

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: May 11-12, 2011

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Action Item

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Subject: **FINANCIAL ALLOCATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENT AND MITIGATION
PROGRAM PROJECTS
RESOLUTION FP-10-27**

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve the following resolution, allocating \$1,420,000 for four Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation (EEM) Program Projects.

ISSUE:

The attached vote list describes four EEM Program projects off the State Highway System totaling \$1,420,000, plus \$20,076,328 from other sources. The agencies for these projects are ready to proceed and are requesting an allocation at this time.

The Budget Act of 2010 appropriates \$10 million for the EEM Program. This is the second allocation for \$1,420,000, which leaves a remaining balance of \$668,924 for future allocations.

FINANCIAL RESOLUTION:

Resolved, that \$1,420,000 be allocated from the Budget Act of 2010, Item 2660-101-0183, for four Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program projects, as described on the attached vote list.

Attachment

2.5 Highway Financial Matters

Project # Allocation Amount Recipient RTPA/CTC District-County	Project Title Location Project Description	Program Program Amt. Project ID/EA	Budget Year Item # Fund Type	Amount by Fund Type
2.5c.(7) Locally Administered Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Projects				Resolution FP-10-27
1 \$350,000 Humboldt County Resource Conservation District <u>Humboldt CAG</u> 01-Humboldt	Riverside Ranch Restoration. Restore or enhance 334 acres of coastal wetlands at Riverside Ranch, located on the Salt River near Ferndale by restoring tidal influence, restoring river and slough channels, and controlling invasives. Project will provide surplus mitigation for the filling of 5.4 acres of coastal wetlands by the Alton Interchange Project eight miles to the east. (Contribution from other sources: \$6,976,328.)	EEM/10-11 \$350,000 20-30	2010-11 101-0183 EEM	\$350,000
2 \$220,000 County of El Dorado Department of Transportation <u>El Dorado CTC</u> 03-El Dorado	US 50/Missouri Flat Road Interchange. Plant 900 additional native trees within the right of way of the US 50/Missouri Flat Road interchange. There will also be hydro seed of native grasses and forbs spread over the total project are of 3.64 acres. Deep root bubbler irrigation with a new water meter will be installed and used for the first three years of growth. Provides for additional native landscaping in the right of way area of a related Transportation Facility currently under construction. (Contributions from other sources: \$0)	EEM/10-11 \$220,000 20-31	2010-11 101-0183 EEM	\$220,000
3 \$500,000 The Nature Conservancy <u>KCOG</u> 06-Kern	Rudnick Ranch Acquisition. Acquire approximately 15,000 acres of Rudnick Ranch in the southern Sierra Nevada range. The Ranch supports 15,000 acres of intact chaparral, grasslands, oak woodlands, and riparian communities. Conservation of a key wildlife linkage, climate change adaptation, and building conservation partnerships. (Contribution from other sources: \$10,500,000.)	EEM/10-11 \$500,000 20-16	2010-11 101-0183 EEM	\$500,000
4 \$350,000 The Trust for Public Land <u>Calaveras COG</u> 10-Calaveras	Rodden Ranch Resource Lands Conservation Easement Project. Contribute towards an acquisition of a Conservation Easement on the 6,198-acre Rodden Ranch property in Calaveras and Stanislaus Counties. Protect key Central Valley foothill blue oak woodland, extensive wildlife corridor open space and historic grazing practices. (Contribution from other sources: \$2,600,000.)	EEM/10-11 \$350,000 20-33	2010-11 101-0183 EEM	\$350,000