

# Attachment A

## El Dorado County

### **Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program Methodology and Calculations for Setting the Annual Anticipated DBE Participation Level (AADPL) for Federal Fiscal Year 2008/2009 (FFY 08/09)**

#### **I. DOT-Assisted Contracting Program for FFY 08/09**

<b>Work Category</b>	<b>NAICS Code</b>	<b>CALTRANS Work Category Code</b>	<b>Estimated Contracts Completing in FFY 08/09</b>
Highway, Street, and Bridge Construction	23731	C1531	\$1,220,000

#### **II. Annual Anticipated DBE Participation Level Methodology**

##### **A. Step 1: Determination of a Base Figure**

Numerator: Caltrans DBE directory of firms, with the following modifications:

1. Filtered for applicable construction codes, as listed in above table.
2. Filtered for contractors that operate within the three-County market area that generally serves El Dorado County's contracting needs.<sup>1</sup>

This results in **21** identified ready, willing, and able DBE firms.

Denominator: The total number of construction companies within El Dorado County's three-County market area based on the U.S. Census Bureau "County Business Patterns" statistics for 2005 (NAICS Code 23731), which is the most recent year of available data:

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<sup>1</sup> El Dorado, Placer and Sacramento Counties are included in the region used in determining the Base Figure since historically the Department receives a large percentage of bids on its projects from contractors located within these three counties.

Caltrans DBE County Code	County Name	NAICS Code	Number of Firms
09	El Dorado	23731	12
31	Placer	23731	28
34	Sacramento	23731	37
<b>Total Highway, Street, and Bridge Construction Firms:</b>			<b>77</b>

Base Figure Calculation:  $\frac{21}{77} = 27\%$

Base Figure = **27%**

The Step 1 analysis results in DBEs accounting for 27% of the total companies within the region.

**B. Step 2: Adjusting the Base Figure**

According to the guidelines, Step 2 is to examine all of the evidence available in the jurisdiction to determine what adjustment, if any, is needed to the Base Figure to arrive at the overall level. The guidelines suggest reviewing the volume of work performed by DBE's on El Dorado County projects in recent years to determine if an adjustment is needed. El Dorado County Department of Transportation has bid four projects since the start of the race-neutral program; Missouri Flat Road/El Dorado Road Signalization and Intersection Improvements (Final participation, 1.7%), Pleasant Valley Two-Way Left-Turn Lane (project not finalized, projected DBE participation based on winning bid, 4.4%), Asphalt Concrete Overlay El Dorado Hills Boulevard (project not finalized, projected DBE participation based on winning bid, 1.5%) and Green Valley Road at Tennessee Creek Bridge-Bridge Replacement - Potholing (project not finalized, projected DBE participation based on winning bid, 0%).

Therefore, the County does not believe that the Step 1 Base Figure of 27% provides a realistic participation level. Given the factors outlined above, the County recommends that we set an AADPL of **3%**. The County will continue to evaluate its DBE participation on upcoming federally assisted contracts for use in establishing future DBE participation levels.

The Department contacted Placer and Sacramento Counties (adjacent counties and relevant market area) and learned that they have not calculated their AADPL at this point in time.

**III. Disparity Study Results**

No disparity studies have been found or are in process to evaluate the El Dorado County market. Caltrans conducted a statewide disparity study and is currently reviewing the implementation of the final report findings to determine the extent of the program revisions required. The Division of Local Assistance will communicate this information to the County.