

TEMPLETON AREA ADVISORY GROUP
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RECOMMENDATION REPORT TO THE COUNTY

VIA Email

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SLO County Board of Supervisors
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From Scott Shirley. TAAG Board Chair

December 2, 2022

CC: TAAG Board members

SUBJECT: At the November 17, 2022 TAAG meeting, **TAAG voted 4-0 in support of the following comment, regarding the Annual Road Fee Report to be considered at the December 6, 2022 Board of Supervisor's meeting:**

On Page 2 of the Annual Road Fee Report, the following Resolution is offered:

"WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors finds as follows:

A. The purpose of this Road Improvement Fee is to finance road facilities and improvements in order to reduce the impacts of traffic generated and caused by new development within the Templeton Area.

B. The road improvement fees collected pursuant to this Resolution shall be used to finance only the capital improvements described in the text and/or identified in Exhibit "A," attached hereto and incorporated herein."

"G. The Board of Supervisors further finds that for the Templeton Area: (1) an account has been established for capital road improvements, that funds have been appropriated, and a proposed construction schedule or plan has been adopted as set forth in Exhibit "A" hereto; and that (2) the County has already expended funds for capital road improvements within said Areas. As used in this section, "appropriated" means authorization by the Board of Supervisors to make expenditures and incur obligations for a road facility or improvement project shown in the Capital Improvement Program (Exhibit "A")."

On Page 8 of the Annual Road Fee report, Exhibit "A" states, "**Main Street Interchange:** The PSR-PDS [Project Study Report – Project Development Support] has been completed. The County is drafting a Request for Proposal to hire a consultant for the Project Approval and Environmental Documentation anticipated to begin in 2025."

Table 22 of the 2017 Templeton Circulation Study (Row 2 on Page 12 of the report) has the following improvements: "Reconfigure interchange (widening, signals and/or roundabouts) includes LTL on Main." Cost estimate is \$12,000,000.

With the Templeton Livestock Market now a housing development, and an 18,000 square foot structure with associated parking approved for construction, much of the open ground near the Main Street/HWY 101 interchange is now, or will be, impervious to absorbing precipitation during rainstorms. Insufficient retention basins have led to rainwater runoff causing flooding as recently as 2010 (prior to aforementioned developments), as noted in TAAG's objection to the construction of the Co-located Emergency Dispatch Center. Widening the streets and adding roundabouts will increase runoff, so TAAG asks that funding also be provided to address potential flooding at the Toad Creek culverts under Main street, as recommended in SLO County's 2014 Drainage Study <https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/.../Templeton-Drainage-Study...>, which advises attention to the inadequate capacity of existing culverts and stormwater retention basin at Toad Creek, specifically in Chapter 5 - Project 8 Addendum.

The Toad Creek Watershed report prepared for TAAG in 2013 <https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Public-Works/Forms-Documents/WaterResources/Drainage-Studies/Toad-Creek-Watershed-Report.pdf> concludes by asking that "*Future consideration should be given to rethink the interaction of Projects 8A and 8B and road improvement projects that have been incorporated into the Templeton Circulation Study. These road improvements called Projects 12-03 and 12-04 in the Templeton Circulation Study pertain to Toad Creek culverts under Main Street.*"

TAAG wishes to emphasize the concerns expressed in the Templeton Drainage Study, which are now compounded by the recent approval of the Co-located Emergency Dispatch Center, and respectfully asks the Board of Supervisors to:

- a. Adopt the Templeton Drainage Study, and**
- b. Provide funding to prevent potential flooding when planning structural changes at the Main Street/HWY 101 interchange.**

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Shirley

TAAG Board Chair