

# ***DON HORSLEY***

Board of Supervisors  
County of San Mateo

July 16, 2012

Mr. Bijan Sartipi  
Director, District 4  
Caltrans  
111 Grand Avenue  
Oakland, CA 94617

Re: Lighting at the intersection of Highway 1 and Virginia Avenue in San Mateo County

Dear Director Sartipi:

As you recall, the County identified a problem with pedestrian safety at Highway 1 and Virginia Avenue. We asked that Caltrans install safety lighting in the area. Caltrans' traffic study indicated that neither a signal nor a crosswalk was warranted; nor did Caltrans agree to the request of installing lighting at the site.

Based on your response, the County decided to re-assess whether adding lighting within the County's adjacent road right-of-ways would have any positive benefit on Highway 1. Assembly Member Hill supported the County's request that Caltrans clarify the State right-of-way in that area as the County's documentation did not provide sufficient information for this re-assessment. Caltrans did clarify the location of the State right-of-way. Thank you for completing that work.

The County has now confirmed that, given the extent of the State right-of-way, any installation of streetlights in the County's road right-of-ways would be ineffective in lighting Highway 1.

We encourage Caltrans to re-consider installing lighting to enhance public safety on this section of the Coast.

Sincerely,



Don Horsley  
Supervisor District 3

cc: Assembly Member Jerry Hill  
Jim Porter, Department of Public Works  
Bill Kehoe, Midcoast Community Council



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