# EL DORADO COUNTY POOLED INVESTMENTS STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT POLICY

The County of El Dorado is a Charter County which invests its funds in accordance with the California Government Code.

The criteria of selecting investments and the order of priority are:

- 1. Safety of principal
- 2. Liquidity
- 3. Public Trust
- 4. Yield

Relative to safety, a heavy reliance will be placed upon government securities and real estate mortgage collateral.

Government bills, notes, and government agency paper guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States Government are considered to be the highest quality investments available.

For the uninsured portion of any investment, banks and savings and loans are required to pledge either blocks of Federal securities as collateral at 110% of the County's investment, or banks and savings and loans are required to pledge blocks of real estate mortgages as collateral at 150% of the investment. While the County recognizes that all investments carry a certain degree of risk, the Treasury attempts to minimize the risks relative to safety of principal.

The County attempts to schedule its maturities to meet anticipated cash needs.

All participants in the investment process shall seek to act responsibly as custodians of the public trust.

To maximize yields, El Dorado County utilizes computerized cash management reporting systems and compares offerings from more than one source. All measures of return on investment shall be based upon the overall portfolio performance, with individual investment (or investment type) performance being of secondary regard. Proper diversification should support this rationale.

# Reporting

On no less than a quarterly basis, the Treasury shall submit to the Board of Supervisors, the Treasury - Policy Oversight Committee, and the Chief Administrative Officer a report of investments. The County Oversight Committee shall cause an annual audit to occur.

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#### Investments

The County investment pool operates with many State and self-imposed constraints and does not buy stocks or deal in futures or options. The Treasury does not invest in inverse floaters, range notes, or interest-only strips that are derived from a pool of mortgages. Proceeds from Tax Revenue Anticipation Notes or Grant Anticipation Notes shall not be invested for a term exceeding the term of the note. No investment may exceed five years to maturity nor have an underlying investment in excess of five years. FDIC insured instruments and all instruments backed by the full faith and credit of the United States Government are permitted investments within the limiting constraints of the California Government Code.

#### Maximum Percentage/Portfolio

| a) US Treasury Notes, Bonds, Bills             | Unlimited %                                                       | Maximum 5 year term  |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| b) Bankers Acceptances                         | 40%, no more than 5% with any one bank*                           | Maximum 180 day term |
| c) Domestic Commercial Paper                   | 20% maximum, no more than 5% with any single issuing corporation* | Maximum 31 day term  |
| d) Negotiable Certificates of Deposit          | 30%, no more than 5% with any one bank*                           | Maximum 5 year term  |
| e) Certificates of Deposit, Non-<br>negotiable | Unlimited %                                                       | Maximum 5 year term  |
| f) Repurchase Agreement                        | Unlimited %, no more than 5% with any one company*                | Maximum 1 year term  |
| g) Agencies                                    | Unlimited %, no more than 5% with any one agency*                 | Maximum 3 year term  |
| h) Demand Deposit Savings<br>Accounts          | Unlimited %                                                       | Maximum 5 year term  |
| i) State Warrants                              | Unlimited %                                                       | Maximum 1 year term  |
| j) Local Agency Investment Fund                | Unlimited %                                                       | N/A                  |

Note: LAIF operates under GC sections 16429.1 and 16430, with investment policies and regulations that may differ from El Dorado County's.

k) Medium-Term notes of U.S.
Corporations & Depository
Institutions (and/or Corporate or
Bank notes) guaranteed by the
Federal Deposit Insurance
Corporation and issued under the
Temporary Liquidity Guarantee
Program (TLGP).

30%

Maximum 3 year term

 I) Commercial Paper under FDIC Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program.

## \*Per issuer limitations apply only at the time an investment is purchased.

Certificates of deposit, savings accounts, repurchase agreements, and bankers acceptances are insured or secured with collateral. Only domestic Commercial Paper with the highest letter and numerical ratings is purchased. The County recognizes that all investments carry a certain degree of risk.

## Safekeeping

All securities purchased shall be held in safekeeping by a third party custodian pursuant to an agreement between the custodian and the County Treasury. "Delivery versus payment" shall be used for securities transactions, and no security will be held by the broker/dealer from whom purchased.

