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CALAVERAS COUNCIL
of GOVERNMENTS

MEMORANDUM

TO: Council Members
FROM: Brittany Odermann
DATE: March 24, 2006
SUBJECT: Section 5310 Application: Regional Prioritized Project List

RECOMMENDATION

That the Council:

- 1) adopt the attached regional prioritized list of scored projects (Form 1) as it is consistent with the Calaveras County Regional Transportation Plan; and**
- 2) authorize the Executive Director to sign the attached MPO/RTPA Section 5310 Certification and Assurances as the certifying representative (Form 2).**

BACKGROUND

Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 grants are available to provide capital for the purpose of meeting the transportation needs of elderly persons and persons with disabilities. As the sole public transportation provider in the county, Calaveras Transit is eligible to apply for grants under this program. As part of the application process each RTPA must evaluate, score and rank proposed projects for submittal to Caltrans. The state uses these scores to determine which projects get funded throughout the state.

DISCUSSION

Calaveras County Public Works (CCPW) Department submitted a fiscal year 2006/2007 FTA Section 5310 application to fund the replacement of four buses in the Calaveras Transit fleet. Each of the buses proposed for replacement exceed the FTA mileage replacement criteria, varying from 242,185 to 376,574 at the time of application submittal. Using the evaluation and scoring criteria provided by Caltrans Division of Mass Transportation, CCOG Staff scored the projects as submitted by CCPW. The attached Form 1 ranks the replacement buses in descending order first by score and second by mileage.

The 2001 Calaveras County Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) supports the development and maintenance of effective public transit in the region. Replacing the four proposed vehicles will minimize the need for continuous repair and maintenance, improving the operator's ability to provide a consistent, reliable service to the community.