



Legislation Text

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Transportation recommending the Board consider the following:

- 1) Authorize the Chair to sign the Acquisition Agreement for Public Purposes and the Certificates of Acceptance for the related documents from Jesus Lemus, an Unmarried Man, and Maria Gonzalez, an Unmarried Woman, Together As Joint Tenants, for Assessor's Parcel Number 325-110-35; and
- 2) Authorize the Director of Transportation or designee to execute the escrow instructions and any other related escrow documents pertaining to the transaction, including payment of title and escrow fees, for the Green Valley Road at Weber Creek - Bridge Replacement Project, CIP No. 77114.

**FUNDING:** Highway Bridge Program Grant Funds and Regional Surface Transportation Program Rural Exchange Funds.

<b>BUDGET SUMMARY:</b>	
Total Estimated Cost.....	\$13,000
Budgeted.....	\$13,000
New Funding.....	
Savings.....	
Other.....	
Total Funding Available.....	\$13,000
Change To Net County Cost.....	\$0

**Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost**

Acquisition costs are \$9,900 with title and escrow fees estimated at \$3,100 for a total estimated cost of \$13,000. Funding for the acquisition process will be provided by Highway Bridge Program grant funds of 88.53% and the County's local match funds of 11.47% from the Regional Surface Transportation Program Rural Exchange funds.

**Background**

Green Valley Road is one of three east-west arterials in the West Slope area of El Dorado County, extending from the western County line to Placerville. The Green Valley Road at Weber Creek Bridge (Bridge) was constructed in 1926 and is a 20-foot wide, two lane, concrete "T" Beam structure that has been identified by California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) as structurally deficient (sufficiency rating of 22.5). Additionally, the Bridge does not meet current standards of roadway width and must be replaced because it cannot be rehabilitated.

The Green Valley Road at Weber Creek - Bridge Replacement Project is severely constrained due to the steep, wide ravine and the 90-degree turn at the south Bridge approach resulting in traffic and safety concerns. The Bridge is one of only three crossings over Weber Creek in the area and

provides an alternative route to U.S. Highway 50 and the Missouri Flat Interchange. Construction is expected to begin in the spring of 2014 and take approximately two years to complete.

The Project is subject to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The CEQA Mitigated Negative Declaration was approved by the Board on November 14, 2011 and the NEPA Findings of No Significant Impact was approved by Caltrans on January 27, 2012.

**Reason for Recommendation**

Negotiations have concluded with the property owners, Jesus Lemus, an Unmarried Man, and Maria Gonzalez, an Unmarried Woman, Together As Joint Tenants, and a settlement has been reached that is representative of the appraised value of the necessary land rights.

**Action(s) to be taken following Board approval**

1. The Clerk of the Board will obtain the Chair's signature on the Acquisition Agreement for Public Purposes and the Certificates of Acceptance for the fee and easements.
2. The Clerk of the Board will return all executed documents to Transportation for final processing.

**Contact**

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**Concurrences**

County Counsel