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This is a repeat request for the City to establish and manage a formal program to inspect and maintain the private roads in Old Agoura. This is an extremely serious public safety issue, as demonstrated by the chaos subsequent to the Chesebro Road Bridge failure during the Woolsey Fire. There were two main aspects of this particular event. With the bridge out, the other access roads to northern Old Agoura, Colodny and Fairview were subjected to many times their normal share of traffic, including very heavy trucks. And, a demolition contractor for the State Office of Emergency Services severely damaged three different streets by operating a steel-tracked Caterpillar excavator on them.

Even during more normal times, there is no formal management structure for private road maintenance. The establishment of a mandatory membership maintenance district might be one way of ensuring public safety in this peculiar situation.

If we can build a wildlife overpass spanning the Ventura Freeway, surely we can ensure safe passage to our homes and property.

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