

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING DISSOLUTION OF JOINT HIGHWAY DISTRICTS # 20 and #23

WHEREAS, one of the functions of Local Agency Formation Commission is to review the need and necessity for continuation of special districts, and

WHEREAS, the Mendocino County Local Agency Formation Commission has recently requested a report from its' Executive Officer concerning Joint Highway Districts #20 and #23, which report is attached to this Resolution, and

WHEREAS, Joint Highway District #20 was organized in 1931 by Mendocino and Tehama Counties and no longer appears needed, and

WHEREAS, Joint Highway District #23 was organized in 1932 by the County of Mendocino and Sonoma County and no longer appears needed, and

WHEREAS, this Commission feels that in the best interests of all counties concerned these districts should be dissolved and cleared from the books,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Local Agency Formation Commission of Mendocino County hereby recommends to the Boards of Supervisors of Mendocino County, Sonoma County and Tehama County, that the matter of dissolution of the Joint Highway Districts, above mentioned, be studied and dissolution proceedings commenced as soon as possible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Officer of this Commission send copies of this Resolution to the Boards of Supervisors of Mendocino, Sonoma and Tehama Counties.

The Foregoing Resolution was introduced by Commissioner Rockefeller, seconded by Commissioner Vaughn, and carried this 4 day of MArch, 1968, by the following vote on roll call:

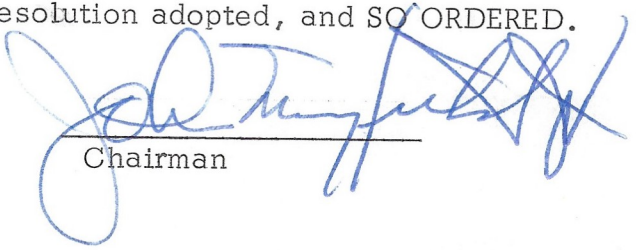
AYES: Commissioners Pennock, Mayfield, Vaughn & Rockefeller

NOES: None

ABSENT: Avila & Norgard

WHEREUPON, the Chairman declared the Resolution adopted, and SO ORDERED.

Robert P. Beltrami
Executive Officer


Chairman

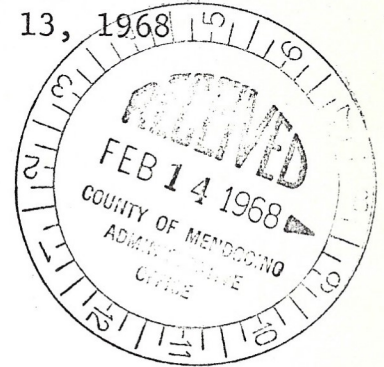
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS

DISTRICT 1, P. O. BOX 3700, EUREKA, CALIF. 95501



February 13, 1968



Mr. Albert Beltrami
County Administrator
County of Mendocino
Courthouse
Ukiah, California 95482

Dear Mr. Beltrami:

Your letter of December 26, 1967, requested information concerning Joint Highway Districts Nos. 20 and 23. The attached copy of a memorandum from Mr. C. T. Ledden to District Engineer Larsen summarizes the information available in our file on these Districts.

As pointed out in the next to last paragraph of Mr. Ledden's letter, the dissolution of the Districts is a matter to be settled between the respective Boards of Supervisors.

I hope this will provide sufficient information to base your decisions upon. However, if you need any further assistance, don't hesitate to ask.

Very truly yours,

H. G. LARSEN
District Engineer

By


C. P. Sweet, Jr.
Assistant District Engineer

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Memorandum

To : Mr. H. G. Larsen - 01

Date: February 2, 1968

Attention Mr. E. B. Thomas
District Advance Planning EngineerFile : Joint Highway
Districts No. 20 & 23From : Department of Public Works--Division of Highways
Headquarters - City and County Projects

Subject: Your Memorandum of January 8, 1968 by EBT

As requested by Mendocino County Administrator Albert P. Beltrami in his letter to you dated December 26, 1967, we have searched the Department's records center for information concerning Joint Highway Districts 20 and 23. Although the files we found were not complete we did find the following concerning the two Districts which we believe to be appropriate to the purpose of his inquiry.

JOINT HIGHWAY DISTRICT NO. 20

This District was organized December 4, 1931, by Mendocino and Tehama Counties. The limits are defined as between Longvale and Vina via Mendocino Pass.

Our files indicate that the Joint Highway District concentrated its efforts in Mendocino County. Most of the work on the Tehama County portion was by the U. S. Forest Service. It appears that out of approximately \$1,000,000 expended by or on behalf of the Joint Highway District prior to 1948 only \$22,833.00 of State Highway Funds were contributed by the Highway Commission under the authority of Section 138 of the Streets and Highways Code. During the past twenty years considerable Federal-aid Secondary Highway Program monies, Federal Emergency Relief Funds and State Flood Relief Funds have been spent on the route. None of the latter was spent by the Joint Highway District and we have no record of any Joint Highway District activity during this period.

In 1965 the portion of the Joint Highway District between Longvale and Mendocino Pass was added to the State Highway System by the Legislature as Route 261. The State Highway route leaves the Joint Highway District alignment at the Pass and traverses Glenn County to Route 5 near Willows. A portion of the Glenn County route has been

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improved under the FAS Program and the Bureau of Public Roads is expending considerable Forest Highway Funds on the remainder. As of this date, none of the Legislative State Highway Route has been adopted by the Highway Commission as a traversable State Highway.

JOINT HIGHWAY DISTRICT NO. 23

This District was organized August 10, 1932, by the Counties of Mendocino and Sonoma, and included the road between Willits and the coast highway near Fort Bragg and most of the coast highway between Sonoma County and Leggett Valley.

The portion of this Joint Highway District between Willits and the coast highway is now State Highway 20. The route along the coast is now State Highway 1. Both are being maintained by the Division.

We have no information as to the receipts and expenditures of Joint Highway District No. 23 and insofar as we can determine, the Highway Commission made no contributions to it.

We have no record indicating that either one of the above Joint Highway Districts have been dissolved. The laws governing Joint Highway Districts are contained in Sections 25,000 through 25,521 of the Streets and Highways Code. Sections 25,520 and 25,521, deal with dissolution of the Districts. This is a matter between the Boards of Supervisors of the counties comprising the Districts. However, in one case, the Legislature passed a special statute (Section 557 of the Streets and Highways Code) to dissolve Joint Highway District No. 10.

Should the counties have trouble in locating the records of these Joint Highway Districts an examination of our file on Joint Highway District No. 20 may be of some help. We have nothing regarding Joint Highway District No. 23 other than the above.

Original Signed by
C. T. LEDDEN

C. T. Ledden
City and County Projects
Engineer

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