



# County of El Dorado

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## Legislation Text

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Community Development Agency, Transportation Division, recommending the Board consider the following:

- 1) Authorize the Chair to sign the Easement Acquisition Agreement for Public Purposes and the Certificate of Acceptance for the related documents from the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation, for Assessor's Parcel Numbers 033-020-03, 033-080-07 and 033-090-15; and,
- 2) Authorize the Transportation Division Director 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 Sawmill 2B Bike and Erosion Control Project, CIP No. 95192.

**FUNDING:** Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) Air Quality Mitigation Funds.

<b>BUDGET SUMMARY:</b>	
Total Estimated Cost.....	\$14,500
Budgeted.....	\$14,500
New Funding.....	
Savings.....	
Other.....	
Total Funding Available.....	\$14,500
Change To Net County Cost.....	\$0

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

Acquisition costs are \$12,000 with title and escrow fees estimated at \$2,500 for a total cost of \$14,500. Funding for the acquisition process will be provided by TRPA Air Quality Mitigation Funds.

### **Background**

The Transportation Division is working to advance the Sawmill 2B Bike Path and Erosion Control Project (Project), which will construct a new bike path and multi-use path along the south side of Sawmill Road that will connect to the County's Sawmill 1 Bike Path Project (CIP No. 95148) completed in 2009 and to the County's Sawmill 2A Bike Path and Erosion Control Project (CIP No. 95165) completed in summer 2012. The Project provides erosion control and water quality improvements, which reduce the discharge of sediment and pollutants into Angora Creek and Upper Truckee River, as well as a multi-use path for recreational purposes along Sawmill Road.

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 December 8, 2009 and the NEPA Categorical Exclusion was approved by Caltrans on November 30, 2010.

On March 8, 2011 the Board authorized the Transportation Division to proceed with the acquisition process for the land rights necessary for the construction and completion of the Project.

**Reason for Recommendation**

Negotiations have concluded with the property owner, the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation, and a settlement has been reached that is representative of the appraised value of the necessary land rights minus the estimated value of forestry work that the County performed on the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation property during the Sawmill 2A Bike Path and Erosion Control Project.

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

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

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**Concurrences**

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