

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 2007/2008 (FFY 07/08)

I. DOT-Assisted Contracting Program for FFY 07/08

Work Category	NAICS Code	CALTRANS Work Category Code	Estimated Contracts FFY 07/08
Highway, Street, and Bridge Construction	23731	C1531	\$3,186,000

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.¹

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 2003 (NAICS Code 23731), which is the most recent year of available data:

¹ 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	10
31	Placer	23731	28
34	Sacramento	23731	42
Total Highway, Street, and Bridge Construction Firms:			80

Base Figure Calculation: $\frac{21}{80} = 26.3\%$

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The Step 1 analysis results in DBEs accounting for 26.3% 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 two projects since the start of the race-neutral program; Missouri Flat Road/El Dorado Road Signalization and Intersection Improvements (projected DBE participation based on winning bid, 1.7%), and Pleasant Valley Two-Way Left-Turn Lane (projected DBE participation based on winning bid, 3.5%). Both projects have not been finalized.

Therefore, the County does not believe that the Step 1 Base Figure of 26.3% 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 known to exist which affect the El Dorado County market. Caltrans is currently conducting a statewide disparity study and as soon as the final report of the disparity study becomes available, Caltrans will review the results to determine whether or not to revise the program. The Division of Local Assistance will communicate this information to the County.