

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
DEL NORTE COUNTY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**RESOLUTION # 13-14-15
Highway 101 Last Chance Grade**

WHEREAS, it is only a matter of time before U.S. Highway 101 at Last chance Grade collapses and slides into the ocean. When this happens, it will have a dire economic impact on Del Norte County.

WHEREAS, the tourism industry will take a high hit as visitors traveling north will not be able to journey any further on Highway 101 to travel inland. Those traveling south from Oregon on Highway 101 will use Highway 197 and 199 to continue their trip. This will have a devastating impact on the City's general fund. Hotels generate transit occupancy tax which is 25% of the City's general fund. This is the primary funding source for public safety services.

WHEREAS, Del Norte County would be split in two isolating the town of Klamath from City offices and Courthouse in Crescent City,

WHEREAS, students in Klamath would not be able to attend schools in Crescent City, California.


WHEREAS, it would take 7-9 hours to drive from Crescent City to Klamath.

WHEREAS, millions of dollars are being spent by CalTrans on a band aid approach to fixing this problem. When the road collapses, CalTrans would then start to build a new road, most likely going through the area where a road could be started now. The communities of Del Norte County cannot afford to wait the estimated 18-36 months for completion of a new road after the collapse. The new road needs to begin immediately and hope for completion before the inevitable disaster.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the *Del Norte County Unified School District governing board urges the Del Norte Local Transportation Commission to confer with all agencies and companies involved with the ease of egress to build a route around Last Chance Grade on Highway 101 south of Crescent City, California.*

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Del Norte County Unified School District Governing Board at a meeting held this 12th day of December, 2013.

AYES 5
NOES 0
ABSENT 0



Jennifer England, Clerk of the Board

12-12-13
Date