

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 286071

ADOPTED ON JUL 17 1995

WHEREAS, the Dairy Mart Road Bridge over the Tia Juana River in the City of San Diego has in recent years been highly susceptible to closure as a result of river flooding; and

WHEREAS, the frequent flooding of Dairy Mart Road Bridge severely impacts access to an area with a number of homes, farms, and ranches in the Tia Juana River Valley; and

WHEREAS, due to a continuing state of emergency in the Tia Juana River Valley relative to raw sewage flows in the Tia Juana River originating in the Republic of Mexico, the United States Section of the International Boundary & Water Commission has undertaken to construct an international wastewater treatment plant in the valley; and

WHEREAS, the City of San Diego has undertaken to construct a South Bay Water Reclamation Plant in the Tia Juana River Valley adjacent to the international plant; and

WHEREAS, the Dairy Mart Road Bridge will provide the sole viable access to the planned wastewater facilities, although it first must be replaced to provide adequate reliability for traffic to and from the plants, as well as to relieve the frequent closures which are now restricting access to the homes, farms, and ranches in the valley; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration, as administrator of the federal Highways and Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation (HBRR) Program, and the HBRR Steering Committee, overseen by the California Department of Transportation, have established a

"Special Bridge Program" as an element of 1994-1995 HBRR Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Special Bridge Program qualifies a local agency having no more than one over-extended HBRR project to select a "Special" non-eligible bridge from its inventory for replacement or rehabilitation; and

WHEREAS, the Dairy Mart Road Bridge is the single and most important bridge in San Diego meeting the criteria of the Special Bridge Program; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that the Council hereby finds the DAIRY MART ROAD BRIDGE to be highest priority project of any of the most deficient special bridge replacement candidates in the jurisdiction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council finds that the reconstruction of the DAIRY MART ROAD BRIDGE is absolutely necessary to the plans of both the City and the federal government to construct urgently needed wastewater treatment facilities that are crucial to the protection of the environment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Council finds that the reconstruction of the DAIRY MART ROAD BRIDGE is further necessary to ensure reliable and adequate access to homes, farms, and ranches in the Tia Juana River Valley.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Manager is hereby directed to make application for a HBRR Special Bridge grant for the replacement of the DAIRY MART ROAD BRIDGE.

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