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AGREEMENT FOR LEGAL SERVICES BETWEEN
EL DORADO COUNTY AND
MEYERS, NAVE, RIBACK, SILVER & WILSON

This Agreement is made and entered into between COUNTY OF EL DORADO, a political subdivision of the State of California, (the “Client”) and MEYERS, NAVE, RIBACK, SILVER & WILSON (“Attorney”), a law firm duly authorized to do business in the State of California, whose address is 555 12th Street, Suite 1500, Oakland, California 95607.

1. Scope of Services. Client hereby retains Attorney to assist Client with respect to Client’s public works project commonly known as the Silva Valley Parkway Interchange, including, but not limited to, providing legal advice on project issues, funding issues, property acquisition matters and any other facet of the project, and to prepare and file on behalf of Client litigation where necessary inclusive of eminent domain proceedings. For purposes of this Scope of Services, the “litigation” shall include all necessary and related court proceedings inclusive of mediation and arbitration, and any and all associated pleadings and documents including, but not limited to, points and authorities and references to the record. Attorney may also provide such additional services as may be mutually agreed to in writing by the parties.

2. Compensation. Clients shall compensate Attorney for professional services rendered at the respective hourly rates of the individuals employed by Attorney as set forth in Attachment 1 to this Agreement. Attorney shall keep proper records to enable Client to verify the services rendered, and such records shall be made reasonably available to Client or their agents for inspection and audit.

3. Cost Reimbursement. In addition to the above, Client shall reimburse Attorney for the actual, reasonable and necessary expense of travel in accordance with the policies of El Dorado County set forth in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference. Any individual travel expense which will exceed \$100.00 must be approved by Client in advance. Client shall reimburse Attorney for the reasonable costs of long distance

1 telephone calls, mailing, photocopying, legal research on electronic databases, and, upon prior
2 approval, for extraordinary photocopying and extraordinary facsimile transmissions. Other
3 reasonable, customary and necessary expenses, including but not limited to, statutory fees,
4 witness fees, reporters' per diem and transcription fees, jury fees, and expenses of serving
5 process, shall be advanced by Attorney and reimbursed by Client. Expert consultants, expert
6 witnesses, and appraisers may be retained by Attorney on terms acceptable to Client. Such
7 expert consultants, expert witnesses, and appraisers shall invoice Attorney. Attorney may
8 submit approved invoices in excess of \$750.00 to Client in special billings for expedited
9 payment, to be deposited in Attorney's trust account for payment from Attorney to said expert
10 consultants, expert witnesses, and appraisers.

11 4. Billings. Attorney shall submit to Client for review and approval a
12 confidential itemized statement of services rendered and costs incurred under this Agreement
13 monthly. Such statement shall describe the nature of the services rendered, and specify the
14 time expended in rendering such services, calculated in one-tenth (.1) hour segments.
15 Provided, however, that in Attorney's discretion, such statements need not be submitted until
16 the total amount due exceeds five hundred (\$500.00) dollars. The statement rendered to
17 Client shall contain a statement of all services provided under this Agreement since the last
18 statement.

19 5. Independent Contractor. Attorney and all persons who perform services for or
20 through Attorney pursuant to this Agreement shall be an independent contractor and shall not
21 be deemed to be an employee of Client for any purpose.

22 6. Standards of Performance. Attorney and every employee thereof shall provide
23 their services, advice and any reports in full compliance with all applicable law and
24 professional standards. Attorney represents that it is specially trained, experienced, expert
25 and competent to perform the services required under this Agreement, and that each
26 individual providing legal services is a member in good standing of the State Bar and is
27 licensed to practice in California. Further, Attorney certifies that it will not accept
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1 representation in any matters, including litigation, under this Agreement if it or any employee
2 thereof has any personal or financial interest therein.

3 7. Qualifications. Attorney certifies that it accepts this retention because it has
4 the time, energy, skills and ability necessary to perform the duties required in an efficient,
5 trustworthy, professional and businesslike manner. It is understood that the services under
6 this Agreement must be provided immediately, and that they are time-critical. Attorney is
7 engaged by Clients for its unique qualifications and skills. Attorney shall not subcontract,
8 delegate or assign the services to be provided under this Agreement, in whole or in part, to
9 any other person or entity not employed in Attorney's firm without consent of Client.

10 8. Insurance. Attorney shall continuously maintain, and shall provide proof of,
11 insurance in a form acceptable to Client to be in full force and effect from the first day of the
12 term of this Agreement, as set forth below:

13 a. Full Worker's Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance
14 covering all employees of law firm as required by law in the State of California.

15 b. Commercial General Liability Insurance of not less than \$1,000,000
16 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.

17 c. Automobile liability insurance of not less than \$500,000 is required in
18 the event motor vehicles are used by Attorney in the performance of the contract.

19 d. Professional liability (for example, malpractice insurance) covering
20 services provided under this Agreement is required with a limit of liability not less than
21 \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

22 e. Attorney shall furnish a certificate of insurance satisfactory to the
23 Client as evidence that the insurance required above is being maintained.

24 f. The insurance will be issued by an insurance company acceptable to
25 Client, or be provided through partial or total self-insurance likewise acceptable to Client.

26 g. Attorney agrees that the insurance required above shall be in effect at
27 all times during the term of this Agreement. In the event said insurance coverage expires at
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1 any time or times during the term of this Agreement, Attorney agrees to provide at least thirty
2 (30) days prior to said expiration date, a new certificate of insurance evidencing insurance
3 coverage as provided for herein for not less than the remainder of the term of the Agreement,
4 or for a period of not less than one year. New certificates of insurance are subject to the
5 approval of Client. In the event Attorney fails to keep in effect at all times insurance
6 coverage as herein provided, Client may, in addition to any other remedies it may have,
7 terminate this Agreement upon the occurrence of such event.

8 h. The certificate of insurance must include the following provisions
9 stating that:

10 1. The insurer will not cancel the insured's coverage without thirty
11 (30) days prior written notice to the Client; and

12 2. The Client, their officers, officials, employees, and volunteers
13 are included as additional insured, but only insofar as the operations under this Agreement are
14 concerned. This provision shall apply to all liability policies except worker's compensation
15 and professional liability insurance policies.

16 i. Attorney's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects
17 the Client, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance
18 maintained by the Client, their officers, officials, employees or volunteers shall be excess of
19 Attorney's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

20 j. Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and
21 approved by the Client. At the option of the Client, either: the insurer shall reduce or
22 eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects the Client, their officers,
23 officials, employees, and volunteers; or Attorney shall procure a bond guaranteeing payment
24 of losses and related investigations, claim administration and defense expense.

25 k. Any failure to comply with the reporting provisions of the policies shall
26 not affect coverage provided to the Client, their officers, officials, employees or volunteers.

1 l. The insurance companies shall have no recourse against the Client,
2 their officers and employees or any of them for payment of any premiums or assessments
3 under any policy issued by any insurance company.

4 m. Attorney's obligations shall not be limited by the foregoing insurance
5 requirements and shall survive the expiration of this Agreement.

6 n. In the event Attorney cannot provide an occurrence policy, Attorney
7 shall provide insurance covering claims made as a result of performance of this Agreement
8 for not less than three years following completion of performance of this Agreement.

9 o. The certificate of insurance shall meet such additional standards as may
10 be determined by the Client as essential for protection of the County.

11 9. Standard of Liability. Client understands and acknowledges that the
12 performance of the services provided for herein may invite criticism, controversy, or litigation
13 which may be motivated by public or private opposition although not based on the adequacy
14 or accuracy of Attorney's performance. Client agrees that any such criticism, controversy, or
15 litigation alone shall not cause Client to withhold payments due to Attorney hereunder. Client
16 further agrees that the mere failure of Client or any third party, including a court in litigation,
17 to agree with Attorney's findings, conclusions, or recommendations alone shall not be
18 construed as a failure on the part of Attorney to perform its obligations under this Agreement,
19 or to meet the standard of care this Agreement requires.

20 10. Attorney-Client Relationship. Attorney agrees that it will comply with all
21 ethical duties, will maintain the integrity of the attorney-client relationship, and will take all
22 steps available to preserve all applicable legal privileges, confidences, and records from
23 disclosure. All documents and information obtained by or generated by Attorney pursuant to
24 this Agreement, all opinions and conclusions of Attorney, any reports, information, data,
25 statistics, forms, procedures, systems, studies and all communications with Client, are
26 confidential. Attorney agrees to take all steps reasonably necessary to maintain this
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1 confidentiality. Attorney is responsible for insuring that it and all of its employees faithfully
2 adhere to the confidentiality requirements of law and this Agreement.

