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CALAVERAS COUNCIL
of GOVERNMENTS

MEMORANDUM

TO: Council Members

FROM: Tyler Summersett
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DATE: January 31, 2007

SUBJECT: **Unmet Transit Needs – Public Hearing**

BACKGROUND

The Calaveras Council of Governments (CCOG), as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) for Calaveras County is responsible for implementing the Transportation Development Act (TDA), established by the California Legislature in 1971, in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). TDA legislation dictates that each year an Unmet Transit Needs Hearing must be conducted to collect feedback on the existing transportation services that are being offered using Local Transportation Funds (LTF). This public forum will allow the CCOG an opportunity to document the concerns of those individuals who are currently using transit services or are unable to do so because current services don't meet their needs.

DISCUSSION

In an effort to reach as many residents of the County as possible, several "community" meetings were held to solicit feedback regarding unmet needs in various regions of the County. The following is a list of dates that CCOG staff met with community members:

- January 11, 2007 Mountain Ranch
- January 22, 2007 Copperopolis
- February 6, 2007 Angels Camp

Additionally, CCOG staff convened the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) on January 31, 2007 to gather feedback regarding unmet needs in the resource agency community.

Further input was gathered in the form of written communication from our customers. A Request for Public Comment form was circulated by CCOG, County and MV Transit staff in Calaveras Transit buses, County and CCOG offices, and at "community" meetings.

All of the comments recorded today, collected from "community" meetings and received through written communication will be compiled, reviewed by the SSTAC and the CCOG, to be presented in a report written by CCOG for board review and potential adoption in April!

****IMPORTANT** No response will be made tonight regarding disposition of Unmet Needs!!**