

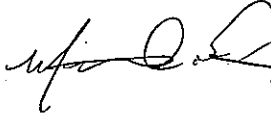
AGENDA ITEM 6 A
Action Item

****TIMED ITEM**** 1:00 PM PUBLIC HEARING

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 7, 2009

TO: El Dorado County Transit Authority

FROM: Matt Mauk, Transit Services Assistant 

SUBJECT: **Public Hearing to Consider American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Non-Urban Section 5311 Grant Application for Bus Replacement, Preventive Maintenance and Paratransit Operating Service Assistance**

REQUESTED ACTION:
BY MOTION,

- 1. Open Public Hearing to Consider ARRA, FTA Section 5311 Projects**
- 2. Accept Public Comment**
- 3. Close Public Hearing**

BACKGROUND

FTA Section 5311 provides Federal grants, through states, for public transportation projects in non-urbanized areas. FTA Section 5311 includes two (2) types of programming; 1) County/Regional apportionment by formula and 2) Competitive Discretionary for Intercity connection projects. Caltrans District 3 staff notified El Dorado Transit of \$769,133 in ARRA funds apportioned to El Dorado Transit. These funds will be administered through the FTA Section 5311 program for replacement of nine (9) fleet vehicles and preventive maintenance. In addition, the application will include a 10% contingency grant for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) paratransit operating assistance.

On March 19, 2009 the El Dorado County Transit Authority adopted Resolution No. 09-09 authorizing staff to file applications and execute all related documents for ARRA, FTA Section 5311 program funding.

DISCUSSION

The ARRA, FTA Section 5311 grant program requires applicants hold a legally noticed, public hearing to afford members of the public an opportunity to comment on the

potential economic, social and environmental effects of the project. As per the program guidance, this hearing was noticed in the Mountain Democrat on March 23, 2009. Documentation of the legal notice and a transcript of this hearing will be submitted with the application.

FISCAL IMPACT

<u>Grant</u>	<u>Project Description</u>	<u>Revenue</u>
ARRA/FTA Section 5311*	Vehicle replacement	\$643,000
	Preventive maintenance	\$126,113
	ADA operating assistance	<u>\$76,913</u>
	Total	\$846,026

*Program does not require matching funds