# AGENDA ITEM 1 H Consent Item

# **MEMORANDUM**

DATE: November 2, 2023

TO: El Dorado County Transit Authority

FROM: Brian James, Executive Director

SUBJECT: El Dorado County Air Quality Management District AB2766 Grant

**Applications for County Fair Shuttle 2024 and 2025** 

#### **REQUESTED ACTION:**

**BY MOTION:** 

Adopt Resolution No. 23-25 authorizing the Executive Director to submit an application to the El Dorado County Air Quality Management District AB2766 Motor Vehicle Emission Reduction Grant Program

### **BACKGROUND**

The El Dorado County Air Quality Management District (EDC AQMD) published a request for proposals on September 11, 2023 to consider motor vehicle emission reduction projects funded with AB2766 Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) surcharge fees. Funding for this grant program is derived from vehicle registration fees authorized by EDC AQMD for Clean Air Act projects.

#### **DISCUSSION**

El Dorado Transit prepared one (1) grant application that meets the emission reduction objectives of the AB2766 DMV surcharge grant program. The project will be the El Dorado County Fair Shuttle in 2024 and 2025.

If approved for funding, the El Dorado County Fair Shuttle will reduce congestion, lower emissions related to excessive idling and provide a safe comfortable alternative to parking in and around the fairgrounds. The shuttle will provide a regional mitigation to traffic congestion on Placerville Drive and Highway 50 and will reduce pedestrian traffic along Placerville Drive.

With funding, parking and shuttle services will be provided beginning thirty (30) minutes before opening and ending thirty (30) minutes after closing on all four days of the County Fair's operations. The shuttle will be free to the public and will provide service from two (2) parking locations; the Library/Government Center on Ray Lawyer Drive, and the Ray Lawyer Drive Park & Ride on Forni Road. Shuttle buses will board and disembark Fair passengers at the front gate of the County Fairgrounds located on Placerville Drive. One (1) to five (5) transit vehicles

will be in simultaneous service during the Fair's hours of operation. Staff will evaluate service and will scale back the number of shuttle vehicles according to demand. El Dorado Transit will provide all drivers, support vehicles, relief vehicles, and support personnel necessary for shuttle operations.

This proposed project meets the EDC AQMD goal of "providing the most motor vehicle emission reductions at the most cost-effectiveness per ton of emissions reduced."

Staff requests that the Board adopt Resolution No. 23-25 authorizing the Executive Director to Submit an Application to the El Dorado County Air Quality Management District AB2766 Motor Vehicle Emission Reduction Grant Program.

# **FISCAL IMPACT**

TWO (2) YEAR COST SUMMARY (ESTIMATE)

AB2766 Grant Funds	\$64,000
Matching Funds – El Dorado County Fair	\$11,000
In-Kind Match – El Dorado County Fair	\$ 5,000
Total Project Cost	\$80,000

# EL DORADO COUNTY TRANSIT AUTHORITY RESOLUTION NO. 23-25

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EL DORADO COUNTY TRANSIT AUTHORITY TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL FOR ASSEMBLY BILL 2766 (AB 2766) MOTOR VEHICLE EMISSION REDUCTION PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the California Clean Air Act requires local air pollution control districts to reduce emissions from motor vehicles; and

WHEREAS, AB 2766, codified in California Health and Safety Code section 44223, authorizes districts to impose a fee of up to four dollars upon certain registered motor vehicles within the district, and the Governing Board of the El Dorado County Air Quality Management District (EDC AQMD) has imposed said fee; and

WHEREAS, said legislation requires the EDC AQMD to use said funds for activities related to reducing air pollution from motor vehicles and for related planning, monitoring, enforcement, and technical studies necessary for the implementation of the California Clean Air Act of 1988; and

WHEREAS, El Dorado County Transit Authority (El Dorado Transit) is an eligible applicant for AB 2766 projects; and

WHEREAS, the EDC AQMD has published a request for proposals for AB 2766 funding; and

WHEREAS, El Dorado Transit will prepare grant applications for projects;

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AND ORDERED,** that the Executive Director of the El Dorado County Transit Authority is hereby authorized and directed to submit proposals for Assembly Bill 2766, Motor Vehicle Emission Reduction Projects, and to execute all necessary actions to carry out the purpose of this resolution;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Brian James, Executive Director be the contact person for the El Dorado County Transit Authority, 6565 Commerce Way, Diamond Springs, California 95619, (530) 642-5383 extension 210, and that Brian James, Executive Director shall be authorized to execute all documentation resulting from these Applications;

**PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE EL DORADO COUNTY TRANSIT AUTHORITY** at a regular meeting of said Board, held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Day of November 2023, by the following vote of said Board: