

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION OF THE NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
STATE OF CALIFORNIA, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 3 OF PART 3 OF
DIVISION 9 (COMMENCING WITH SECTION 8320) OF THE STREETS AND
HIGHWAYS CODE DECLARING INTENTION TO ABANDON A PORTION
OF A PUBLIC ROAD (OLD HOWELL MOUNTAIN ROAD)**

WHEREAS, Streets and Highways Code Section 8320, et seq. authorizes a local agency to initiate proceedings to vacate a street, highway or public service easement; and

WHEREAS, Old Howell Mountain Road is described in that certain Road Petition No. 56A accepted by the Board of Supervisors on August 7, 1867, as reported in Meeting Minutes Book 'D' at Page 175 in the office of the Clerk of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the approximate 2.5-mile-long portion of this 66-foot-wide right-of-way from its intersection with Sulman Lane (northern limit) to its intersection with the St. Helena city limits (southern limit) is not necessary for a public roadway because it is no longer needed for vehicular access; and

WHEREAS, the County now wishes to abandon this right-of-way pursuant to Streets and Highways Code section 8320, et seq.; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1) The Napa County Board of Supervisors hereby declares its intention to abandon, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 3 of Part 3 of Division 9 (commencing with Section 8320) of the Streets and Highways Code, the hereinafter described portion of road situated in the County of Napa, State of California, to wit:

All that portion of Old Howell Mountain Road between the St. Helena city limit (southern limit) and Sulman Lane (northern limit) and being more particularly described in Exhibit "A" and depicted in Exhibit "A-1", both attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

2) The abandonment hereinabove described is conditioned upon the reservation of an easement for in-place public utility facilities as provided by Streets and Highways Code Section 8340(c) and a non-motorized trail easement retained for future incorporation into a trail system when and if appropriate as provided by Streets and Highways Code Section 8340(d).

3) August 19, 2025, at the hour of 9:00AM, or at such time thereafter as reasonably possible, in the Chambers of said Board of Supervisors, located in the County Administration Building, 1195 Third Street, Suite 305, Napa, California, shall be fixed as the time and place for hearing on adoption of a Resolution to Abandon a Portion of Old Howell Mountain Road.

4) The notice for said hearing shall be described in substantially the same form as attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

5) Said notice shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation published in said County of Napa for two (2) successive weeks preceding the date set for the hearing.

6) A copy of said notice shall be posted conspicuously along the line of the street proposed to be abandoned at least two weeks prior to the day fixed for the hearing.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED by the Napa County Board of Supervisors, State of California, at a regular meeting of the Board held on the 22nd day of July, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS _____

NOES: SUPERVISORS _____

ABSTAIN: SUPERVISORS _____

ABSENT: SUPERVISORS _____

NAPA COUNTY, a political subdivision of the State
of California

By: _____
Anne Cottrell, Chair of the
Board of Supervisors

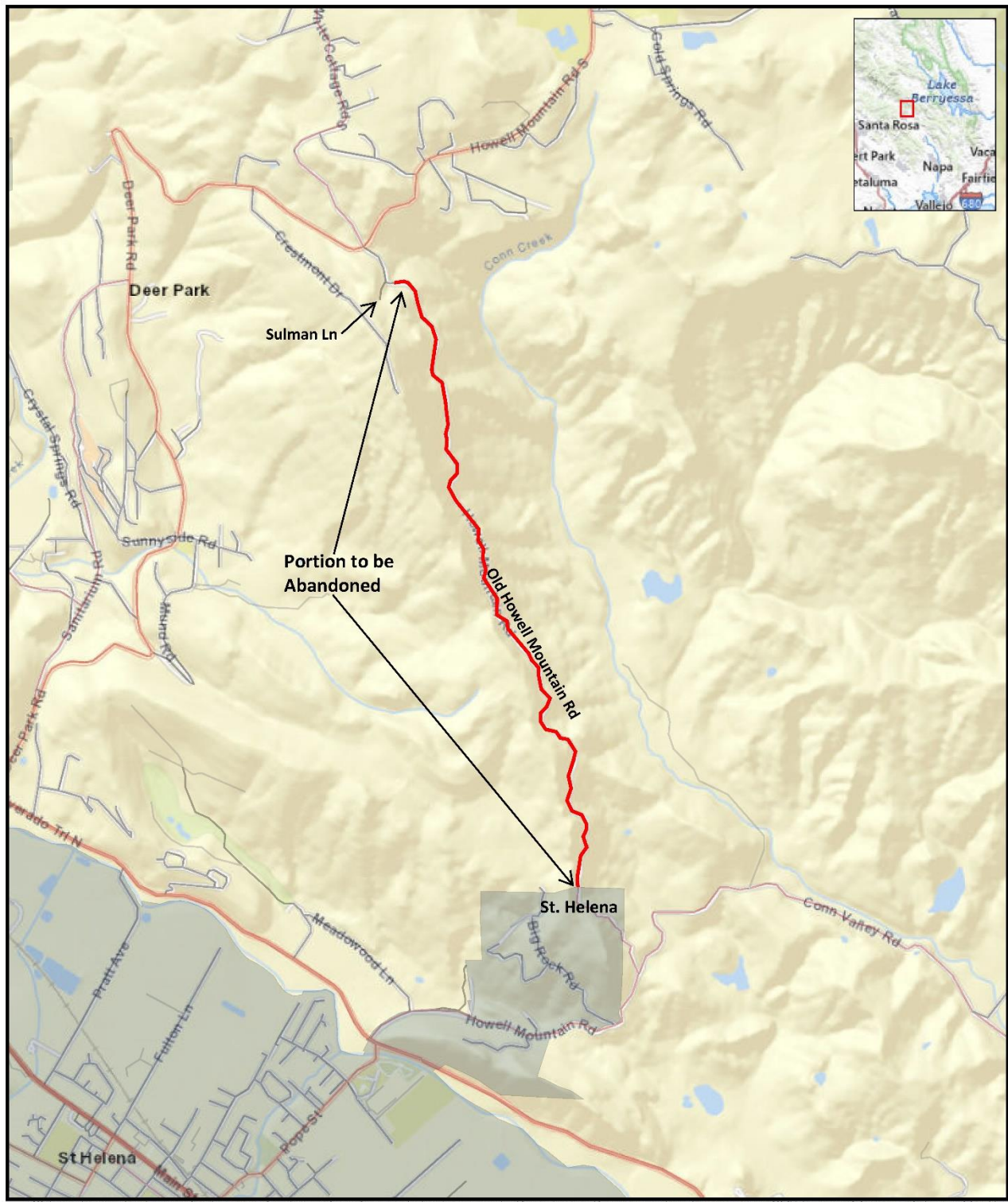
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| <p>APPROVED AS TO FORM Office of County Counsel</p> <p>By: <u>Ryan FitzGerald (e-sign)</u> Deputy County Counsel</p> <p>Date: <u>July 7, 2025</u></p> | <p>APPROVED BY THE NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS</p> <p>Date: _____</p> <p>Processed By: _____</p> <p>Deputy Clerk of the Board</p> | <p>ATTEST: NEHA HOSKINS Clerk of the Board of Supervisors</p> <p>By: _____</p> |
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Attachments:

