

President-Elect Obama has pledged to initiate a federal recovery program that will include massive investment in ready-to-go infrastructure projects, green energy initiatives, and electronic medical records modernization. While the criteria for selection of projects is not yet established, Congress has begun work on economic recovery legislation, and enactment is expected early after President Obama is inaugurated. The County of Los Angeles should maximize participation in each category of the economic recovery package both to enhance our local economy, and to improve County roads, facilities, and programs.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct the CEO, along with the assistance of our Departments, Legislative Advocates and Board Offices, to report back at the Board meeting of January 6, 2009 with a final list of major projects and initiatives that are most likely to qualify for funding by the Federal economic recovery legislation and a legislative strategy to maximize funding for Los Angeles County projects.

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