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June 4, 2024

Regular Meeting

**Item #5d. - List of
Projects for Fiscal Year
2024-2025 Funded by
SB1 Fund**

**Public Comment: Email
John Armstrong**

From: [JOHN ARMSTRONG](#)
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Subject: SB1 Road Repair and Accountability Proposal
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[EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Clerk of the Board
Mono County Board of Supervisors
Queenie Barnard
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Dear Queenie,

Would it be possible for you to please forward this mail to the Mono County Board of Supervisors to be included as a public submission to the meeting of June 4 2024. Thank you.

Sincerely,
John Armstrong
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Mono County Board of Supervisors

I have read the submission by Chad Senior, Mono County Associate Engineer concerning the allocation of SB1 funds for road repair and rehabilitation in the county for this year and for following years.

I appreciate the work of the county in recent times in repairing our roading systems as we move the overall quality of our network to a "good" level.

I do however disagree with the prioritization of projects in the report presented for the June 4 meeting.

I believe that the Benton Crossing Road needs to be moved up the priority list to be worked on as soon as possible in this fiscal year. The road usually carries more traffic than, and is in a much more advanced state of deterioration than, for example, Northshore Drive. There are cracks 4" wide and 4" deep on the section from Highway 120 to Wildrose Summit and in the segment from Highway 395 to Watterson Summit there are significant cracks about every 6-8 feet. The road is falling apart in front of us!

The road is an important artery for the county and is also a significant recreational attraction for cyclists. Disclaimer: I am one of those cyclists. I worked on the Mammoth Gran Fondo (High Sierra Fall Century) for 10 years and we were able to build up attendance from 600 to 2,000 riders. Unfortunately many of those 2,000 riders who come here in September will not be returning until we can point to improvements to Benton Crossing Road. The ride experience is brutal, as it is for motorists. If you have travelled this road recently you will know what I mean.

Please consider amending the SB1 Road Repair and Accountability proposal to elevate Benton Crossing Road in the work priority listing.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

John Armstrong.