



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 5/12/2026

File #: 26-358

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Public Works

Agenda Section: Consent

Vote Requirement: Majority

SUBJECT:

Highway Safety Improvement Program Edgelines on Indian Reservation Road Systems

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the attached plans and specifications for the Highway Safety Improvement Program Edgelines on Indian Reservation Road Systems Project; and
2. Find that the Highway Safety Improvement Program Edgelines on Indian Reservation Road Systems Project is exempt from environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Sections 15269(a) and 15302 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations; and
3. Direct the Clerk of the Board to advertise the Highway Safety Improvement Program Edgelines on Indian Reservation Road Systems Project as required by Section 22037 of the California Public Contract Code, with bids to be opened on Tuesday, June 9, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

The recommended actions support the following areas of the Board of Supervisors' Strategic Plan:

Area of Focus: Safe & Healthy Communities

Strategic Plan Category: 1007 - Improve the transportation network to be multi-model, safe, sustainable and equitable

DISCUSSION:

On March 14, 2023, the Humboldt County Department of Public Works ("Public Works") was awarded the highway safety improvement program grant for placing edgelines on Indian Reservation roads systems. The project includes roads of the Hoopa Valley Tribe, Karuk Tribe and Yurok Tribe within Humboldt County. Public Works coordinated with each tribe to develop a priority list of roads to implement the edgelines safety countermeasure.

On Oct. 23, 2023, and Jan. 13, 2026, Public Works received notification from the Department of Transportation regarding approval of engineering design and construction funding. Subsequently, the attached plans and specifications were developed by the county. The proposed work, as detailed in the attached plans and specifications, includes traffic control system, street sweeping, and application of 6" thermoplastic traffic striping for the edgelines.

Accordingly, Public Works recommends that the Board of Supervisors approve the attached plans and specifications for the Highway Safety Improvement Program Edgelines on Indian Reservation Road Systems Project; find the Highway Safety Improvement Program Edgelines on Indian Reservation Road Systems Project is exempt from environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Sections 15269(a) and 15302 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations; and direct the Clerk of the Board to advertise the Highway Safety Improvement Program Edgelines on Indian Reservation Road Systems Project as required by Section 22037 of the California Public Contract Code, with bids to be opened on Tuesday, June 9, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Humboldt County Road Fund - Measure O (1200-321); California Department of Transportation's Highway Safety Improvement Program

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Expenditures (1200-321)	FY26-27 Projected*
Budgeted Expenses	\$748,944.00
Total Expenditures	\$748,944.00
Funding Sources (1200-321)	FY25-26 Projected*
Road Fund - Measure O (6.89%)	\$51,627.83
Hoopa Valley Tribe (2.22%)	\$16,648.99
Karuk Tribe (0.86%)	\$6,407.50
Yurok Tribe (0.03%)	\$210.08
State/Federal Funds (90%)	\$674,049.60
Total Funding Sources	\$748,944.00

**Projected amounts are estimates and are subject to change.*

There is no financial commitment until the Highway Safety Improvement Program Edgelines on Indian Reservation Road Systems Project is awarded. This project is being funded by the California Department of Transportation's Highway Safety Improvement Program (90%), and the grant match being shared by Humboldt County Road Fund - Measure O (6.89%), Hoopa Valley Tribe (2.22%), Karuk Tribe (0.86%) and the Yurok Tribe (0.03%). The engineer's estimate for the project is \$748,944.

Expenditure appropriations related to completion of the Highway Safety Improvement Program Edgelines on Indian Reservation Road Systems Project are included in the proposed fiscal year 2026-27 budget for Roads Engineering, 1200-321.

STAFFING IMPACT:

The recommended actions will not impact current staffing levels.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

California Department of Transportation, Hoopa Valley Tribe, Karuk Tribe, Yurok Tribe

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board of Supervisors may choose not to approve the attached plans and specifications for the Highway Safety Improvement Program Edgelines on Indian Reservation Road Systems Project. However, this alternative is not recommended as the project will improve the safety of several roadways using funds that would not otherwise be available to the County of Humboldt, Hoopa Valley Tribe, Karuk Tribe and Yurok Tribe.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Plans for HSIP Edgelines on Indian Reservation Road Systems
2. Special Provisions for HSIP Edgelines on Indian Reservation Road Systems
3. Notice to Bidders for HSIP Edgelines on Indian Reservation Road Systems

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Meeting of: None

File No.: None