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Jerry Barton, Senior Transportation Planner
El Dorado County Transportation Commission
2828 Easy Street, Suite 1
Placerville, CA 95667

RE: El Dorado County Transportation Commission and El Dorado County Transit Authority
Transportation Grant Application - Transit Planning for Rural Communities Program

Mr. Barton,

The County of El Dorado Health and Human Services Agency supports the El Dorado County Transportation Commission and the El Dorado County Transit Authority request for Caltrans 5304 grant program funds to conduct a Dial-A-Ride Zone Assessment and Implementation Plan. El Dorado Transit has operated Dial-A-Ride service within the Western Slope of El Dorado County since 1975. The last Zone Assessment study was completed in 2001 and is now outdated compared to the current service needs.

The Health and Human Services Agency (HHS) is an organization devoted to improving the quality of life for residents in El Dorado County by advocating and promoting a strong, healthy and diverse community. HHS consumers are consistent users of the El Dorado Transit system and we are directly invested in improving transportation services provided throughout the County.

The Dial-A-Ride service provides transportation for the elderly, disabled and limited general public persons. These services provide mobility freedom to local residents, but at a high cost. HHS endorses this project as a means of ensuring that the Dial-A-Ride services will continue to operate in a fair, equitable and financially sustainable manner and supports the approval of the grant application for the implementation of this project.

Sincerely,

Don Ashton, M.P.A.
Director

cc: Mindy Jackson, Executive Director
El Dorado County Transit Authority