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## NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Rick Marshall for Steven Lederer - Director of Public Works  
Roads Department

**REPORT BY:** Nancy Stiltz, Senior Office Assistant - 944-0196

**SUBJECT:** Resolution temporarily closing a portion of Berryessa Knoxville Road for the HITS Triathlon Series

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Director of Public Works requests adoption of a resolution temporarily closing a portion of Berryessa Knoxville Road on Saturday, April 9, 2016 from 7:00 A.M. to Midnight and on Sunday, April 10, 2016 from 7:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. for the HITS Triathlon Series - Napa Valley.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The event organizer for HITS, Inc. has requested a temporary closure of a portion of Berryessa Knoxville Road on Saturday, April 9th from 7:00 A.M. to Midnight and Sunday, April 10th from 7:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. for the HITS Triathlon Series - Napa Valley.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact?                      No

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: Approval of the project is a ministerial action which is exempt from CEQA (14 CCR 15268; Friends of Sierra Madre v. City of Sierra Madre (2001) 25 Cal. 4th 165).

**BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

The event organizers of HITS, Inc., as part of its nationwide HITS Triathlon Series, are planning five triathlon competitions consisting of swim, bike, and run segments, originating and finishing at Lake Berryessa's Chaparral Cove the weekend of April 9th and 10th, 2016. HITS, Inc. is based in Saugerties, New York.

Setup for the event will take place on Friday, April 8th, but road closure is not required for event setup. Two of the triathlon competitions will take place on Saturday, April 9th and the remaining three competitions will take place on Sunday, April 10th. Take-down will take place after the races on Sunday, April 10th. It is estimated that there will be 400 participants and 300 spectators for Saturday's events, and 1,000 participants and 500 spectators on Sunday.

There are five distances for the competition events with the longest being held on Saturday, April 9th. The swim course for all five competitions will be staged at Chaparral Cove. The run course for all five events will take place on Berryessa Knoxville Road. The bike course on Saturday will include Berryessa-Knoxville Road, Pope Canyon Road, Pope Valley Cross Road, Butts Canyon Road, James Creek Road, Chiles Pope Valley Road, and Sage Canyon Road. Sunday's bike competitions will use a course which includes Berryessa-Knoxville Road going south and turning around at 1.5, 6.2, and 12.4 miles.

Traffic control will be contracted through California Highway Patrol (CHP) and delays will be minimal. CHP has requested a partial road closure for the run course on Berryessa-Knoxville Road from Chaparral Cove north for 6.55 miles, Saturday from 7:00 A.M. to midnight and Sunday from 7:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. The bike course involves longer distances, and participants are not permitted to "draft" behind other participants (therefore they will all be traveling individually on the affected roads). Because of the nature of the event, CHP is not requesting road closures on any of the roads involved in the bike course. Traffic will still be monitored along the entire route.

Parking will be accommodated in the parking area of Chaparral Cove which has sufficient parking, therefore a shuttle system will not be necessary. The impact on traffic will be slight since the greatest amount of sustained traffic related to the event will be between 5:00 A.M. and 6:30 A.M. when the athletes arrive.

The event organizer has contracted with American Medical Response West (AMR West) for standby ambulance service for the duration of both days' events. Aid stations, latrines and waste receptacles will be placed off the roadway at various locations.

The event organizer will place a notice in the newspapers serving the area at least 14 days prior to the event describing the date and time of the event and a contact name and phone number where information may be obtained. Residents in the road closure portion of Berryessa-Knoxville Road will receive a letter 14 days before the event.

The following conditions are being required by Public Works 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 Berryessa-Knoxville Road 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. HITS, Inc. 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 HITS, Inc.

**Calendar of Events**

The following special events were scheduled in the six weeks prior to this event, with road closures as noted:

- | Napa Valley Marathon, Calistoga to Napa on Silverado Trail, March 6 – closure of Silverado Trail
- | Carneros Vineyard Run, Carneros area, March 26 - closure of Henry Road

The following special events are scheduled in the six weeks following this event; road closures noted:

- | Wine Valley Cycle for Sight/Rotary Ride for Veterans, western county and valley, April 16 – no road closures
- | Napa Valley Silverado Half Marathon, April 17 – closure of Silverado Trail, Calistoga to Crystal Springs
- | Bottega Gran Fondo, Central Napa Valley, Pope Valley, Lake Berryessa, April 24 – no road closures
- | Napa Valley Tour de Cure, Silverado Trail upvalley, May 1 – no road closures
- | ASICS & Destination Races, Beringer, St Helena to Napa County Fairgrounds, Calistoga, May 14 - no road closures
- | Davis Double Century, Pope Valley area, May 21 -- no road closures

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

- A . Resolution
- B . Swim, Bike & Run Maps
- C . Letter to Residents

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Bret Prebula