October 6, 2015

Marin County Board of Supervisors
3501 Civic Center Drive
San Rafael, CA 94903

Dear Board Members:

SUBJECT: Ordinance Establishing Parking Restrictions and a Parking Fine Zone on Portions of Muir Woods Road, Muir Woods National Monument, and Mount Tamalpais State Park

RECOMMENDATION: 1) Conduct merit hearing; and 2) adopt ordinance.

SUMMARY: On June 30, 2015, your Board approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the National Parks Service (NPS) that included a provision to reduce parking along the shoulders of Muir Woods Road (Franks Valley Road). The proposed ordinance is consistent with the provision to reduce the available number of parking spaces southerly of the bridge over Redwood Creek (located at milepost marker 1.90) to 80 spaces. In order to encourage compliance with the parking restriction, the proposed ordinance also establishes a parking fine zone. If the ordinance is adopted, the Board of Supervisors may establish the fine by resolution subsequent to adoption of the ordinance. The Board of Supervisors may also grant authority to the NPS, County Sheriff, and/or the California Highway Patrol to tow vehicles that are parked in violation of the ordinance once the MOU has been finalized and the specifics and responsibilities for a towing program have been determined.

A twenty-one day notification was sent to Muir Woods Road stakeholders including the Muir Beach Community Services District, Tamalpais Community Services District, and State and Federal Parks. No opposition to the proposed parking restrictions or proposed fine was received. A first reading of the ordinance was conducted by your Board on September 15, 2015.

Staff recommends establishment of the following parking restrictions/parking fine zone along the shoulder of the following portions of Muir Woods Road:

- Westbound lane of Muir Woods Road beginning at milepost 0.59 and extending west approximately 10,800 feet to milepost 2.81.
- Eastbound lane of Muir Woods Road beginning at milepost 0.59 and extending west approximately 5,300 feet to milepost 1.76.
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- Eastbound lane of Muir Woods Road beginning at milepost 1.90 and extending west 300 feet to milepost 1.96.

- Eastbound lane of Muir Woods Road beginning at milepost 2.09 and extending west 90 feet to milepost 2.11.

- Eastbound lane of Muir Woods Road beginning at milepost 2.19 and extending west 225 feet to milepost 2.23.

- Eastbound lane of Muir Woods Road beginning at milepost 2.25 and extending west approximately 2,960 feet to milepost 2.81.

* Due to the winding configuration of Muir Woods Road, eastbound refers to towards the intersection with Panoramic Highway and westbound refers to towards the intersection with Shoreline Highway (near Muir Beach).

If the proposed parking restrictions/parking fine zone are adopted by your Board, staff will return within 30 days with a resolution to set the fine amount.

Traffic Resolutions Nos. 75-310, 421, 903, 1088, and 2055 will be repealed.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This action will result in the installation and ongoing maintenance of twenty new signs. Existing funds are budgeted and available in Road Fund 20100, Fund Center 41000061000, Commitment Item #5220500. There is no impact to the General Fund.

**REVIEWED BY:**  
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[X] N/A

Respectfully submitted,

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