Tuolumne County Department of Public Works

Memo

To: To whom it may concern

From: Barry Bynum, Road Superintendent

CC: All interested parties

Date: March 16, 2007

Re: Legal status of Long Barn-Sugar Pine Road Southwest of the Odd Fellows Park

boundary.

This memo is an effort to clear up a misunderstanding concerning the legal status of the particular road in question. It has come to our attention that some private property owners bordering Long Barn-Sugar Pine Road "may" have been given incorrect information regarding the actual ownership of this "corridor" and the public's rights to its use.

In 1996 an application was brought before the Board of Supervisors for it's consideration to vacate this road from the County's maintained system and also it's status as a "public easement". The County Board rejected this application on a 5-0 vote. Thus, it remains, to this day, under ownership of the County of Tuolumne and the people therein.

One of the people that was under the impression that this road was on private property was a Mr. Adam Wilson. Mr. Wilson came into our office on Wed. March 14 and was informed that Long Barn-Sugar Pine remains a public road and no one has the legal right to gate or hinder, in any way, the public's right to access. Hopefully this message will find its way to the other parties that may be under the same impression as Mr. Wilson and the harassment that seems to be occurring will come to an end.

Barry Bynum

Road Superintendent