

# County of El Dorado

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# Legislation Text

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Community Development Agency, Transportation Division, recommending the Board approve and authorize the Chair to sign the Certificate of Acceptance for the Quitclaim of Easement from Christine England and James Kessler to El Dorado County on the U.S. 50/Missouri Flat Road Interchange Improvements - Phase 1B Project, CIP No. 71336.

**FUNDING:** 2004 General Plan Traffic Impact Mitigation & Highway 50 TIM fees, American Recovery & Reinvestment Act, Master Circulation & Funding Plan, Regional Improvement Program, Road Fund/Discretionary, State Highway Operation and Protection Program Funds, and Transportation Community & System Preservation Funds. (Federal Funds)

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

There is no cost to have Christine England and James Kessler quitclaim their easement; therefore there is no fiscal impact or change to Net County Cost.

### **Background**

The Community Development Agency Transportation Division (Transportation) is currently in the process of finalizing the U.S. 50/Missouri Flat Road Interchange Improvements - Phase 1B Project (Project). As part of this process, Transportation is clearing title encumbrances on portions of land that the County acquired as part of the Project. These portions will be granted to the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) once the titles have been cleared.

The County acquired portions of 15 parcels for the project. On what is now County-owned assessor's parcel number 325-180-29, an access easement exists that was granted in 1971 to the owners of assessor's parcel number 325-180-11. Although this easement is no longer necessary for either property, the easement still clouds the title of the County-owned parcel. Christine England and James Kessler, current owners of APN 325-180-11, have signed the Quitclaim of Easement as it applies to the County-owned parcel.

#### **Reason for Recommendation**

Before the County can grant the parcels over to Caltrans, the County must clear the titles of the parcels of any and all encumbrances, including easements of utility companies.

#### Clerk of the Board Follow Up Actions

- 1) The Clerk of the Board will obtain the Chair's signature on the Certificate of Acceptance.
- 2) The Clerk of the Board will return all fully executed original documents to Transportation for final processing.

# Contact

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#### Concurrences

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**County Counsel**