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County Names Contractor for Termino Avenue Storm Drain Project in Long Beach

Supervisor Don Knabe, Chairman of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (4th District) announced Board approval today of a \$22,640,000 contract with W. A. Rasic Construction Company, Inc., to construct the Termino Avenue Storm Drain project in Long Beach.

The project will enhance pedestrian and vehicular safety throughout the project area and includes measures to protect the quality of stormwater runoff and surface waters. Project components include construction of a new underground storm drain system to provide relief from localized flooding during storms, installation of trash excluder screens and filtration systems at catch basins, construction of a low-flow diversion system to protect water quality, and relocation of waterlines.

The majority of project costs will be financed with Los Angeles County Flood Control District funds, with water quality protection measures funded by the City of Long Beach.

Project managers from the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works expect construction to begin October 2009 near Marine Stadium. The project is slated for completion by November 2011. During construction, Appian Way, Nieto Avenue, Colorado Street, Park Avenue, 8th Street, Mayfield Street, and 11th Street near the storm drain alignment may be closed to through traffic. Sixth Street may be closed to through traffic during construction hours from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Local access will be permitted at all times.

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