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Mr. Jim Marsh, Chairman
Mid Coast Community Council
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Dear Mr. Marsh:

Re: Traffic Improvements on Highway 1 and 92 - Devils Slide Closure

I talked to Bill Uesugi of Caltrans on April 4th, to follow up on possible traffic mitigations to improve traffic flow along the above mentioned highways while Highway 1 at Devils Slide is closed.

Caltrans will or has done the following:

- Highway 92 at Highway 35 (East side)

The green time for the westbound Highway 92 leg of the intersection has been increased to 75 seconds with the southbound Highway 35 green remaining at 45 seconds. They are not proposing to install a "No Right Turn on Red" from southbound Highway 35 as they believe that this would not improve the flow. They have concluded from field observations that a major factor effecting the intersection capacity is the backup of traffic from the crest of the hill down to and through the intersection.

- Highway 1 at Highway 92

As mentioned in my last letter, Caltrans will be reconfiguring the striping on Highway 92 between Highway 1 and Main Street to have the traffic from Highway 1 northbound merge with traffic from Highway 1 southbound. This will give the advantage to Highway 1 southbound traffic. They are not proposing to install an arterial stop sign on the free right from northbound Highway 1 as Chief Wick is concerned that this will divert the traffic onto Main Street and further compound traffic flow on both Main Street as well as Highway 92.

Chief Wick has also requested that Caltrans place traffic delineators on Main Street North to prevent motorists from turning left into the corner gas station and then cutting through the gas station and turning left onto Highway 92 east of the Main Street/92 intersection.

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- Highway 1 at Coronado

Caltrans will extend the 8" wide stripe in the center of the road an additional 80 feet and place traffic delineators on the stripe at 12 foot intervals to meter the traffic merging with southbound Highway 1 traffic. The problem at this location has been the merging of multiple cars at one time which then backs up the Highway 1 traffic. The delineators should effectively reduce the merge to one vehicle at a time and improve traffic flow through this area.

Both Bill and I are hopeful that these measures will improve the flow of traffic while Caltrans works to reopen Highway 1. However, we both agree that the road is at saturation during certain times of the day and that motorists will continue to experience some form of delay.

We will evaluate the measures that are installed to determine their effectiveness.

Very truly yours,



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Director of Public Works

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