

AGENDA ITEM 6 B
Consent Calendar

MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 7, 2008

TO: El Dorado County Transit Authority

FROM: Julie Petersen, Fiscal Administration Manager

SUBJECT: Adoption of Resolution to File and Execute Documents for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307, 5309, 5310, 5311, 5316 and 5317 funds.

REQUESTED ACTION:

BY MOTION, Adoption of Resolution No. 08-01 to File Applications for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307, 5309, 5310, 5311, 5316 and 5317 funds.

BACKGROUND

Funds are available through the Federal Transit Administration on a competitive grant and formula basis for transit operations and capital assistance.

FTA grant applications require a resolution designating a representative to file the grant application and to execute all documents/contracts resulting from the application.

FTA Section 5307 are regional funds available to EDCTA to fund services to the community of El Dorado Hills. This funding program is competitive with large urban areas within the SACOG region and restricted to capital, preventive maintenance and in some cases Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) service.

FTA Section 5309 is a category of discretionary funding of federal earmarks.

FTA Section 5310 provides for capital funding for assistance in providing transportation services meeting the special needs of elderly and persons with disabilities. El Dorado Transit was successful in nine (9) grant cycles for capital grants from this program. Typically, these funds are used to replace buses and vans that have reached useful life.

FTA Section 5311 provides Federal grants, made through states, for public transportation projects in non-urbanized areas. There are two (2) types of programming in Section 5311; 1) County/regional apportionment by formula and 2) Competitive Discretionary for Intercity connection projects. Historically, El Dorado County received \$120,000 - \$188,000 annually under formula program for operating assistance or capital projects. CalTrans District 3 staff notified EDCTA of \$464,750 apportioned for fiscal year 2007/2008.

FTA Section 5316 provides Federal grants for large and small urban areas in California for Job Access and Reverse Commute to provide transit service to and from jobs and training. This funding program is a formula based, competitive grant for operating assistance or capital projects.

FTA Section 5317 provides Federal grants for large and small urban areas in California to provide transit service to and from jobs and training for the disabled. This funding program is a formula based, competitive grant for operating assistance or capital projects.

Currently there are ten (10) transit vehicles eligible for replacement. EDCTA will pursue a combination of the above Federal Transit Administration grants in order to utilize the maximum federal funding available.

FISCAL IMPACT

All applications that require matching funds or budgetary consideration are submitted to the EDCTA for approval either individually or through the Operating or Capital Grant budget approval process.

**EL DORADO COUNTY TRANSIT AUTHORITY
RESOLUTION NO. 08-01**

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE EL DORADO COUNTY TRANSIT AUTHORITY
AUTHORIZING THE TRANSIT DIRECTOR TO FILE FEDERAL TRANSIT
ADMINISTRATION (FTA) SECTION 5307, 5309, 5310, 5311, 5316 AND 5317 FUNDS

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AND ORDERED, that the Transit Director of the El Dorado County Transit Authority (EDCTA) is hereby authorized and directed to file applications for Section 5307, 5309, 5310, 5311, 5316 and 5317 funds under the Federal Transportation Act, on behalf of the EDCTA with the United States Department of Transportation, relative to the expenditure of funds for transit operating and capital assistance to provide transit services in El Dorado County, and to do and perform everything necessary to carry out the purpose of this resolution;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Transit Director or the designated representative shall be authorized to execute all documents resulting from these Applications.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EL DORADO COUNTY TRANSIT AUTHORITY at a regular meeting of said Board held on the 7th day of February 2008, by the following vote of said Board:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

EDCTA Chair

Mindy Jackson, Transit Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Barbara McDonald
Secretary to the EDCTA Board