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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Robert Peterson - Director
Public Works
REPORT BY: Larry Bogner, Civil Engineer, 253-4351
SUBJECT: Resolution of intent to abandon a portion of Old Snell Valley Road, also known as Walker Road.

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Public Works and County Counsel request adoption of a resolution of intent to conduct a public hearing on September 19, 2006, regarding the abandonment of a portion of Old Snell Valley Road, also known as Walker Road, and relocated Snell Valley Road.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This resolution of intent will signify the County's intent to hold a public hearing on September 19, 2006. The topic of the hearing will be the abandonment of two portions of Old Snell Valley Road, also known as Walker Road.

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

The resolution of intent will signify the County's intent to conduct a public hearing regarding the abandonment of two portions of Old Snell Valley Road, also known as Walker Road, and to notify the public of the date set for

the hearing. The hearing will be conducted at the Board of Supervisor's regularly scheduled meeting of September 19, 2006 at 2:30 PM.

Old Snell Valley Road, sometimes called Walker Road in the past, and as shown on Exhibit A-1, was accepted into the County road system when the Board of Supervisors accepted petition No 102 in April, 1892. The road called "Relocated Snell Valley Road", also shown on Exhibit A-1, became a part of the County road system via a deed and Board of Supervisors acceptance which were recorded on September 8, 1959.

The portion of Snell Valley Road connecting Old Snell Valley Road and Relocated Snell Valley Road was previously abandoned by the County when the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 59-46 on September 8, 1959. Snell Valley Road in its current location as shown on Exhibit A-1 was accepted into the County road system in September, 1959. In 1967 Snell Valley road was extended to Lake Berryessa and the Berryessa Estates subdivision.

The two portions of road are not County-maintained and are completely within properties owned by Mr. and Mrs. Smeding. The proposed abandonment will release the Smedings from any encumbrances on their properties due to the roads and will lessen the County's potential maintenance obligations or liability from those obligations.

The abandonment of a right-of-way such as this can be processed by two methods: The first is by a summary process which has no formal notification and is typically a consent schedule item; the second is by the public hearing process with extensive public notifications. Because there are several additional property owners in the area who might have an interest in this abandonment, County Counsel has recommended the public hearing method.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A . Resolution of Intent

B . Exhibit "A-1" to Resloution of Intent

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Andrew Carey