MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 29, 2010

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Lew C. Bauman
       County Administrative Officer

SUBJECT: County Administrative Officer’s Weekly Report for March 29, 2010

This is the weekly report by the County Administrative Officer to the Board of Supervisors. This report provides information on issues affecting the County and the progress of County activities.

Health

The appointment of Robert C. Egnew as interim Director of Health, effective March 29, 2010, was announced last week. Mr. Egnew served as Behavioral Health Director with Monterey County for approximately 18 years as well as Interim Director of Health for a 10-month period. Prior to that, he was Mental Health Director with Mendocino County Mental Health from February 1980 to July 1984. Mr. Egnew brings an extensive array of professional experience and skills to the Health Department.

Public Works Department

The Thorne Road Bridge Replacement Project Ribbon Cutting Ceremony was held on Monday, March 29, 2010. The project consisted of the construction of a new two-lane concrete girder bridge adjacent to and on the existing alignment of a low-level crossing and fish ladder built in the 1960’s, associated approach embankment grading and paving, and removal of the existing structure. The new bridge has two-way 12-foot traffic lanes with 8-foot shoulders in each direction. It has the capacity to carry all legal loads, including the largest permitted loads by the State, and meets current seismic standards.
The project is projected to be completed below the estimated cost. The Thorne Road Bridge Replacement Project was funded by the Federal Highway Administration, and the California Department of Fish and Game Fisheries Restoration Grant. RGW Construction, Inc. was awarded the construction contract for this project in May 2008.

**Social and Employment Services**

Save the date: the VA Mobile Medical Team will be at the San Lorenzo Park, 1160 Broadway, in King City, on Monday, April 12th, from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. If you are an eligible veteran, you can see the Team! Information and enrollment for VA health benefits, and homeless and substance abuse programs also provided. For more information, contact Kate Severin, VA Outreach Coordinator, at 650-493-5000, extension 22581. No appointment necessary.

This concludes the CAO Weekly Report.