

Supervisor Arnold  
5<sup>th</sup> District Supervisor  
San Luis Obispo County  
Room D-430  
County Government Center  
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

October 7, 2013

RE: Surface Road System Proposal from Santa Margarita to San Luis Obispo

Dear Supervisor Arnold:

Santa Margarita Area Advisory Council (SMAAC) respectfully proposes the study, design, and implementation of a surface road system between Santa Margarita and San Luis Obispo as well as an improved intersection at Highway 58 and Highway 101.

During the last SMAAC meeting held on October 2, 2013 the council voted unanimously to provide a written proposal to the 5<sup>th</sup> District Supervisor, on behalf of SMAAC. We feel a surface road system will provide safe access to residential, pedestrian, and emergency services. It is in the best interest of citizens of San Luis Obispo County to address these concerns and we request you address this issue with the appropriate government agencies.

Below is the language of the proposal formally approved during the SMAAC meeting.

*Brief Background:*

*There has been a large increase in traffic since the construction of the additional highway lanes on Highway 101, Cuesta Grade. This has made the existing encroachments unsafe, causing residents to be concerned about their ability to have continued residential access along this high-speed traffic corridor. Additionally, the Highway 58 and Highway 101 intersection is dangerous to motorists and pedestrians.*

*Proposals:*

- 1. We, The Santa Margarita Area Advisory Council, propose establishing a surface road system between Highway 58 and San Luis Obispo to accommodate residential, pedestrian, and emergency services traffic that is separate from the existing Highway 101.*
- 2. We, The Santa Margarita Area Advisory Council, contiguously propose an improved Highway 58 and Highway 101 intersection that will support the proposed surface road system between Highway 58 and San Luis Obispo.*

We thank you for directing your attention to this matter.

Thank you,



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