



# County of El Dorado

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## Legislation Text

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Transportation Department recommending Resolution **158-2008** authorizing the Director of said Department to act as the authorized representative for the County for the purpose of obtaining financial assistance provided by the State of California Governor's Office of Homeland Security.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approve.

**FUNDING:** California Transit Security Grant Program-California Transit Assistance Fund.

BUDGET SUMMARY:		
Total Estimated Cost		\$25,000
Funding		
Budgeted	\$	
New Funding	\$	
Savings	\$	
Other*	\$25,000	
Total Funding Available	\$25,000	
Change To Net County Cost		\$0

\*will be included in the FY 2008-09 budget

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

The State of California Governor's Office of Homeland Security California Transit Security Grant Program-California Transit Assistance Funds (CTSGP-CTAF) is a jurisdictional allocation made available through the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA), sitting as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA). Approximately \$25,000.00 is available for Fiscal Year 2008-09. There is no Net County Cost.

### Background:

As part of the November 7, 2006 general election, voters approved Proposition 1B related to the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality and Port Security Bond Act of 2006, which authorizes the issuance of nineteen billion nine hundred twenty five million dollars (\$19,925,000,000) in general obligation bonds for specified purposes, including grants for transit system safety, security and disaster response projects. Section 8879.23 of the California Government Code creates the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality and Port Security Fund of 2006 in the State Treasury. Section 8879.23 (h) directs that one billion dollars (\$1,000,000,000) be deposited in the Transit System Safety, Security and Disaster Response Account. This Section further directs that one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) be made available upon appropriation by the Legislature to entities for eligible transit system safety, security and disaster response projects. The CTSGP-CTAF Grant Guidelines specify eligible projects including the following:

*(A) A capital project that provides increased protection against a security or safety threat, including, but not limited to the following:*

- 1) Construction or renovation projects that are designed to enhance the security of public transit stations, tunnels, guideways, elevated structures or other transit facilities and equipment.*
- 2) Explosive device mitigation and remediation equipment.*
- 3) Chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear explosives search, rescue or response equipment.*
- 4) Interoperable communications equipment.*
- 5) Physical security enhancement equipment.*
- 6) The installation of fencing, barriers, gates or related security enhancements that are designed to improve the physical security of transit stations, tunnels, guideways, elevated structures or other transit facilities and equipment.*
- 7) Other security related projects approved by the Governor's Office of Homeland Security.*

*(B) A capital project that increases the capacity of transit operators to prepare for disaster-response transportation systems that can move people, goods, emergency personnel and equipment in the aftermath of a disaster.*

**Reason for Recommendation:**

The State of California Governor's Office of Homeland Security requires the designation of an authorized representative, by resolution, to execute and submit agreements and associated documents with the CTSGP-CTAF. Funds appropriated for the CTSGP-CTAF total sixty million dollars \$60,000,000. Of these funds, fifty (50) percent shall be allocated to eligible agencies using the formula in Section 99314 of the Public Utilities Code, and fifty (50) percent shall be allocated to eligible agencies using the formula in Section 99313 of the Public Utilities Code, subject to the provisions governing the funds allocated under those Sections. Utilizing this formula, the Tahoe Basin was allocated \$70,949 for distribution to the California local jurisdictions which consist of El Dorado County, Placer County, and the City of South Lake Tahoe.

The TRPA, as the RTPA for the Tahoe Basin, is responsible for distribution of these funds, which is based on an established allocation formula. The County will utilize these funds to refurbish and provide for safety upgrades to the South "Y" transit center in cooperation with the City of South Lake Tahoe. The South "Y" transit center is a regional significant inter-modal transit facility utilized by all Blue Go partners including El Dorado County.

These funds are available following the County's approval of the attached resolution as well as the submittal of an application and execution of the appropriate agreements and associated documents, which the Department will bring to a future Board meeting for approval.

**Action to be taken following Board approval:**

1. The Board Clerk will obtain the Chairman's signature on the attached Resolution.
2. The Board Clerk will certify said Resolution and return a certified copy to the Department for submittal to the Governor's Office of Homeland Security.

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Concurrences: Approved by County Counsel