



Legislation Text

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Department of Transportation recommending the Board approve and authorize the Chair to sign a Budget Transfer amending the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Adopted Budget to accommodate the transfer of Encroachment Public Utility Inspection Fees from the Special Revenue Fund to the Department of Transportation. (4/5 vote required)

FUNDING: Encroachment Public Utility Inspection fees.

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND:

During FY 2018-19, Encroachment Public Utility Inspection Fees collected far exceeded the amount budgeted. Utilities are working in encroachment areas in record amounts as a by-product of the Camp Fire. All utility companies, especially PG&E, are clearing brush, performing improvements, and conducting maintenance within the County's right-of-way area. As a result, the budget for operating transfers is not enough to allow for the transfer of funds for the amount of staff work completed. In order to reimburse Road Fund for completed staff utility inspections, Transportation needs to amend the budget. This trend is expected to continue, and the Department will budget accordingly for Fiscal Year 2020-21 to account for this trend.

Budgeted revenues in the Encroachments Prepayment Special Revenue fund need to be increased in Public Utility Inspections by \$30,000, offset by an increase in Operating Transfers Out of \$30,000. This will allow the transfer of funds to the Transportation Engineering Org for utility inspections completed by staff. Revenues in the Transportation Engineering budget need to be increased in Operating Transfers In: Utility Inspections by \$30,000, offset by increased appropriations for expenses. Appropriations that were not used for expenses during the 2018-19 Fiscal Year will offset the Road Fund fund balance.

ALTERNATIVES:

Should the Board choose not to approve this Budget Transfer, Transportation would not be able to be reimbursed for completed utility inspections.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION:

N/A

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

N/A

CAO RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board approve this item.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

This item allows for revenues already collected to be transferred to Transportation for work completed. The increase in inspection fee revenue offsets the Road Fund

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

Clerk of the Board will obtain the Chair's signature on the attached Budget Transfer Request and forward to the Auditor-Controller's Office for further processing.

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT:

Good Governance

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