento. The race will cross Highway 12 onto Trinity Road in Glen Ellen. The race will then enter Napa County as Trinity Road becomes Dry Creek Road. The race bears left onto Oakville Grade and will make a left turn onto Highway 29. A quick right onto the Oakville Cross Road takes the race to a left turn onto the Silverado Trail. The race will continue on Silverado Trail until it makes a right onto Highway 128 and leaves Napa County roads. The race will proceed to Highway 128 and continue to Solano County just past Lake Berryessa.

This route has been reviewed and approved by CHP and Caltrans. The organizers will work with CHP, Caltrans and Napa County Sheriff's Department to create a traffic management plan to manage the traffic and road closures and minimize the impact on local traffic and residents along the course. They are aware that significant signage and notification about possible delays along Highway 29 and Oakville Grade will be required. Residents along the route will be notified prior to the event.

An insurance certificate and CHP contract will be on file before issuing the permit.

The following conditions are required to ensure adequate notification to the public and to provide a safe environment:

- a. All traffic control devices and personnel be in conformance with Caltrans' Traffic Manual.
- b. All properties having access to the portion of Dry Creek Road, Oakville Grade, Oakville Cross Road, and Silverado Trail being closed shall be notified prior to the event and access shall be provided to them during the event.
- c. Access shall be provided for emergency vehicles at all times.
- d. AEG Cycling shall contract with the California Highway Patrol (CHP) for traffic control services during the event.
- e. A certificate of insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 shall be provided to the County naming the County of Napa as additional insured.
- f. All costs of clean up and repairs to County facilities damaged as a result of this event shall be borne by AEG Cycling.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

- A . Resolution
- B . 2008 Amgen Route Map
- C . Letter to Napa County Residents

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi