

EL DORADO COUNTY CALIFORNIA
Chief Administrative Office

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Memo To: Board of Supervisors

From: Laura S. Gill, Chief Administrative Officer

Subject: Status Report on Target Dates for Capital Projects Related to Sheriff's Department Facilities
(Agenda Item #34, May 15, 2007)

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Recommendation

Chief Administrative Officer recommending that the Board of Supervisors receive and file this status report concerning target dates for capital projects related to Sheriff's Department facilities: Placerville Jail Expansion, new Sheriff's Administration building, and the El Dorado Hills Substation.

Background

At its April 10 meeting (agenda item #36), I provided the Board of Supervisors with projected target dates for the Placerville Jail Expansion and the new Sheriff's Administration building. At that time, the Board received this report and staff to bring a status report at its May 15 meeting. In addition, staff is bringing a status report on the site selection for the Sheriff's El Dorado Hills substation.

Issues/Analysis

The attached report provides the status of various tasks involved with each facility. At the present time, activities related to both facilities are on schedule.

The report also includes the results of a feasibility assessment for two sites in the Bass Lake corridor for the future El Dorado Hills substation. The assessment, conducted by General Services staff, concludes that the property adjacent to the El Dorado Hills Fire Department station is the most feasible site for the new substation based on the ability to accommodate a 15,000 square foot building with 81 dedicated parking spaces, price, and proximity to planned extension of utilities (sewer).

Effect of AB 900 on jail expansion financing. The Governor signed AB 900, also known as the Public Safety and Offender Rehabilitation Services Act of 2007, on May 3, 2007. This measure provides \$7.7 billion to add 53,000 prison and jail beds throughout California.

The new law provides for the construction of 13,000 new local jail beds and provides \$1.2 billion through State issued lease revenue bonds. Counties are required to provide 25% in matching funds. However, there is a provision to allow for the reduction or elimination of match requirements for those counties with a population of 200,000 or less.

The Placerville Jail Expansion project is currently estimated to cost \$20 million. With AB 900 funds, assuming that El Dorado County would provide a 25% match, only \$5 million in local funding would be required. If the County were to participate in this program, we would have an opportunity to stretch our limited capital improvement dollars further. We will keep the Board informed as more information becomes available.

Staff and I are available to answer any questions you may have concerning this update.

Project: Jail Expansion (Placerville Facility)

Task	Status
Hire Architectural Consultant COMPLETE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ At its April 10 meeting, the Board approved a contract with Nacht and Lewis for a two-year term to provide architectural design services for the expansion of the existing Placerville Jail facility.
Program Needs Evaluation Targeted Completion: May 31, 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ On April 25, General Services and Sheriff's Department staff held their first project "Kick-Off" meeting. Key elements of discussion consisted of a definition of the project scope, project goals and objectives, identification of the CEQA (EIR) Consultant, identification of agencies involved in process, anticipated road improvements, programming, project schedule and tour of the existing jail. ▪ Next meeting scheduled for May 16 at 9:30.
Design Targeted Completion: January 31, 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Activity will begin upon conclusion of program needs evaluation.
CEQA EIR Activities Targeted Completion: December 31, 2007 *Date dependent upon when decisions concerning site use is made	<p>Received proposal from Environmental Stewardship and Planning (ESP) for the preparation of the CEQA Document. Contract with same pending clear definition of scope of services for the site.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Anticipate contract to Board for CEQA mid June.
Review with City of Placerville	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff met with the City of Placerville's Public Works Director at the jail site to discuss project plans together with anticipated requirements of City. <p>CEQA process will identify the impacts and mitigation measures.</p> <p>Obtained knowledge relative to capacity of existing sewer line. The Public Works Director informed us that study is complete and line has adequate capacity to accommodate our planned improvements.</p>

Project: Sheriff's Administration Center

Task	Status
Site Selection and Conceptual Design	<p>Staff is determining the feasibility of construction of a new facility on the 26 acre parcel where the jail is located.</p> <p>General Services will contract with an environmental firm for preparation of CEQA document and will use selected consultant for both the Jail Expansion and the Sheriff Administration Center.</p>
<p>Hire Architectural Consultant Targeted Completion: June 30, 2007</p>	<p>Anticipate RFP for Architectural Design to be released by the end of May.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Anticipate contract to be approved by the BOS in mid-June.
<p>CEQA EIR Activities Targeted Completion: December 31, 2007</p> <p>*Date dependent upon when decisions concerning site use is made</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Received proposal from Environmental Stewardship and Planning (ESP) for the preparation of the CEQA Document. Contract with same pending clear definition of scope of services for the site. ▪ Anticipate contract to Board for CEQA by mid-June.
<p>Design Targeted Completion: August 31, 2008</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Activities to begin after July 1, 2007
Review with City of Placerville	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff met with the City of Placerville's Public Works Director at the jail site to discuss project plans together with anticipated requirements of City. Identified the possibility of deleting the concept of a Court Facility and the addition of a Sheriff Administration Center.

Project: Sheriff Sub-Station (El Dorado Hills)

Task	Status
Site Selection	<p>County team explored the feasibility of acquiring one of two sites – A) Property adjacent to El Dorado Hills Fire Department station, and B) Property approximately 11 acres at the Northwest corner of Highway 50 and Bass Lake Road.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Site A is deemed most feasible because 1) water is available here and not at Site B, and 2) sewer will be available at this location sooner than at Site B. <p>Staff recommends the purchase of the two-acre property currently offered by the El Dorado County Water District (Fire Department) based on the ability to accommodate 15,000 SF building with 81 dedicated parking spaces, price, and proximity to planned extension of utilities (sewer).</p>