



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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Department Name: Public Works  
Department No.: 054  
For Agenda Of: June 17, 2008  
Placement: Set Hearing  
Estimated Tme: N/A  
Continued Item: No  
If Yes, date from:  
Vote Required: Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Scott D. McGolpin, Director of Public Works, #568-3010  
Director(s)  
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**SUBJECT: Receive A Progress Report on the Agricultural Worker Transportation Program;  
Fourth and Fifth Supervisorial Districts.**

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: N/A

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence.**

As to form: N/A

**Other Concurrence:** Risk Management

As to form: N/A

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors set a hearing for July 8, 2008 (Estimated time: 45 Minutes Total; 20 Minutes Staff) to consider the following item:

- Receive a progress report from Public Works staff regarding the County's Agricultural Worker Transportation Program (AWTP).

**Summary Text:**

On February 6, 2007, the Board approved an application to Caltrans for funding from the State's new Agricultural Worker Transportation Program (AWTP). The purpose of this program is to replicate farmworker vanpool programs across the State based on a successful model developed by Kings County.

In March of 2007, the County received notice that the State had awarded \$70,000 in planning funds from this program.

On July 10, 2007, the Board approved an agreement between Caltrans and the County regarding the award of \$70,000 in funding for the pilot program. The Board also approved a contract with the Santa Maria Organization of Transportation Helpers (SMOOTH) to provide a full range of services related to day to day operation and oversight of implementing the program in the Santa Maria Valley.

On Oct. 23, 2007, the Board approved the purchase of nine (9) used vans from Kings County and authorized submittal of a grant to Caltrans to purchase and operate an additional fleet of vans for 3years.

On December 13, 2007, the County received notice from Caltrans that it had received an award of funding for nearly \$3.1 million from the State's AWTP. The County is using this funding to expand the vehicle fleet and pay for program operations for the next 2 ½ years consistent with the terms of the grant.

**Background:**

On March 25, 2008, the Board received a progress report on the County's AWTP, authorized the purchase of nine (9) additional new vans and directed Public Works to return this summer with an additional progress report. The purpose of the hearing on July 8, 2008 is to provide the Board with this additional progress report.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: N/A

**Fiscal Analysis:** N/A

**Staffing Impacts:**

None

**Legal Positions:**

**FTEs:**

**Attachments:** None

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