

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SAN JOAQUIN
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

R E S O L U T I O N

R-09- 322

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CALIFORNIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES'
RECOMMENDATIONS RELATED TO THE STATE'S 2009-10 BUDGET REVISION
TO TAKE THE LOCAL SHARE OF THE
HIGHWAY USERS TAX ACCOUNT GAS TAX REVENUE

WHEREAS, the State Department of Finance is proposing to permanently redirect virtually the entire local share of the Highway Users Tax Account Gas Tax to pay for State highway bond debt service, the total of which is equal to nearly \$986 million a year Statewide; and,

WHEREAS, the redirection of funds would represent a loss of 50 percent of the Department of Public Works' operating budget, or \$10.7 million in 2009-10; and \$8.0 million in 2010-11; and,

WHEREAS, if the proposal were implemented, the Department of Public Works' Maintenance, Operations, Auxiliary, and Engineering Programs would be severely impacted; and,

WHEREAS, on June 17, 2009, the California State Association of Counties' Board of Directors voted on recommendations related to the takeaway of the Highway Users Tax Account Gas Tax;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that San Joaquin County supports the recommendations made by the California State Association of Counties, as shown below:

1. Oppose the HUTA takeaway and suspension.
2. Support a two-year 5-cent increase in HUTA to cover the debt service on transportation bonds and avoid/replace the HUTA takeaway.
3. Should such a proposal exceed the transportation debt service needs, support a 12 to 15-cent increase in HUTA (or some other fee or tax increase) to fund transportation taxes in a manner that ensures equal distribution between the State and local governments.

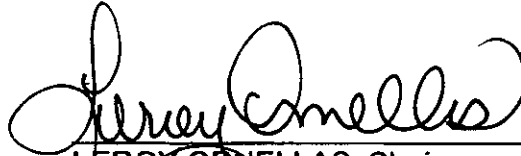
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 6/24/09 by the following
vote of the Board of Supervisors, to wit:

AYES: Villapudua, Bestolarides, Vogel, Ruhstaller, Ornellas

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ATTEST: LOIS M. SAHYOUN
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
of the County of San Joaquin,
State of California



LERoy ORNELLAS, Chairman
Board of Supervisors
County of San Joaquin,
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