

2006-004

## A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MAJOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS IN DEL NORTE COUNTY

WHEREAS, Del Norte County is one of California's most remote yet important northern gateway counties, and whose economic viability depends on improved access; and

WHEREAS, Del Norte County's infrastructure is inadequate to meet the current and future population needs within the life of the proposed bond; and

WHEREAS, no significant highway improvements have occurred on Highway's 101 and 199 in more than thirty years; and

WHEREAS, maintaining our harbor is necessary for boating safety, economic prosperity, and the future growth of Del Norte County; and

WHEREAS, the Del Norte County Airport requires major renovation to meet current and future safety standards for regional aircraft; and

WHEREAS, Del Norte County High School, the area's only comprehensive high school, is almost 50 years old;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the following projects are a number one priority for funding in Del Norte County:

- Replacement of U.S. Hwy 101 at Last Chance Grade to maintain a physical connection to the rest of the State of California.
- Safety and mobility upgrades on State Hwy 197 and U.S. Hwy 199 to allow for STAA designation. Improvements along the "narrows" to maintain a vital trade and commerce link to Interstate 5.
- Dredging of the Crescent City Harbor every two years for the next ten years.
- Airport runway expansion to accommodate regional aircraft and the creation of an adequate terminal.
- Replacing Del Norte County High School with a new modern structure.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING GOVERNING BOARDS:

Sarah Sampels, Chair Del Norte County

Board of Supervisors

Tom Cochran, President Del Norte County Unified

School District

Dennis Burns, Mayor City of Crescent City

Mario Deiro, Chair Tri-Agency

Mario Deiro, President Crescent City Harbor District

Chris Howard, President Crescent City/Del Norte

Chamber of Commerce

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