

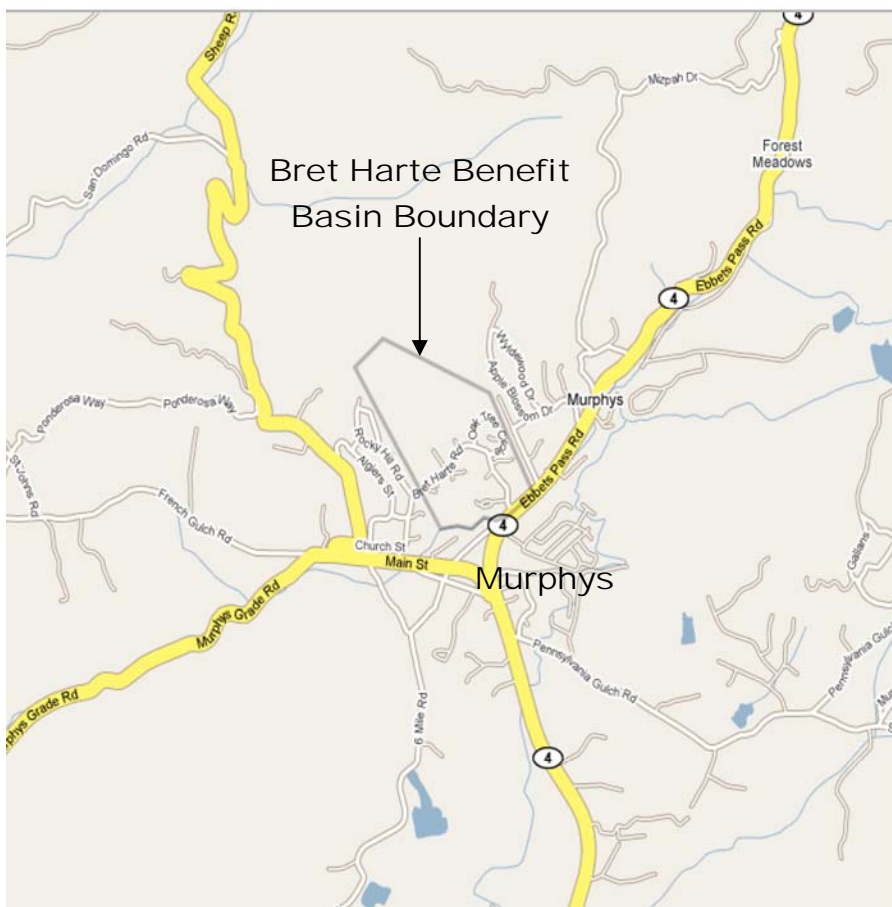
## Public Notice

The Calaveras County Board of Supervisors will be considering changes to the Bret Harte Benefit Basin at a public hearing at the following place and time.

**Subject:** Update of the Bret Harte Benefit Basin  
**Location:** Board Chambers  
Calaveras County Government Center  
891 Mountain Ranch Road  
San Andreas, California  
**Date:** April 21, 2009  
**Time:** 9:30 AM

### ***What is the Bret Harte Benefit Basin?***

The Bret Harte Benefit Basin was created in 1995 as a way for new residential and commercial development to fund public road improvements to Bret Harte Drive and its intersection with State Route 4. The Bret Harte Benefit Basin imposes a development impact fee when a building permit is issued for new construction or for changes in land use.



### ***Who is affected by the Bret Harte Benefit Basin?***

Owners of undeveloped parcels within the basin boundaries, which includes those properties in the Murphys community that rely on Bret Harte Drive for access to State Highway 4 as shown to the left.

### ***Why are changes to the Benefit Basin needed?***

Since its adoption almost 15 years ago, significant changes have occurred within the Bret Harte community including zoning changes, Caltrans policy for

State Route 4 operations, and continued growth. These changes have affected the scope and nature of road improvements that are needed to serve continued development. As a consequence, the Bret Harte Benefit Basin must be updated to reflect those changes and to assure that needed roadway improvements are adequately funded.

***What changes will be considered by the Calaveras County Board of Supervisors?***

The Board will be considering the following two fundamental changes to the Bret Harte Benefit Basin among others:

- *Capital Improvement Plan*, which removes improvements that were scheduled for the Bret Harte Drive/SR4 intersection and replaces them with improvements that have been completed at the Big Trees Road/SR4 intersection
- *Fee Schedule*
  - Change the fee basis from \$94.77 per average daily trip to \$14,184 per PM peak hour trip
  - Establishes a uniform residential development fee of \$14,541 per dwelling unit
  - Changes the commercial development fee from a uniform \$14,359 per parcel acre to either a designated fee per 1,000 square feet of enclosed building space or a fee of \$14,184 per PM peak hour trips

***Who decides whether or not the Bret Harte Benefit Basin will be changed?***

Development impact fees, such as the Bret Harte Benefit Basin, are governed by California Government Code Section 66000 et seq. That law states that any changes to the fee program require a public hearing and must be adopted by a majority vote of the Calaveras County Board of Supervisors.

***How can I find out more about the proposed changes?***

Documents associated with the proposed update of the Bret Harte Benefit Basin are available either online at <http://www.co.calaveras.ca.us> or at the Calaveras County Department of Public Works office located at 891 Mountain Ranch Road in San Andreas. These documents include the Public Works staff report to the Board; proposed Board resolution adopting the update; Implementation Plan including basin boundaries, capital improvement plan, and fee schedule; and Technical Report.

***Why am I receiving this notice?***

You are receiving this notice because you are listed as the property owner of an undeveloped parcel within the benefit basin boundaries. As such, issuance of a building permit for new construction on your property will be subject to any new fee schedule that may be adopted by the Board.

***How can I voice my opinion regarding the proposed changes?***

You may voice your opinion either *in person* at the public hearing listed above, *in writing* to Robert Pachinger, Interim Director, Calaveras County Department of Public Works, 891 Mountain Ranch Road, San Andreas, CA 95249, or *by email* to [btaylor@co.calaveras.ca.us](mailto:btaylor@co.calaveras.ca.us)

Should you have any questions regarding the public hearing or this notice, please feel free to call the Calaveras County Department of Public Works at 754-6401.