THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Adopted this Traffic Resolution on December 17, 2024 by the following vote:

AYES: John Gioia, Candace Andersen, Diane Burgis, Ken Carlson, Federal D. Glover

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

TRAFFIC RESOLUTION NO. 2024/4541

Supervisorial District V

SUBJECT:

ADOPT Traffic Resolution No. 2024/4541 for an 18-month extension of the temporary closure of Carquinez Scenic Drive (Road No. 2191B) between the city limits of Martinez and extending westerly to McEwen Road (Road No. 2784), to prevent illegal and criminal activity, as recommended by the Public Works Director, Martinez area. (District V)

WHEREAS, the eastern portion of Carquinez Scenic Drive, which begins at the city limits of Martinez and extends westerly to McEwen Road, has experienced serious and continual illegal dumping and serious and continual criminal activity between sunset and sunrise the following day, leading to various closures of the roadway;

WHEREAS, the current closure approved by the Board of Supervisors on June 27, 2023, extends through December 27, 2024, when it will expire if not extended;

WHEREAS, the East Bay Regional Park District has requested extending the closure of the western portion of Carquinez Scenic Drive to prevent the occurrence or recurrence of serious and continual illegal dumping and serious and continual criminal activity;

WHEREAS, because allowing vehicle traffic on the roadway will result in the occurrence or recurrence of that illegal dumping and criminal activity, the County Office of the Sheriff and California Highway Patrol, and Public Works Department staff, all recommend the continued closure of Carquinez Scenic Drive for an additional 18 months;

WHEREAS, Public Works Department staff determined that: Carquinez Scenic Drive has not been designated as a through highway or arterial street; the overnight closure of Carquinez Scenic Drive will not impact traffic flow, safety on the adjacent streets or in the surrounding neighborhoods, the operation of emergency vehicles, the performance of municipal or public utility services to, or the delivery of freight by commercial vehicles in the area of Carquinez Scenic Drive; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing has been held on this proposed closure of Carquinez Scenic Drive, notice of which was mailed to the residents and owners, as shown on the last equalized assessment roll, of property adjacent to that portion of roadway, in accordance with Vehicle Code section 21101.4(c).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, pursuant to Vehicle Code section 21101.4, subdivision (b), by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Contra Costa, as follows:

- 1. The Board of Supervisors FINDS as follows:
 - A. Based on the recommendation of the County Office of the Sheriff and California Highway Patrol, continuation of the temporary closure of Carquinez Scenic Drive (Road No. 2191B), between the city limits of Martinez and extending westerly to McEwen Road (Road No. 2784), for an additional 18 months between sunset and sunrise, will prevent the occurrence or recurrence of the serious and continual illegal dumping and serious and continual criminal activity that existed prior to the current closure.
 - B. The above-described section of Carquinez Scenic Drive is not designated as a through highway or arterial street;
 - C. Vehicle traffic contributes to the above-described overnight illegal dumping and criminal activity on the above-described section of Carquinez Scenic Drive;
 - D. The immediately preceding closure (i.e., current closure that commenced June 27, 2022) of the above-described section of Carquinez Scenic Drive has not substantially adversely affected traffic flow, safety on the adjacent streets or in the surrounding neighborhoods, the operation of emergency vehicles, the performance of municipal or public utility services to, or the delivery of freight by commercial vehicles in the area of that section of roadway.
- 2. The Board of Supervisors ADOPTS this Traffic Resolution No. 2024/4541 to extend the temporary overnight closure of Carquinez Scenic Drive, between the city limits of Martinez and McEwen Road, between the hours of sunset and sunrise, beginning December 27, 2024, and continuing for 18 months thereafter.

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct Copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: December 17 2024

Monica Nino, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and County

Administrator

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cc: California Highway Patrol Sheriff Department

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