

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Phillip M. Demery, Director, Public Works

STAFF Bret Stewart, Transportation Division Manager, Public Works
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SUBJECT: **Transportation Development Act (TDA) Claim for FY 2005/2006; All Supervisorial Districts**

Recommendation:

That the Board of Supervisors:

Adopt the attached resolution authorizing the filing of a \$1,417,345 claim with the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) for an allocation of Transportation Development Act funds for fiscal year 2005/2006.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation is primarily aligned with Strategic Plan Goal No. 5: Maintain and Enhance the Quality of Life for All Residents.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

The Transportation Development Act (TDA) makes funds available to Santa Barbara County for transit, paratransit, transportation planning, pedestrian facility, bicycling facility, street and road purposes. Within the TDA are two separate funding sources; the Local Transportation Fund (LTF) and the State Transit Assistance (STA) Fund. The LTF can be used for all the purposes mentioned above (if applicable requirements are met) while the STA can only be used for mass transportation and transportation planning purposes.

Each year SBCAG makes an allocation of LTF and STA monies to eligible agencies, and each agency is required to authorize a position to execute and file the claims with SBCAG. The attached resolution designates the Public Works Director as the County's authorized position for this purpose.

The funding the County receives through the Transportation Development Act is, in part, apportioned by your Board (through adoption of this resolution) to Santa Maria, Lompoc and Solvang. These cities in turn use the County's money, and their own, to support the activities of Santa Ynez Transit in the Santa Ynez Valley, Santa Maria Area Transit in the Santa Maria Valley and Lompoc Transit in the Lompoc Valley.

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The County also directly supports the activities of the Cuyama Transit System (operated by the Cuyama Valley Recreation District) and the Los Alamos Shuttle (operated by the Santa Maria Organization of Transportation Helpers) with TDA monies. Any TDA funds the County receives that are not required to address reasonable transit needs in the unincorporated area can be used for streets and road purposes.

Mandates and Service Levels:

Acceptance of TDA funds requires the County to use the money first to address reasonable, unmet transit needs and provide a specified level of funding for regional transportation planning and pedestrian/bicycle facilities. TDA monies are allocated for these purposes and documented in the attached Board Resolution and supporting documentation.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

The SBCAG will allocate \$1,417,345 in LTF funds to County Fund 0015/Revenue Account 3094 through this claim.

Special Instructions:

Please provide two copies for pick up of the minute order with executed document to the attention of Kathleen Dowd, Public Works Department Traffic Section.

Concurrence:

County Counsel
Auditor/Controller

c: D. Manuel, PW Admin
B. Perkins, SBCAG
File: B900.100.05-06

Attachments: 1) TDA Resolution
2) TDA Claim: Documents A, C-1, and C-2