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## NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Ridenhour, Don - Director  
Roads Department

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution temporarily closing portions of Berryessa Knoxville Road, Pope Canyon Road, Pope Valley Cross Road, Chiles Pope Valley Road, Howell Mountain Road, Deer Park Road, Silverado Trail, Oakville Cross Road, and Oakville Grade

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Director of Public Works requests adoption of a resolution to temporarily close portions of Berryessa-Knoxville Road, Pope Canyon Road, Pope Valley Cross Road, Chiles-Pope Valley Road, Howell Mountain Road, Deer Park Road, Silverado Trail, Oakville Cross Road and Oakville Grade and Dry Creek Road from 11:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. on Monday, May 17th, 2010 for the Amgen Tour of California bike race.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Anschutz Entertainment Group, Inc. (AEG) Cycling is requesting a temporary closure of Berryessa-Knoxville Road from State Highway 128 to Pope Canyon Road, Pope Canyon Road from Berryessa-Knoxville Road to Pope Valley Cross Road, Pope Valley Cross Road from Pope Canyon Road to Chiles-Pope Valley Road, Chiles-Pope Valley Road from Pope Valley Cross Road to Howell Mountain Road, Howell Mountain Road from Chiles-Pope Valley Road to Deer Park Road, Deer Park Road from Howell Mountain Road to Silverado Trail, Silverado Trail from Deer Park Road to Oakville Cross Road, Oakville Cross Road from Silverado Trail to State Highway 29, State Highway 29 from Oakville Cross Road to Oakville Grade, Oakville Grade from State Highway 29 to Dry Creek Road, Dry Creek Road from Oakville Grade to Napa/Sonoma County Line which becomes Trinity Road (at mile post marker 8.81); for Monday, May 17, 2010 from 11:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. to provide for the safety and protection of persons using those portions of these County roads for the Amgen Tour of California bike race.

This is the fourth year that the Amgen event will take place within Napa County.

**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 "2010 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 between the two events is that the Amgen Tour of California is a shorter event, 8 days versus 21 days. The race consists of 16 teams, each with eight riders. The 2010 race will have eight point-to-point road stages. Each stage is between 95 and 135 miles in length. The race begins in Nevada City on May 16th and concludes in Thousand Oaks on May 23rd. This is the fourth year that the Amgen event will take place within Napa County. There have been no reported problems or complaints associated with previous years' events.

In addition to the 128 professional racers, there will be approximately 85 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 26 miles per hour. It takes the race about 5 minutes 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 5-10 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 20 minutes before the race reaches any given point.

Several of Napa County's roads will be part of Stage 2 on May 17th. This stage leaves Davis and finishes in Santa Rosa. The race will enter onto Napa County roads when the race makes a right turn off of Highway 128 onto Berryessa-Knoxville Road. Additional Napa County roads that will be used include Pope Canyon Road, Pope Valley Cross Road, Chiles-Pope Valley Road, Howell Mountain Road, Deer Park Road, Silverado Trail, Oakville Cross Road and left on State Highway 29, then right on Oakville Grade to Dry Creek Road where it becomes Trinity Road, entering into Sonoma County. The race will enter Napa County at approximately 12:00 noon and leave the county at approximately 3:00 P.M. Total distance on Napa County roads is approximately 65 miles.

This route has been reviewed and approved by both CHP and Caltrans. The organizers will work with CHP, Caltrans, the Roads Division of the Napa County Department of Public Works, and the 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. 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 Berryessa-Knoxville Road, Pope Canyon Road, Pope Valley Cross Road, Chiles-Pope Valley Road, Howell Mountain Road, Deer Park Road, Silverado Trail, Oakville Cross Road, Oakville Grade and Dry Creek 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. 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 . Map of route
- B . Letter to Residents
- C . Resolution

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi