



# County of El Dorado

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TO: Members, Board of Supervisors

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SUBJECT: JULY 19, 2016 MEETING AGENDA – ITEM #20 (16-0699)

Based on discussions with County Counsel, we felt it was necessary to provide the Board and members of the public with the following additional information identifying why the Health and Human Services Agency is recommending this contract amendment with the California Tahoe Emergency Services Operations Authority (Cal Tahoe).

Section VIII, Article VII (Compensation for Services), Subsection A., of Contract for Services #017-111-P-E2011 between the County of El Dorado and the Cal Tahoe allows either party to request that the other party meet and confer regarding terms of the contract in the event significant circumstances beyond the reasonable control of either party dramatically increases or decreases expenses or revenues. Pursuant to this Contract provision, Cal Tahoe requested a meet and confer on various Contract terms by letter dated September 30, 2014.

Cal Tahoe alleged that significant circumstances beyond its control caused a dramatic increase in its operating costs. County agreed to meet and confer with regard to two contract issues, namely the increase in dispatch costs and the increase in inter-facility transfers (IFTs).

Cal Tahoe and County met and conferred and determined that the increase in dispatch costs and the increase in IFTs warranted an adjustment to the compensation to Cal Tahoe. After meeting and conferring, the parties agreed to increase the annual dispatch costs by \$60,000 per year for the remainder of the term of the Contract in order to resolve this matter. The parties also have determined that the increase in IFTs has resulted in an acceleration of the wear and tear on the ambulances, which, in turn, significantly accelerated the replacement schedule for the ambulances and therefore the parties have determined that the one time replacement of one medic unit will cost approximately \$160,000.

Please let me know if you have any questions or require additional information.

- c. Michael Ciccozzi, County Counsel  
Richard Todd, EMS Administrator