



MEMORANDUM
OFFICE OF THE
COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER
COUNTY OF PLACER

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: David Boesch, County Executive Officer
By: James Importante, Management Analyst II
Date: December 10, 2013
Subject: Secure Rural Schools Self Determination Program Reauthorization

ACTION REQUESTED

Authorize the County Executive Officer to sign a letter confirming the County's elections for Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act payment for Federal Fiscal Year 2013.

BACKGROUND

The Secure Rural Schools & Community Self-Determination Act (HR 2389) was enacted in October 2000 to provide rural counties with a predictable level of funding for schools and roads for federal fiscal years 2001 through 2006, in order to offset the effect of decreased revenues to counties from declining timber harvests and other income generating activities on federal lands.

On October 2, 2013 the Secure Rural Schools & Community Self-Determination Act (SRS) was reauthorized for federal fiscal year 2013. This one-year reauthorization of SRS continues the administration process used last year whereby the selections of counties must be shared with the U.S. Forest Service by the governor of each eligible state.

On November 27, 2013, the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) began the process of compiling all county selection data for SRS payments. After receiving all selections from all SRS counties, CSAC will transmit the documents to the Governor, who is responsible for forwarding them to U.S. Forest Service. The Governor must submit the state's payment elections to the US Forest Service by December 31, 2013. The allocation letter electing the current funding allocation is attached.

In order to participate in the program, the County must provide its payment election to the Governor. There are two elections to be made; each eligible county must elect to either receive their county share of the SRS state payment or receive the 25% of receipts payment. Counties that elect to receive the SRS state payment must also elect how to spend their allocation between Titles I (county road fund/schools), Title II (Resource Advisory Councils), and Title III (fire-wise communities and county search and rescue). A county can choose to allocate 80-85% of funds to Title I. Of the remaining funds, at least 8% must be spent on Title II.

RECOMMENDATION

The United States Forest Service website identifies the County's 25% payment as \$223,233 (Attachment #2). The County share of the state payment is \$841,434 (Attachment #3). The County's share of the State payment substantially exceeds the 25% share. Therefore, staff recommends that the County opt for the share of the state payment, consistent with prior fiscal years.

Staff recommends no changes to the allocation of SRS, consistent with prior fiscal years since 2008:

1. 80% to Title I for schools and roads.
2. 13% to Title II for the County Resource Advisory Council.
3. 7% to Title III for discretionary projects which qualify under the terms of the Act.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no impact on the General Fund as a result of this action. The County uses SRS funding for one-time fire protection and transportation improvement projects countywide.

Attachments:

- SRS Reauthorization Election Letter to CSAC
- 2013 USFS Payment Notice
- 2013 Estimated 25% State Payment



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December 10, 2013

Ms. Cara Martinson,
California State Association of Counties
1100 K Street, Suite 101
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Elections for Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act Payment

Dear Ms. Martinson:

The Board of Supervisors for Placer County elects to receive their share of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act Payment according to the following allocation.

Title I allocation (Schools and Roads):	80%
Title II allocation (RACs):	13%
Title III allocation (County Projects):	<u>7%</u>
	100 % (total of Title I, II, and III)

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

COUNTY OF PLACER

David Boesch,
Placer County Executive Officer

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Secure Rural Schools Act, PL 110-343, projected FY2013 Forest Service Payments to States, as of September 30, 2013.
 (Does not include payments for O&C Lands administered by Bureau of Land Management in Oregon.)
 The FY2013 projected payments may differ from actual payments due to updates in factors such as per capita personal income (PCPI) and acres.
 The most recent PCPI (2011 data published by BEA in November 2012) was used in these computations. * The last year for TRANSITION PAYMENTS was FY2010.

Full Funding Amount: Fiscal Year:	\$500,000,000 FY2008			\$450,000,000 FY2009			\$405,000,000 FY2010			\$364,500,000 FY2011		\$346,275,000 FY2012		\$328,961,250 FY2013	
	Eligible County	FY2008 25% (7-year rolling average) Payment	County Share of State Payment	County Share of Transition Payment	FY2009 25% (7-year rolling average) Payment	County Share of State Payment	County Share of Transition Payment	FY2010 25% (7-year rolling average) Payment	County Share of State Payment	County Share of Transition Payment	FY2011 25% (7-year rolling average) Payment	County Share of State Payment	FY2012 25% (7-year rolling average) Payment	County Share of State Payment	FY2013 25% (7-yr Rolling Average) Projected Payment
CA Placer		\$1,531,673			\$1,378,506			\$1,242,357			\$986,283		\$883,272		\$841,434

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ESTIMATED FY2008 Equivalent 25% Payment to States, February 21, 2013

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ESTIMATED FY2012 equivalent 25-percent payment to states based on average annual receipts for FY2006-2012. February 21, 2013. Updated: 11/25/2013, llo

STATE	COUNTY	Estimated 7 year average annual receipts	Estimated county share of 25% payment	Total estimated 25% payment to state
California	Alpine	\$762,728	\$190,682	
California	Amador	\$564,887	\$141,222	
California	Butte	\$214,502	\$53,626	
California	Calaveras	\$185,255	\$46,314	
California	Colusa	\$14,884	\$3,721	
California	Del Norte	\$183,342	\$45,835	
California	El Dorado	\$3,606,824	\$901,706	
California	Fresno	\$1,579,778	\$394,945	
California	Glenn	\$46,718	\$11,680	
California	Humboldt	\$106,182	\$26,545	
California	Inyo	\$1,876,055	\$469,014	
California	Kern	\$227,217	\$56,804	
California	Lake	\$58,736	\$14,684	
California	Lassen	\$860,764	\$215,191	
California	Los Angeles	\$5,184,457	\$1,296,114	
California	Madera	\$757,861	\$189,465	
California	Mariposa	\$361,356	\$90,339	
California	Mendocino	\$41,038	\$10,260	
California	Modoc	\$341,540	\$85,385	
California	Mono	\$2,117,592	\$529,398	
California	Monterey	\$116,173	\$29,043	
California	Nevada	\$316,141	\$79,035	
California	Orange	\$478,315	\$119,579	
California	Placer	\$892,930	\$223,233	
California	Plumas	\$1,741,490	\$435,372	
California	Riverside	\$1,227,818	\$306,955	
California	San Bernardino	\$1,377,583	\$344,396	
California	San Diego	\$2,434,019	\$608,505	
California	San Luis Obispo	\$71,545	\$17,886	
California	Santa Barbara	\$235,276	\$58,819	
California	Shasta	\$2,044,266	\$511,066	
California	Sierra	\$744,290	\$186,072	
California	Siskiyou	\$2,770,050	\$692,512	
California	Tehama	\$429,993	\$107,498	
California	Trinity	\$1,529,611	\$382,403	
California	Tulare	\$912,707	\$228,177	
California	Tuolumne	\$1,413,090	\$353,273	
California	Ventura	\$220,160	\$55,040	
California	Yuba	\$68,988	\$17,247	
				\$9,529,041

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