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Legislation Text

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Transportation Department Director, or his designee, requesting authorization to proceed with implementation of Mitigation Measure 6.3 required as part of the U.S. Highway 50/El Dorado Hills Boulevard Interchange Reconstruction Project, and recommending reimbursement of payments be authorized to the participating home owners.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve.

FUNDING: 2004 General Plan Traffic Impact Mitigation Fee Program

BUDGET SUMMARY:		
Total Estimated Cost		\$15,000
Funding		
Budgeted	\$15,000	
New Funding	\$	
Savings	\$	
Other	\$	
Total Funding Available	\$15,000	
Change To Net County Cost		\$0

Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost: Funding for this project has been included in the approved work program budget, identified as project number 71318. There is no cost to the County General Fund.

Background:

On May 23, 2000 the Board certified the Final Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment (EIR/EA) for the U.S. Highway 50/El Dorado Hills Boulevard Interchange Project. As part of the certification the Board approved Mitigation Measure 6.3 which recommended that the residences immediately adjacent to the sound wall be permitted to landscape the side of the sound wall facing their respective residences subject to preserving the structural integrity of the sound wall, and it states "Residents should be permitted to paint, apply surfacing to, or landscape the side of the barrier facing their property following the residents submission of a screening plan for approval by the County Department of Transportation (DOT). DOT should approve plans based on preserving the structural integrity of the barrier. Costs incurred by the resident for designing and implementing approved screening plans should be reimbursed by the County of El Dorado up to \$1,500 per dwelling unit, as compensation for out-of-pocket expenses incurred by residents choosing to implement such screening".

DOT has previously completed the Mitigation Measure 6.3 with the El Dorado Hills Townhouses

Association, and is now prepared to proceed with contacting the property owners on Kings Canyon Drive and Platt Circle who are also eligible for reimbursements under the Sound Wall Aesthetic Treatment Program.

Reason for Recommendation:

To fulfill the requirements of the final EIR Mitigation Measure 6.3, DOT is now prepared to work with the 10 individual home owners to implement the required mitigation measure. To enable construction of the sound wall, an area of 5 feet beyond the sound wall adjacent to the 10 home owners on Kings Canyon Drive and Platt Circle was acquired in order to construct the foundation. To fulfill Mitigation Measure 6.3, and to protect all parties interests, an Encroachment Agreement has been prepared and will be made available to the eligible home owners to enter into on a voluntary basis.

The individual home owners that wish to participate must submit a landscaping plan and DOT must approve all materials. By pre-approval of the landscape plans, any plant materials that might negatively affect the sound wall foundation would be prohibited; the County would still retain the right and responsibility to maintain the foundation of the sound wall, while the home owners would have the responsibility for maintenance of any landscape improvements.

Prior to approval for reimbursement, DOT must conduct an inspection of the individual home owners property and then again upon completion of the aesthetic treatments. The home owners must deliver to the County all receipts for the work performed, and sign a Mitigation Measure 6.3 Release provided by the County.

Action to be taken following Board approval:

Director of DOT or designee to proceed with implementation of Mitigation Measure 6.3 and the processing of reimbursement payments to the participating home owners.

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