3 11. Ownership of Documents. All documents and writings prepared by or for
4 Attorney in the course of performing this Agreement shall become Client's property
5 immediately and Client shall have the right to use such materials in their discretion without
6 notice or compensation to Attorney or anyone else other than compensation provided under
7 this Agreement.

8 12. Notification of Conflict. Attorney shall immediately notify Client if any
9 services to be performed under this Agreement involve an actual or potential conflict of
10 interest, financial or otherwise. Attorney shall not engage in any activity under this
11 Agreement that involves any actual or potential conflict of interest unless Attorney first makes
12 a full and complete disclosure of all relevant facts and obtains a written waiver of such
13 conflict in advance from Client.

14 13. Indemnity. Attorney shall be responsible for performing the work under this
15 Agreement a safe, professional, skillful and workmanlike manner, and shall be liable for its
16 own negligence and the negligent acts of its employees. To the fullest extent allowed by law,
17 Attorney shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Client against and from any and all
18 claims, suits, losses, damages, and liability for damages of every name, kind and description,
19 including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs incurred, which are claimed to or in any way
20 arise out of, directly or indirectly, or are connected with: (1) any negligent act, whether
21 passive or active, error or omission, or willful misconduct, of Attorney, its subcontractor(s),
22 agents or employee(s) or any of these; or (2) any breach of any statutory, regulatory,
23 contractual or legal duty of any kind related, directly or indirectly, to the services,
24 responsibilities or duties required of Attorney by this Agreement. This duty of Attorney to
25 indemnify and save County harmless includes the duties to defend set forth in California Civil
26 Code section 2778.

1 14. Term. The term of this Agreement shall commence on November 13, 2012,
2 and shall remain in effect until terminated or until all work contemplated hereunder shall be
3 completed. This Agreement shall be terminable by Client at any time and for any reason, or
4 without cause. Attorney may terminate this Agreement upon sufficient written notice to
5 Client, made in such a manner so that the Client shall not be prejudiced, but in no event less
6 than thirty (30) days notice. Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, Attorney
7 shall immediately cease all work, except as may be reasonably required to avoid prejudice to
8 Client which shall be immediately reported to Client, shall immediately transfer all files
9 relating to Client's matters either to Client or any other lawyer hired by Client, at Client's
10 direction, and within ten (10) days shall provide a final bill to Client for all services rendered.
11 The obligation of confidentiality shall continue and shall not terminate when this Agreement
12 ends. Attorney shall take all steps necessary to ensure smooth transition to any other counsel
13 which may be designated by Client.

14 15. State Filing. All independent consultants providing services to the Client must
15 file a State of California Form 590 certifying their California residency or, in the case of a
16 corporation, certifying that it has a permanent place of business in California. Attorney will
17 be required to submit a Form 590 prior to execution of this Agreement or Client shall
18 withhold seven (7) percent of each payment to be made to Attorney during the term of this
19 Agreement. Attorney's taxpayer identification number is 94-3050358.

20 16. Contract Administrator. For the purpose of administering this Agreement,
21 Client's contract administrator shall be Patricia Beck, Principal Assistant County Counsel, or
22 successor. Notices provided pursuant to this Agreement shall be effective immediately upon
23 receipt and shall be directed as follows:

24 For Client: Patricia Beck
25 Principal Assistant County Counsel
26 Office of County Counsel
27 County of El Dorado
28 330 Fair Lane
 Placerville, California 95667

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For Attorney: Brenda Aguilar-Guerrero
Meyers, Nave, Riback, Silver & Wilson
555 12th Street, Suite 1500
Oakland, California 94607

17. Entire Agreement. This Agreement and the exhibits thereto are the entire agreement between the parties and they supersede all prior written or oral agreements or understandings between the parties. This Agreement may be modified only with the consent of the parties in writing fully executed by duly authorized officers of the parties.

18. Venue. Any dispute resolution action arising out of this Agreement, including but not limited to litigation, mediation or arbitration, shall be brought in El Dorado County, California, and shall be resolved in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

19. Counter-parts. This Agreement may be executed in counter-parts which together shall constitute the entire agreement.

Dated: _____ COUNTY OF EL DORADO

By: _____
John Knight, Chairman
Board of Supervisors
"Client"

Attest: James S. Mitrison
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Dated: _____ MEYERS, NAVE, RIBACK, SILVER & WILSON

By: _____
"Attorney"
State Bar Number

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ATTACHMENT 1

**MEYERS, NAVE, RIBACK, SILVER & WILSON
RATE SHEET**

Sr. Principal	350
Principals/Sr. Of Counsel	325
Of Counsel/Sr. Associates	275
Associates	225
Paralegal	145

Hourly rates set forth above are reviewed and amended annually in January of each year.



