



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101  
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Department Name: Public Works  
Department No.: 054  
For Agenda Of: June 19, 2018  
Placement: Administrative  
Estimated Time  
Continued Item: No  
If Yes, date from:  
Vote Required: Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Department Director: Scott D. McGolpin, Public Works Director, 568-3010  
Contact Info: Chris Sneddon, Deputy Director – Transportation, 568-3064  
**SUBJECT:** State of California 2017/2018 Exchange and State Match Program, Agreement for the Exchange of Federal Highway Dollars, All Supervisorial Districts

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and Authorize the Chair of the Board to execute the attached agreement with the State of California, Department of Transportation, for the exchange of Federal Highway dollars for Non-Federal State Highway Account dollars, for Fiscal Year 2017/2018 apportionments in the amount of \$558,115;
- b) Authorize the Director of Public Works or designee to apportion these Regional Surface Transportation Program funds to the City of Buellton, the City of Guadalupe and the City of Solvang for FY 2017/2018, in the amounts established under Section 182.6(d)(1) of the Streets and Highways Code and by Santa Barbara County Association of Governments guidelines; and
- c) Find that the proposed action does not constitute a “Project” within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act, pursuant to 14 CCR 15378(b)(4) (continuing administrative or maintenance activities, such as purchases for supplies, personnel-related actions, general policy and procedure making), and approve and direct staff to file the attached Notice of Exemption on that basis.

**Summary Text:**

Each year, the County of Santa Barbara has the opportunity to exchange Federal Highway dollars for Non-Federal State Highway Account dollars through this agreement between the State and the County. This exchange is desirable as it gives the County the flexibility to use these funds for a wide range of transportation projects, from local road improvements to matching funds for other State or Federally funded projects. The Federal mandates associated with Federal funds are not applicable to funds

converted to State Highway Account dollars; therefore, the only applicable Federal restrictions are those specifically incorporated into the Agreement.

Your Board has approved similar exchange agreements each year since 1991. With the execution of this agreement, the County will receive the FY 2017/2018 apportionments in the amount of \$558,115.

**Background:**

Since the approval of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) in 1991, Santa Barbara County has been appropriated a sum of Federal funds annually, in an amount determined by the Federal Government. These Federal funds were appropriated under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST). The County is permitted to exchange funds under Streets and Highways Code section 182.6(h) and these funds are shared between the County and Cities of the County, as determined by guidelines adopted by the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG).

By agreement, the County is responsible for collecting these funds on behalf of the City of Buellton, the City of Guadalupe, and the City of Solvang. Once the County receives the exchanged funds from the State, each of these Cities can request their portion directly from the County.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes

**Narrative:**

With the execution of this agreement, the County will receive \$558,115 to be deposited in Department 054, Fund 0015, Account 4320. Of this amount, the County will disperse \$73,511 to the City of Buellton, \$80,161 to the City of Solvang, and \$106,261 to the City of Guadalupe as identified for FY 2017/18. After disbursements, the County's share will be \$298,182.

**Special Instructions:**

Please return all original executed agreements with a certified stamped minute order to Public Works, Transportation Division, Attn: Gail Ocheltree. Once the agreement has been fully executed, an original copy will be returned to the Clerk's Office for your records.

**Attachments:**

Attachment A: Agreement - Federal Apportionment Exchange Program and State Match Program, California Department of Transportation – Non MPO County (2 duplicate originals)

Attachment B: Notice of Exemption

**Authored by:**

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**cc:** Transportation Accounting