



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO. **C-3**

For the meeting of: April 18, 2017

Date: April 6, 2017  
To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Supervisor Ryan Sundberg  
Subject: Letter of Support for the Yurok Tribe's Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) Grant Funding Request for the Bald Hills Road Paving Project.

RECOMMENDATION(S): That the Board of Supervisors authorize the Chair to sign the letter of support.

SOURCE OF FUNDING: N/A

DISCUSSION: The Yurok Tribe is submitting a grant application to the Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) for funding to be used for the Bald Hills Road paving project which seeks to pave Bald Hills Road area PM 16.1 to PM 19.4 (Lyons Ranch turn). Bald Hills Road is owned and maintained by Humboldt County and begins at US Highway 101 just north of the town of Orick and terminates where the Martin Ferry Bridge crosses the Klamath River on the Yurok Indian Reservation and intersects California State Route 169. It has been a mutual goal of the County and the Yurok Tribe to have this road improved and paved, which will encourage travelers to the region and provide for more scenic and recreational opportunities as well as providing access to the National Park.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: N/A

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT: Yurok Tribe

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: Board discretion.

ATTACHMENTS: Letter of Support.

Prepared by Kathy Hayes

Signature *Ryan Sundberg*

REVIEW: Auditor \_\_\_\_\_ County Counsel \_\_\_\_\_ Personnel \_\_\_\_\_ Risk Manager \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF ITEM:  
 Consent  
 Departmental  
 Public Hearing  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT**  
Upon motion of Supervisor Sundberg Seconded by Supervisor Fennell  
Ayes Sundberg, Fennell, Bass, Bohn  
Nays \_\_\_\_\_  
Abstain \_\_\_\_\_  
Absent Wilson

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. \_\_\_\_\_

and carried by those members present, the Board hereby approves the recommended action contained in this Board report.

Meeting of: \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: Apr. 18, 2017  
By: *Kathy Hayes*  
Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

# COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

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April 18, 2017

Programming Decisions Committee  
Central Federal Lands Highway Division  
12300 West Dakota Ave, Ste 380B  
Lakewood, CO 80228

Dear Committee Members:

The County of Humboldt fully supports the application by the Yurok Tribe for funding from the Federal Lands Access Program for improvements to Bald Hills Road. The County of Humboldt and the Yurok Tribe have worked together cooperatively for many years in improving this road.

Specifically, the Federal Lands Access Program funds will be fully utilized for the Bald Hills paving project, which seeks to pave Bald Hills Road area PM 16.1 to PM 19.4 (Lyons Ranch turn). The Bald Hills Road Rehabilitation and Paving project will improve and provide direct access to Redwood National & State Park (RNSP) service; provide access improvements to three of the largest tribes in California by providing direct access to and from the Yurok Reservation; and improving an access route to the Hoopa and Karuk Tribes. Bald Hills Road also serves as an access to Six Rivers National Forest and ties to State Highways 101, 169 and 96. Highway 96 is a scenic byway connecting several national forests.

The benefits of this upgrade will improve road conditions, improve safety, provide economic development, and improve access, mobility and connectivity for a safer means of travel for RNSP visitors with greater access to sites; and for Reservation residents with better access to employment.

Bald Hills Road is owned and maintained by Humboldt County. Bald Hills Road begins at US Highway 101 (PM 122.31) just north of the town of Orick and terminates where the Martin Ferry Bridge crosses the Klamath River on the Yurok Indian Reservation and intersects California State Route 169 (SR169). It has been a mutual goal of both the County of Humboldt and the Yurok Tribe to have this road improved and paved.

Sincerely,

Virginia Bass, Chair

Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

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