



County of Sonoma  
State of California

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Date: July 13, 2021

Item Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Resolution Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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4/5 Vote Required

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**Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California, Initiating Proceedings To Form An Assessment District To Finance A Portion Of The Cost Of A Permanent Bridge To Replace The Seasonal Bridge At The Washington School Road Crossing Of The Russian River Near The Community Of Asti, And Directing The Director Of The Department Of Transportation and Public Works To Prepare An Engineer's Report**

**Whereas**, each year the Department of Transportation and Public Works (the "Department") installs and removes a seasonal bridge at the Washington School Road crossing of the Russian River (the "Asti Crossing"); and

**Whereas**, the Asti Crossing, which consists of bridge decks that are placed on permanent concrete piers, is typically installed around Memorial Day and removed in the fall before the first major rain event; and

**Whereas**, the cost of the annual installation and removal of the Asti Crossing increased significantly after the flood event of 2019 realigned the river; and

**Whereas**, a permanent bridge to replace the Asti Crossing would provide special benefit to property owners in the area by, among other reasons, providing reliable, year-round emergency egress and a reliable, year-round access point to cross the river for daily use; and

**Whereas**, pursuant to the Municipal Improvement Act of 1913 (commencing with Section 10000 of the California Streets and Highways Code) (the "1913 Act"), there is a statutory process through which the Board can form an assessment district for financing public improvements, including bridges; and

**Whereas**, the Board desires to initiate proceedings under the 1913 Act to form an assessment district to finance a portion of the cost of a permanent bridge at Washington School Road to replace the Asti Crossing.

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved** that the Director of the Department of Transportation and Public Works (the "Director") shall prepare, or direct the preparation of, an Engineer's Report in compliance with California Streets and Highways Code Section 10204 ("Engineer's Report") for presentation to the Board.

**Supervisors:**

Gorin:

Rabbitt:

Coursey:

Gore:

Hopkins:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

**So Ordered.**