

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-13

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE FINDINGS OF THE CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE
LOCAL STREETS AND ROADS NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

WHEREAS, cities and counties own and operate over 81% of the roads in California, where every trip begins and ends, and the local system is critical for safety and mobility of the traveling public, farm to market needs, multimodal needs, and commerce; and

WHEREAS, while federal and state governments regularly assess their transportation system needs, no such data existed for the local component of the state's transportation network; and

WHEREAS, the California Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment provides critical analysis and information on the local transportation network's condition and funding needs; and

WHEREAS, the study surveyed all of California's 58 counties and 478 cities in 2007-08, resulting in data from more than 93% of local street and road miles; and

WHEREAS, the results show that California's local streets and roads are on a path of significant decline. On a scale of zero (failed) to 100 (excellent), the statewide average pavement condition index (PCI) is 68, placing it in the "at risk category"; and

WHEREAS, the results also show that the roads within the County maintained system have an average PCI of 32 with over 50% in a "failed" condition; and

WHEREAS, if current funding remains the same, the statewide condition is projected to deteriorate to a PCI of 58 in 10 years, and further to 48 ("poor" category) by 2033; and

WHEREAS, even more critical, the unfunded backlog is \$70 billion over the next 10 years and will more than double in the next 20 years; and

WHEREAS, ongoing road maintenance is a significant public safety concern. Fatality rates on county roads already exceed those of the State's freeway system. A county's failure to maintain its paved road network (potholes filling, sealing, overlays, etc.), signs, and street lights has a direct correlation to traffic accidents, injuries and deaths; and

WHEREAS, to spend the taxpayer's money cost-effectively, preserving and maintaining the local system in good condition is less costly than to let it deteriorate. To bring the pavement condition and essential components, such as storm drains and

gutters, of local streets and roads to a level of best management practices there needs to be an additional investment of nearly \$70 billion dollars over the next 10 years; and

WHEREAS, in order to bring the local system back into a cost-effective condition, thereby preserving the public's \$271 billion pavement investment and stopping further costly deterioration, at least \$7 billion annually in new money going directly to cities and counties is needed to stop the further decline and deterioration of our streets and roads; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors, County of Lake, State of California, that it supports the findings of the California Statewide Local Streets and Roads Needs Assessment; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the County Administrative Officer shall send this resolution with an accompanying letter from the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to the Governor and each legislator, expressing vehement opposition to future cuts to vital transportation funding such as Proposition 42 and the Highway User Tax Account (HUTA) and strong support for adequate and stable funding sources for local street and road maintenance and rehabilitation; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the COUNTY strongly urges the state to identify sufficient and stable funding sources for local street and road maintenance and rehabilitation.

This Resolution was passed and adopted this 12th day of January, 2010, by the following vote:

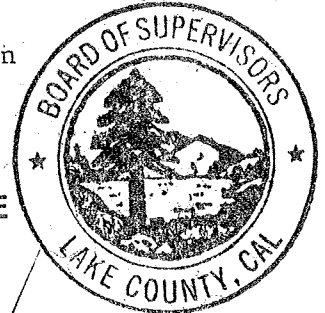
AYES: Supervisors Comstock, Smith, Rushing, Brown and Farrington

NOES: None

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: None

ATTEST: Kelly F. Cox
Clerk of the Board

COUNTY OF LAKE

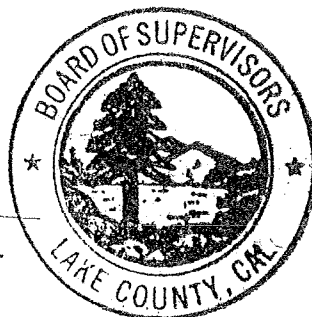


By: [Signature]
Deputy

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Chair, Board of Supervisors

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
ANITA L. GRANT
County Counsel

By: [Signature]



The within instrument is a correct copy of the Document on file in this office.

ATTEST: 01-12-2010

KELLY F. COX
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the State of California in and for the County of Lake.

By: [Signature]