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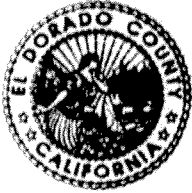
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BACKGROUND:

This policy applies to County officers and employees as well as members of boards and commissions required to travel in or out of county for the conduct of County business. This policy also provides for expenses of public employees from other jurisdictions when specifically referenced in policy provisions set forth below.

For ease of reference, the Travel Policy is presented in the following sections:

1. General Policy
2. Approvals Required
3. Travel Participants and Number
4. Mode of Transport
5. Reimbursement Rates
 - a. Maximum Rate Policy
 - b. Private Auto
 - c. Meals
 - d. Lodging
 - e. Other
6. Advance Payments
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8. Procedures



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POLICY:

1. General Policy

- a. County officers and employees should not suffer any undue loss when required to travel on official County business, nor should said individuals gain any undue benefit from such travel.
- b. County officers or employees compelled to travel in the performance of their duties and in the service of the County shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses for transportation, parking, tolls, and other reasonable incidental costs, and shall be reimbursed within maximum rate limits established by the Board of Supervisors for lodging, meals, and private auto use. "Actual and necessary expenses" do not include alcoholic beverages.
- c. Travel arrangements should be as economical as practical considering the travel purpose, traveler, time frame available to accomplish the travel mission, available transportation and facilities, and time away from other duties.
- d. Employees must obtain prior authorization for travel, i.e., obtain approvals before incurring costs and before commencing travel.
- e. Receipts are required for reimbursement of lodging costs, registration fees, public transportation and for other expenses as specified, or as may be required by the County Auditor-Controller.



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- f. Requests for travel authorization and reimbursement shall be processed using forms specified by the County Auditor and Chief Administrative Office.
- g. The Chief Administrative Officer may, at his or her sole discretion, authorize an exception to requirements set forth in this Travel policy, based on extenuating circumstances presented by the appropriate, responsible department head. Any exception granted by the Chief Administrative Office is to be applied on a case-by-case basis and does not set precedent for future policy unless it has been formally adopted by the Board of Supervisors.

2. Approvals Required

- a. Department head approval is required for all travel except by members of the County Board of Supervisors. Department heads may delegate approval authority when such specific delegation is approved by the Chief Administrative Officer. However, it is the expectation of the Chief Administrative Officer that department heads take responsibility for review and approval of travel.
- b. Chief Administrative Office approval is required when travel involves any of the following:
 - (1) Transportation by common carrier (except BART), e.g., air, train, bus.
 - (2) Car rental.



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- (3) Out-of-county overnight travel.
 - (4) Members of boards or commissions, or non-county personnel.
 - (5) Any exceptions required for provisions within this policy, e.g., travel requests not processed prior to travel, requests exceeding expense guidelines or maximums.
- c. It remains the discretion of the Chief Administrative Officer as to whether or not costs of travel which were not authorized in advance will be reimbursed, and whether or not exceptional costs will be reimbursed.
3. Travel Participants and Number
- a. Department heads and assistants should not attend the same out-of-county conference; however, where mitigating circumstances exist, travel requests should be simultaneously submitted to the Chief Administrative Office with a justification memorandum.
 - b. The number of travel participants for each out-of-county event, in most instances, should be limited to one or two staff members, and those individuals should be responsible for sharing information with other interested parties upon return.
 - c. If out-of-county travel involves training or meetings of such technical nature that broader representation would be in the best interest of the County, the department head may submit a memo explaining the situation to the Chief Administrative Office, attached to travel requests, requesting authorization for a group of travelers.



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d. Non-County personnel travel expenses are not normally provided for since only costs incurred by and for county officers and employees on county business are reimbursable. However, reimbursement is allowable for county officers (elected officials and appointed department heads) and employees who have incurred expenses for non-county staff in the following circumstances.

- (1) Meals for persons participating on a Human Resources interview panel when deemed appropriate by the Director of Human Resources.
- (2) Conferences between County officials and consultants, experts, and public officials other than officers of El Dorado County, which are for the purpose of discussing important issues related to County business and policies.
- (3) Transportation expenses for a group of County officers and employees and their consultants, and experts on a field trip to gain information necessary to the conduct of County business.
- (4) Lodging expenses for non-county personnel are NOT reimbursable except when special circumstances are noted and approved in advance by the Chief Administrative Office. Otherwise, such expenses must be part of a service contract in order to be paid.

