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DATE: May 19, 2006

TO: Darlene J. Bloom, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Director, Resources & Development Management Department

SUBJECT: Final Report of Status of Emergency Action for the Overhill Drive
Emergency Reconstruction Project (approved on September 27, 2005,
Agenda Item 53)

Background: In February of 2005, the portion of Overhill Drive from 300 feet southerly to 460 feet easterly of the Deerhaven intersection in the unincorporated area of Cowan Heights sustained roadway damage due to slope failure on the two adjacent privately-owned uphill properties (DeGroot and Weaver properties). Measures were taken at that time to reduce the likelihood of further failure and the roadway was closed to public use. While the slope appeared to be stable, reconstruction had to be undertaken in order to address the possibility of further movement and to reopen the roadway. This need was the basis for the Board's action on September 27, 2005 declaring an emergency condition and authorizing RDMD to immediately initiate appropriate actions to remedy the problem.

The roadway was protected by stabilizing the slope utilizing two methods. The County installed a series of concrete caissons at its base along the edge of the roadway within County right-of-way for a portion of the slide (adjacent to the DeGroot property). The caissons extend approximately 45 feet below the surface, penetrating through the slope failure plane and into competent material. This allowed for the reconstruction and the reopening of the damaged roadway. The remaining slide was repaired and paid for by the affected property owner (Weaver), through an engineered system of concrete caissons and re-compacted fill on the private property which is designed to stabilize the entire property.

A \$610,950 contract for the emergency work was awarded by the Board on October 18, 2005 to the firm of G.B. Cooke, Inc. of Azusa, California. A Notice to Proceed was issued on November 10, 2005.

Construction Contract Status: Construction of the project is complete and minor punch list and cleanup work at the jobsite will be finished early in the week of May 22, 2006. Filing of the Notice of Completion and compilation and verification of final quantities will follow as a part of normal project closeout. At this time it is appropriate to end the declared emergency.

COMPLIANCE WITH CEQA: The subject project is Categorical Exempt (Class 1) from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines.

**THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDED ACTIONS ARE REQUESTED FOR BOARD
CONSIDERATION ON MAY 23, 2006:**

- (1) Terminate, by 4/5th vote, the emergency action approved on September 27, 2005 for the Overhill Drive Emergency Reconstruction project, located from 300 feet southerly to 460 feet easterly of the Deerhaven intersection, pursuant to Section 22050(c)(1) of the Public Contract Code of the State of California.
- (2) Accept the completed Overhill Drive Emergency Reconstruction from 300 feet southerly to 460 feet easterly of the Deerhaven intersection at an estimated final cost of \$699,000.

If you have any questions or would like additional information concerning this project, please contact either H. I. Nakasone at 834-2308 or James A. Miller at 567-7801.


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