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Subject: Letter of Support for a Permanent Crossing of the Russian River at Washington School Road (Asti Crossing)

Dear Board of Supervisors:

The Cloverdale Chamber of Commerce is pleased to submit this letter in support of the effort to permanently replace the temporary bridge at Asti Crossing with a permanent bridge. For almost 100 years, the chamber has been in favor and has actively supported a project such as this. Please see the letter dated April 5, 1924 in which the chamber endorsed the building of a permanent crossing.

The overriding consideration is and has been the health and safety of citizens on the east side of the Russian River. A permanent crossing at Asti means shorter transport times for fire, medical and sheriff vehicles, which we believe will result in better outcomes for medical emergencies, a faster response for wildland or building fires and residents being able to rely on swifter responses in the event of burglaries and other quality of life crimes in this rural area.

For these reasons, our Executive Board consisting of Ron Pavelka, Jenness Brewer, Kelley Voss, Ramiro Rodriguez, Amy Schaefer, Tedi Spain, Erin Mewes, Monique Hernandez-Evans and myself, Neena Hanchett, fully support this project and hope it comes to fruition.

Sincerely,

Neena Hanchett

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Cloverdale Chamber of Commerce

cc: Senator Mike McGuire

cc: Assembly Member James Wood