Exhibit "A"
Exhibit "A-1"
Exhibit "B"

Exhibit “A”
Legal Description

All that portion of Old Howell Mountain Road, situated in the County of Napa, State of California, being a 66-foot-wide strip of land, the center of which is defined by the occupational centerline of its present location, lying northerly of the City of St. Helena city limit line and southerly of its intersection with Sulman Lane and depicted on the “Plat of Proposed Abandonment” attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit “A-1”.



USGS: The National Map; National Boundaries Dataset; 30EP Elevation Program; Geographic Names Information System; National Hydrography Dataset; National Land Cover Database; National Structures Dataset; and National Transportation Dataset; USGS: Geospatial Ecosystem; U.S. Census Bureau: 11025; Line Data; USFS: Road Data



Exhibit 'A-1' **Plat of Proposed Abandonment**

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Disclaimer: This map was prepared for informational purposes only. No liability is assumed for the accuracy of the data delineated hereon.

EXHIBIT “B”

NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE THE NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, REGARDING THE PROPOSED VACATION BY RESOLUTION OF A PORTION OF A COUNTY ROAD (OLD HOWELL MOUNTAIN ROAD)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Napa County Board of Supervisors that on Tuesday, August 19, 2025, at the hour of 9:00 AM, or at such time thereafter as reasonably possible, the Board of Supervisors will consider adopting a resolution to abandon a portion of the hereinafter described County road, pursuant to Section 8320 et seq. of the Streets and Highways Code of the State of California. All interested persons are directed to appear at said time and place to show cause, if any they have, why said road should not be abandoned.

DESCRIPTION: The portion of County road proposed to be abandoned is situated in the County of Napa, State of California, and described as follows:

All that portion of Old Howell Mountain Road, situated in the County of Napa, State of California, being a 66-foot-wide strip of land, the center of which is defined by the occupational centerline of its present location, lying northerly of the City of St. Helena city limit line and southerly of its intersection with Sulman Lane and depicted on the “Plat of Proposed Abandonment” attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit “A-1”.

The abandonment hereinabove described is conditioned upon the reservation of an easement for in-place public utility facilities as provided by Streets and Highways Code Section 8340(c) and a non-motorized trail easement retained for future incorporation into a trail system when and if appropriate as provided by Streets and Highways Code Section 8340(d).

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the proposed action may have a significant effect on the environment and therefore CEQA is not applicable. [See Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act, 14 CCR 15061(b)(3)]. The proposed action involves abandonment of 2.5 miles of OHMR that has no potential to result in a change to the environment and therefore is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable. Further, it has been determined that this type of project does not have a significant effect on the environment and is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. [See Class 1 (“Existing Facilities”) which may be found in the guidelines for the implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act at 14 CCR §15301; see also Napa County’s Local Procedures for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act, Appendix B.]

The meeting will be held in the Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room, Suite 305, Third Floor, County Administration Building, 1195 Third Street, Napa, California. Interested persons are invited to attend and be heard.

A copy of the background information is available for review at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County Administration Building, 1195 Third Street, Suite 310, Napa, California, 94559.