4. Mode of Transport

- a. Transportation shall be by the least expensive and/or most reasonable means available.



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- b. Private auto reimbursement may be authorized by the department head for county business travel within county and out of county. Reimbursement shall not be authorized for commuting to and from the employee's residence and the employee's main assigned work site, unless required by an executed Memorandum of Understanding between the County and a representing labor organization, or one-time, special circumstances approved by a department head.
- c. Out of county travel by county vehicle or private vehicle may be authorized if the final destination of the trip does not exceed a four (4) hour driving distance from the County offices. Any exception to this policy must receive prior approval from the Chief Administrative Officer. If air travel would be more economical, but the employee prefers to drive even though travel by car would not be in the County's best interest, the County will reimburse transportation equal to the air travel; transportation costs over and above that amount, as well as any extra days of lodging and meals, etc., will be considered a personal, not reimbursable cost of the traveler.
- d. Common carrier travel must be in "Coach" class unless otherwise specifically authorized in advance by the Chief Administrative Officer. Generally, any costs over and above coach class shall be considered a personal, not reimbursable expense of the traveler.
 - (1) Rental cars may be used as part of a trip using public transportation if use of a rental car provides the most economical and practical means of travel. The use of a rental car must be noted on the Travel Authorization in advance and authorized by the Department Head



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and Chief Administrative Officer. Justification for the use of the rental car must accompany that request. Rental car costs will not be reimbursed without prior authorization except in the case of emergencies. Exceptions may be granted at the sole discretion of the Chief Administrative Officer or designated CAO staff.

5. Reimbursement Rates

- a. a. Maximum rates for reimbursement may not be exceeded unless due to special circumstances documented by the department head and approved by the Chief Administrative Officer. The amount of any reimbursement above the maximum shall be at the sole discretion of the Chief Administrative Officer.

- b. Private Auto

Travel by private auto in the performance of "official County business" shall be reimbursed at the Federal rate as determined by the Internal Revenue Service.

Mileage for travel shall be computed from the employee's designated work place. If travel begins from the employee's residence, mileage shall be calculated from the residence or work place, whichever is less. (For example, an employee who lives in Cameron Park and drives to a meeting in Sacramento, leaving from the residence will be paid for mileage from the residence to Sacramento and back to the residence.)

The mileage reimbursement rate represents full reimbursement, excluding snow chain installation and removal fee, for expenses incurred by a County



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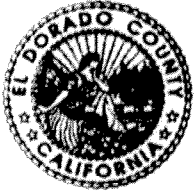
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officer or employee (e.g., fuel, normal wear and tear, insurance, etc.) during the use of a personal vehicle in the course of service to El Dorado County.

c. Meals

Actual meal expenses, within maximum allowable rates set forth below, may be reimbursed routinely out-of-county travel, and for in-county overnight travel. Meals will not be provided for in-county travel or meetings which do not involve overnight lodging, unless special circumstances are involved such as the following:

- (1) When meals are approved as part of a program for special training sessions, conferences, and workshops;
- (2) When employees traveling from the western slope of the county to Lake Tahoe and vice-versa are required to spend the entire work day at that location;
- (3) When the Director of Human Resources deems it appropriate to provide meals to a Human Resources interview panel;
- (4) When Senior Managers and/or Executives of El Dorado County or the El Dorado County Water Agency meet with executives of other governmental agencies, community organizations, or private companies in a breakfast, lunch or dinner setting in order to conduct County business. While such meetings are discouraged unless absolutely necessary to the efficient conduct of County or Water Agency business, such expenses for County managers require approval by the Chief Administrative Officer.



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Actual costs of meals may be reimbursed up to a total of \$40 per day without regard to how much is spent on individual meals (e.g., breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks), and without receipts. If an employee is on travel status for less than a full day, costs may be reimbursed for individual meals within the rates shown below.

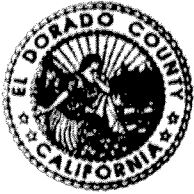
Breakfasts may be reimbursed only if an employee's travel consists of at least 2 hours in duration before an employee's regular work hours. Dinner may be reimbursed if travel consists of at least 2 hours in duration after an employee's regular work hours.

