

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Action Item

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Subject: **PROPOSITION 116 - NON-URBAN COUNTY PROGRAM PROJECT APPLICATION APPROVAL - COUNTY OF ALPINE RESOLUTION PA-08-05**

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve the attached resolution for one Proposition 116 Non-Urban County Program project approval application for Alpine County for \$51,886 to acquire a new paratransit vehicle for its Alpine Mountain Transit service.

ISSUE:

The County of Alpine is requesting that the \$51,886 in unprogrammed Proposition 116 Non-Urban County Program funds available under Public Utilities Code Section 99628 be programmed for a new paratransit vehicle purchase.

BACKGROUND:

Proposition 116, the Clean Air and Transportation Improvement Act (CATIA), was approved by the voters of California in June 1990 and provided \$1.99 billion for bicycle, rail and mass transportation purposes. As part of CATIA, \$73 million was established under Public Utilities Code Section 99628 for allocation by the Commission on a per capita basis to nonurban counties, including Alpine. The funds are to be used for transit-related projects, including transit vehicle acquisition.

In September 2008, the Alpine County Local Transportation Commission adopted the Alpine County Short Range Transportation Development Plan (SRTDP), which recommended that the Alpine Mountain Transit continue with a two-day per week service between Markleeville and Gardnerville as a life-line for basic needs. In May 2008, the current transit vehicle used for this service broke down, and it was determined that the cost of the repair exceeded the value of the vehicle. The County of Alpine has submitted a Proposition 116 application to program the funds apportioned to the County under Public Utilities Section 99528 (\$51,886) for the purchase of this vehicle. The total estimated cost of the paratransit vehicle is \$82,386; local funds will be used in addition to the Proposition 116 funds to fully fund the acquisition. A concurrent allocation is also being requested.

Attachment

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Project Approval Proposition 116 Non-Urban County Transit Program Alpine County

Resolution PA-08-05

- 1.1 WHEREAS, in June 1990 the voters approved Proposition 116, the Clean Air and Transportation Improvement Act (CATIA), which provides \$1.99 billion for bicycle, rail and mass transportation purposes; and
- 1.2 WHEREAS, the California Transportation Commission (Commission) is designated in Proposition 116 to oversee the five grant programs over the 20-year term of the Proposition; and
- 1.3 WHEREAS, Proposition 116 calls for the Commission to establish an application process and to develop and adopt guidelines to implement those programs; and
- 1.4 WHEREAS, Proposition 116 requires applications to specify full and complete capital plans, financial plans and operating plans, including schedules and funding sources; and
- 1.5 WHEREAS, in April 1992, the Commission adopted the Non-Urban County Transit Projects Manual, and in November 1995 adopted amended policy and application guidelines (Resolution #G-91-6 as amended by Resolution #G-95-22) for the Non-Urban County Transit Projects; and
- 1.6 WHEREAS, Public Utilities Code (PUC) Section 99628 specifies that \$73 million shall be allocated on a per capita basis to the transportation planning agencies having jurisdiction in the 28 non-urban counties identified in Proposition 116 for bicycle, pedestrian, and transit projects; and
- 1.7 WHEREAS, the Commission adopted on October 18, 1991 (G-91-10), the per capita allocation for Alpine County in the amount of \$51,886; and
- 1.8 WHEREAS, Alpine County Local Transportation Commission is the transportation planning agency and eligible applicant for Proposition 116 funds in Alpine County; and
- 1.9 WHEREAS, Alpine County Local Transportation Commission has transferred its eligible applicant status to Alpine County, and Alpine County has accepted the eligible applicant status; and

- 1.10 WHEREAS, the County of Alpine has submitted an application requesting \$51,886 to purchase one paratransit vehicle; and
- 1.11 WHEREAS, the County's Non-Urban County Transit Project application has been reviewed by the Department of Transportation's Division of Mass Transportation and appears to meet all the basic requirements, as specified in Proposition 116 and the Commission's policies and guidelines.
- 2.1 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commission hereby approves the County of Alpine's Proposition 116 Non-Urban Transit Program Application (PUC section 99628) for \$51,886 to purchase one paratransit vehicle.
- 2.2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a Proposition 116 project application approval by the Commission reserves the state funding for the project, and allows the applicant agency to incur costs for the project and is subject to state reimbursement pursuant to the Commission's "Guidelines for Allocating, Monitoring, and Auditing Funds for Local Assistance Projects" and subsequent fund transfer agreement.