#### Criteria for Broker Selection

Any broker, brokerage, dealer, or securities firm that has, within any consecutive 48-month period following January 1, 1996, made a political contribution in an amount exceeding the limitations contained in Rule G-37 of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board to the local treasurer, any member of the governing board of the local agency, or a candidate for those offices, shall not sell to (or purchase from) the County Treasury securities or other instruments.

# Criteria for Considering Agency Request to Withdraw from Pool

Pursuant to GC27136, depositors who seek to withdraw funds for investing or depositing those funds outside the County Treasury pool shall first submit the request for withdrawal to the County Treasurer in writing.

The County Treasurer will honor all requests to withdraw funds for normal cash flow purposes that are approved by the El Dorado County Auditor-Controller at a one-dollar net asset value.

Any requests to withdraw funds for purposes other than cash flow, such as external investing, shall be subject to the consent of the County Treasurer. In accordance with California Government Code Section 27136 et seq. and 27133(h) et seq., such requests for withdrawals must first be made in writing to the County Treasurer. These requests are subject to the County Treasurer's consideration of the stability and predictability of the Pooled Investment Fund.

Assessment of the effect of a proposed withdrawal on the stability and predictability of the investments in the Pooled Investment Fund will be based on the following criteria:

- 1) Size of withdrawal
- 2) Size of remaining balance of:
  - a) Pool
  - b) Agency
- 3) Current market conditions
- 4) Duration of withdrawal
- 5) Effect on predicted cash flows
- 6) A determination if there will be sufficient balances remaining to cover costs.
- Adequate information has been supplied to the County Treasurer in order to make a proper finding that other pool participants will not be adversely affected.

Note: To accommodate agencies with their own boards and with a desire for flexibility, withdrawals for the purpose of investing outside the County Pool will be permitted if an agency's balance of funds outside the County Treasury Pool does not exceed a total of \$115,000.00 at any time during the year. These small balances will be considered as not affecting the other pool participants. This total "not to exceed" is the total for the agency, not a total by fund. The balance remaining in the Treasury must not be in a negative (deficit) position or all funds must be immediately returned to the Treasury, and the privilege to withdraw any amount will be revoked and not reinstated for a period of six months. Any agency withdrawal of funds must comply with all government code sections related to withdrawal of funds, investment of funds, and bonding, as applicable.

For outside investors who utilize Government Code Section 53684, where the County Treasurer does not serve as the agency's treasurer, any withdrawal request must be made in writing 30 days in advance per Government Code Section 53684(d).

In no event shall funds be withdrawn that, in the judgement of the County Treasurer, will adversely affect the interest of the other participants in the pool.

# Criteria for Non-Statutory Agency Request to Participate in Pool

All entities qualifying under Government Code Section 27133(g) may deposit funds for investment purposes providing the following has been accomplished:

• The agency's administrative body has requested in writing the privilege, has agreed to all terms, conditions, rules, and regulations of existing participants as prescribed by the County Treasurer, and has delivered to the County Treasury a resolution identifying the authorized officer(s) acting on behalf of the agency.

As authorized under GC27013, the actual administrative cost of investing, depositing, cash handling, and other management costs associated with the accounting of funds, the deposit of funds, the reconciling of accounts, the interest apportionment, and the investment of funds for the pool will be apportioned among the depositors on the basis of each entity's average daily cash balance. For ease of accounting, all costs are offset against the interest earned before the interest is apportioned.

## **Apportioning Investment Losses**

Given the inherit risk of any investment, in the event of a loss, it will be recorded by apportioning the amount among the depositors on the basis of each funds investment earnings in the twelve month period immediately prior to and including the month of recognition. If a subsequent recovery occurs, either partial or complete, the recovery will be distributed among the depositors in the same proportion as the original loss was apportioned.

# Treasury - Policy Oversight Committee

The Treasury - Policy Oversight Committee is prohibited by law from directing the day-to-day operations of the Treasury, and a member of the committee or the Treasury may not:

- Receive honoraria, gifts, or gratuities in excess of the limits set forth in GC89503 as administered by the Fair Political Practices Commission.
- Be employed by an entity that has:
  - Directly or indirectly contributed to a candidate for Treasurer or contributed to the campaign of a candidate to be a member of the governing board of any local agency that has deposited funds in the County Treasury while a member of the Committee. (GC27132.1 and GC27132.2)
- Secure employment in the financial services industry while a member or for three years after leaving the Committee. (GC27132.3)