Maximum Allowable Meal Reimbursement

Breakfast	\$8.00
Lunch	\$12.00
Dinner	\$20.00
Total for full day	\$40.00/day

d. Lodging

- (1) Lodging within county may be authorized by a department head if assigned activities require an employee to spend one or more nights in an area of the county which is distant from their place of residence (e.g., western slope employee assigned to 2-day activity in South Lake Tahoe).
- (2) Lodging may be reimbursed up to \$125 per night, plus tax, single occupancy. The Chief Administrative Office may approve extraordinary costs above these limits on a case by case basis when



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the responsible department head and Chief Administrative Office determine that higher cost is unavoidable, or is in the best interest of the County.

- (3) Single rates shall prevail except when the room is occupied by more than one County employee. However, nothing in this policy shall be construed to require employees to share sleeping accommodations while traveling on County business. In all travel, employees are expected to secure overnight accommodations as economically as possible and practical.
- (4) Lodging arrangements should be made, whenever possible and practicable, at hotels/motels which offer a government discount, will waive charges to counties for Transient Occupancy Tax, or at which the County has established an account. When staying at such a facility, the name of the employee and the department must appear on the receipt of the hotel/motel bill.

e. **Other Expenses**

All other reasonable and necessary expenses (i.e., parking, shuttle, taxi, etc.) will be reimbursed at cost if a receipt is submitted with the claim.

Receipts are required except for those charges where receipts are not customarily issued, for example, bridge tolls and snow chain installation and removal fees. When specific cost guidelines are not provided by the county, reasonableness of the expense shall be considered by the



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department head and Chief Administrative Officer before deciding whether to approve.

Reasonable costs for snow chain installation and removal may be claimed and reimbursed. The purchase cost of snow chains would not be an allowable charge against the county.

6. Advance Payments

The Auditor may provide advance funds for estimated "out of pocket" expenses up to seventy-five percent (75%), but no less than \$50.00. The "out of pocket" expenses may include meals, taxi and public transportation, lodging, parking, and pre-registration costs.

7. Compliance - Claimant Responsibility

It is the responsibility of the claimant to understand and follow all policies and procedures herein in order to receive reimbursement for mileage, travel and expense claims. Any form completed improperly or procedure not followed may result in the return of a claim without reimbursement.

8. Procedures:

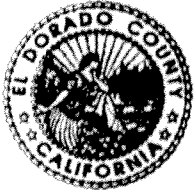
- a. Authorization to incur expenses must be obtained as set forth in this County policy, and as may be directed by the department.
- b. Requests for advance funds for anticipated travel expenses itemized on the Travel Authorization Request form are obtained by indicating this need on that form prior to processing the request.



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- c. Forms which require Chief Administrative Office approval should be submitted to the Chief Administrative Office, after department head approval, at least 7 to 10 days prior to travel to allow time for processing through County Administration and Auditor's Department.
- d. Cancellation of travel, requires that any advanced funds be returned to the Auditor Controller's office within five (5) working days of the scheduled departure date. If the advance is not returned within this time frame, the employee could jeopardize their standing to receive advances in the future.
- e. Travel Claims are due to the Auditor within 30 days after completion of travel. Personal Mileage and Expense Claims are due to the Auditor within 15 days after the end of each calendar month. The due date may be extended if deemed appropriate by the County Auditor. Claims must itemize expenses as indicated on claim forms, and must be processed with receipts attached.
- f. Reimbursements will be provided expeditiously by the County Auditor upon receipt of properly completed claim forms. The Auditor's Office shall promptly review claims to determine completeness, and if found incomplete, will return the request to the claimant noting the areas of deficiency.
- g. Personal Mileage and Expense Claim forms should be completed for each calendar month, one month per claim form. These monthly claims are due to the Auditor within 15 days following the month end; however, the deadline may be extended if deemed appropriate by the County Auditor. If monthly amounts to be claimed are too small to warrant processing at the



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end of a month (i.e., if cost of processing would exceed the amount being claimed), the claims for an individual may be accumulated and processed in a batch when a reasonable claim amount has accrued. In any event, such claims shall be made and submitted to the County Auditor for accounting and payment within the same fiscal year as the expense was incurred.

h. Expense Claim Form

For the purpose of travel and meeting expenses, the claim form is to be used for payments to vendors. The employee must obtain Department Head approval and submit the claim to the Auditor's Office within sixty (60) days of the incurred expense.