Midcoast Community Council

An elected Municipal Advisory Council to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors representing Montara, Moss Beach, El Granada, Princeton, and Miramar P.O. Box 248, Moss Beach, CA 94038-0248

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To: San Mateo County Board of Supervisors

CC: Steve Monowitz, Deputy Director, Planning / Building Dept.

Subject: Approval of Highway 1 Safety and Mobility Study Phase 2 and Highway 1 Action Plan

The Midcoast Community has worked for the past three plus years on two studies to develop conceptual designs for improvement for Highway 1 and related trails and roads in the Midcoast. This work has been followed by the development and presentation of an Action Plan for future activity that will build on the concept plans of these studies.

The MCC appreciates the major effort put forward by the county and the consulting team and acknowledges the time spent by uncounted community members in planning, attending, reviewing and commenting on these materials. The MCC also appreciates that an even longer period of project planning and delivery will follow these studies and feel that the Action Plan is an effective document to initiate this effort.

The MCC feels that strong and detailed community participation is an important component in the project activities already initiated and those activities to follow. In the Board's approval of the Phase 1 study (June 8, 2010) a key section stated:

Following approval of this report by the Board of Supervisors, a committee of local stake-holders and a committee of technical experts will be established to advise the County in developing an action plan to implement the design ideas developed within the Conceptual Plan.

Our understanding from discussion with the County is that the responsibility for establishing a committee of local stakeholders has been transferred to the MCC. The MCC requests that the following sentence be inserted into the county report following the second sentence of the second paragraph of the Background Section:

Going forward the MCC will have a Highway 1 Committee and the County will work with this committee as the Community Stakeholder Committee as presented and adopted by the Board of Supervisors in their consideration of the Phase 1 Highway 1 Safety and Mobility Study on June 8, 2010.

With County acknowledgement of this role and the commitment of the County to work with this community based MCC committee on the Highway and Trail projects, the MCC recommends the Board's approval of the Highway 1 Phase Study and Highway 1 Action Plan.

Thank you for this consideration.

Sincerely,

s/Bill Kehoe, Chair Midcoast Community Council