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**TRIENNIAL GOAL SETTING FOR
PLACER COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) for
Federal Transit Administration (FTA)
(Group B – Region 9)**

**FISCAL YEARS
2015/16, 2016/17 and 2017/18**

GOAL SETTING METHODOLOGY – FTA
Section 26.45: Overall Goal Calculation

Amount of Goal

1. The COUNTY's overall goal for the following time period 2015/16 - 2017/18 is the following: 2.70% of the Federal financial assistance we will expend in FTA/DOT-assisted contracts. *Exclusive of FTA funds to be used for the purchase of transit vehicles.*
2. \$305,100 is the dollar amount of FTA/DOT-assisted contracts that the COUNTY expects to award during the next three Fiscal Years. This means that the COUNTY has set a goal of expending \$8,238 with DBEs during the above fiscal years/projects.

Methodology used to Calculate Overall Goal

Step One: 26.45(c)

Determine the base figure for the relative availability of DBEs.

The base figure for the relative availability of DBE's was calculated as follows:

$$\text{Base figure} = \frac{\text{Ready, willing, and able DBEs}}{\text{All firms ready, willing and able}}$$

Determine the total dollar amount of anticipated projects to be awarded in the next three years including both construction and consultant contracts. The Base Figure of 2.70% was determined using Census Bureau data, County Business Patterns (CBP), California Unified Certification Program (CUCP) database, and the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Codes; total number of establishments under the specific NAICS codes was obtained; using the DBE database Directory the total number of DBEs businesses available under the specific NAICS codes was obtained and calculated. The Total DBE firms obtained on the CUCP website (numerator) was divided by the Total Establishments obtained on the CBP (Census) website (denominator).

Resulting data was 'Weighted' on a project-by project basis from the Three-year anticipated budget, then considering the DBE availability relative to our anticipated contracting opportunities.

Projects % of total budget (x) Relative Availability (DBE firms/Total Establishments).

Step Two: 26.45(d)

After calculating a base figure of the relative availability of DBEs and in order to reflect as accurately as possible the DBE participation we would expect in the absence of discrimination we have adjusted our Overall Goal by 0%. We determined that no adjustment should be made since there has been no DBE participation in the past triennial goal period due to no contracts being issued.

We have determined that race-conscious means will be used to achieve all of the goal since we have no past participation in this prior 3-year goal period to use for analysis, therefore we must not proportion any of the goal to a race-neutral means.

If we obtain any DBE participation through race-neutral means, we will maintain the data separately and report it as such on the semi-annual reports.

Before establishing and submitting the overall goal, the COUNTY consulted by electronic method with various local organizations, DBE and NON-DBE firms, trade papers, and focus papers, to obtain information concerning the availability of disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged businesses, the effects of discrimination on opportunities for DBEs, and the COUNTY's efforts to establish a level playing field for the participation of DBEs. The COUNTY did not receive any comments or correspondence.

We published a public notice of the proposed overall goal, informing the public that the proposed goal and its rationale were available for inspection during normal business hours at our office for 30 days following the date of the notice and was available for review on the COUNTY website, it further informed the public that the COUNTY and FTA would accept comments on the goal for 45 days from the date of the notice. We issued this notice the first week in June 2015. The notice included the COUNTY address and the FTA address to which comments could be sent and addresses (including offices and websites) where the proposal could be reviewed. The COUNTY did not receive any comments or correspondence.

The COUNTY will begin using the overall goal on October 1 of the specified year (2015), unless we receive other instructions from FTA. If we establish a goal on a project basis, we will begin using our goal by the time of the first solicitation for a DOT-assisted contract for the project. Our goal will remain effective for the duration of the three-year period established and approved by FTA.

Public Participation:

The COUNTY consulted with various organizations to obtain information concerning the availability of disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged businesses, the effects of discrimination on opportunities for DBEs, and the proposed efforts to establish a level playing field for the participation of DBEs in the COUNTY's Triennial Over-All DBE Goal Calculation. The following organizations were consulted:

- Associated General Contractors of America (U.S. Organization)
- CMD Group (Trade Paper)
- C & S Publishing (Minority – Focus Paper)
- Construction Bid Source (Statewide Organization)
- Eldridge Bid Reporter (Focus/Trade Paper)
- Placer County Contractors Association (Community Organization)
- See additional list of DBEs from the CUCP website by applicable NAICS codes.

No comments were received.

COUNTY published the Over-All goal information in these publications:

- Goal methodology was published in following publications:
 - Auburn Journal (Local media paper)
 - CMD Group (Trade Paper)
 - C & S Publishing (Minority - Focus Paper)
 - Placer Herald (Local media paper)
 - Roseville Press Tribune (Local media paper)
 - Sacramento Bee (Local media paper)
 - Sierra Sun (Local media paper)

No comments were received.

The public notice along with all the backup and methodology was placed on the COUNTY website (06/08/15) for review and comments.

No comments were received.