

County of El Dorado

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Legislation Text

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Department of Transportation recommending the Board approve the attached budget transfer to establish appropriations in three new special revenue funds for State Regional Surface Transportation Program funds in FY 2021-22. (4/5 vote required)

FUNDING: State Regional Surface Transportation Program Funds.

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

The State Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) funding El Dorado County (County) receives is a lump sum payment from the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), which is provided in advance for designated transportation projects. RSTP advance funding is currently deposited and held within Road Fund.

RSTP monies need to be separated from Road Fund due to current and upcoming increased demands on Road Fund from Caldor Fire recovery operations and the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) project number 36105028, Mosquito Road Bridge at South Fork American River- Bridge Replacement. RSTP funding cannot be used for these activities and it has been determined that RSTP balances within Road Fund need to be placed into special revenue funds in order to facilitate the proper monitoring of the usage of Road Fund money. In addition, establishing special revenue funds for RSTP funding is necessary to facilitate proper accounting and reporting requirements for RSTP revenues and to establish auditable records of RSTP funding usage within the County's financial system.

This budget transfer would move previously received RSTP funds into three separate special revenue funds. A budget transfer is required to process residual equity transfers to move RSTP funds out of Road Fund and into the new RSTP special revenue fund. In addition, this budget transfer establishes appropriations for operating transfers out of the new special revenue funds and into CIP in order to provide revenue for CIP projects that are allocated RSTP funding in the 2021 CIP Book approved by the Board on June 8, 2021 (Legistar 21-0624, Item 54).

ALTERNATIVES

If the budget transfer is not approved, usage of RSTP funds will be more difficult to track and audit. Also, the Road Fund balance will not be reflected accurately.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION

N/a

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

Chief Administrative Office, Community Development Finance and Administration Division

CAO RECOMMENDATION / COMMENTS

Approve as recommended.

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FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no impact to the General Fund as a result of this proposed budget transfer. The Road Fund's fund balance will decrease when the proposed budget transfer is posted, but this needs to be completed to ensure that the RSTP funding only is spent on eligible projects and not co-mingled with discretionary Road Funds.

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

The Clerk of the Board will obtain the Chair's signature on the original budget transfer and will forward the budget transfer to the Auditor/Controller for processing.

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT

Good Governance

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