

RESOLUTION NO. 93-R-557

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE IMPROVEMENT BY THE OREGON DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OF ALTERNATE HIGHWAY ROUTES TO SERVE CURRY COUNTY AND THE OREGON COAST IN CASE OF TEMPORARY CLOSURES OF HIGHWAY 101 .

WHEREAS, the City of Brookings as well as the entire State of Oregon is heavily dependent upon tourism and the traveling public for revenue; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Brookings is accessible only via Highway 101, the north/south highway serving the Oregon coast; and

WHEREAS, recent events have shown that Highway 101 can easily be blocked for extended periods of time by natural events such as the "Arizona" landslide; and

WHEREAS, there are numerous locations on Highway 101 between Port Orford and Gold Beach with geologic formations similar to the "Arizona" slide area that could close the highway at any time; and

WHEREAS, our business community is heavily dependent upon those traveling Highway 101 and suffer a considerable loss of revenue whenever the highway is closed; and

WHEREAS, the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) is responsible for maintenance and construction on Highway 101;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Brookings that:

ODOT make every effort to improve the route from Highway 101, north of Port Orford, along Elk River via Highway 208, thence via Forest Service Road No. 5502, thence along Forest Service Road 3402, thence along County Road 505 back to Highway 101 at Euchre Creek, north of Gold Beach.

Said route, and in particular the two sections of Forest Service Roads specified above, be improved to a minimum of a single lane paved road, with adequate turnouts, so that a viable alternate route is created and maintained between Port Orford on the north to Gold Beach and other points on the south.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ODOT establish emergency by-pass roads around all known slide areas on Highway 101.

PASSED by the council and signed by the mayor this 12th day of April, 1993.



**Tom Davis
Mayor**

ATTEST:



**Beverly S. Shields
City Recordern**