

REPORT TO SHASTA COUNTY RTPA

SUBJECT	MEETING DATE	ITEM NUMBER
Shasta <i>FORWARD>></i> Regional Blueprint: Project Update, OWP Amendment, and Second Amendment to Vestra Resources Agreement	4/28/09	5

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Receive a Shasta*FORWARD>>* project update;
2. Amend the Overall Work Program (OWP) to include the FY 08/09 California State Regional Blueprint Program grant award in the amount of \$200,000; and
3. Amend the Agreement with Vestra Resources to include FY 2008/09 grant funds in the amount of \$30,000 for additional on-call services related to geographic information system (GIS) mapping and growth modeling.

SUMMARY

Modeling of the Board-approved alternative scenarios is currently underway. Results will be presented for Board consideration in July. A third regional blueprint planning grant was awarded to the Agency for grant cycle 2008/09. The Agency's FY 2008/09 OWP must be amended in order to accept grant funds. The existing Agreement with Vestra Resources needs to be amended to add a portion of the new grant funds for additional GIS mapping and growth modeling services.

DISCUSSION

Shasta*FORWARD>>* Project Update – As directed by the Board on February 24, 2009, modeling of the community's three alternative growth scenarios is currently underway. The task of modeling is an iterative, trial-and-error process aimed at translating the public's three approaches to accommodating growth and development into effective and realistic modeling inputs and assumptions.

The first round of modeling runs employed modest changes, beginning with adjustments to the weighting of attractions (such as streets and roads, water/sewer service areas, etc.) and discouragers (such as ag lands, environmentally sensitive lands, etc.). More assertive and directed inputs (such as the addition of policy-simulating attraction layers, zoning reclassifications, and changes to general plan land use category designations) are being selectively and progressively tested.

Ample consultation with the Shasta*FORWARD>>* Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and Steering Committee serves as validation of the technical approach and assures ongoing consistency with community values and priorities.

A presentation of the proposed final modeling outputs and performance measures is planned for the July 28 Agency meeting, at which time staff will recommend Board approval to proceed with the second phase of public outreach and the selection of a preferred regional growth vision. A final report containing findings and recommendations will be presented for Board consideration at the December 2009 Agency meeting.

FY 07/08 California Regional Blueprint Program Grant Award – In addition to and in support of regional blueprint grants awarded to the Agency in FY 2006/07 (\$375,000) and FY 2007/08 (\$140,000), the Agency was recently awarded a FY 2008/09 grant in the amount of \$200,000 (see attached letter of award). These grants fund the development of technical data modeling capabilities, and other deliverables

Although no FY 2008/09 grant funds will be expended in the current fiscal year, the Agency must amend the FY 2008/09 OWP in order to accept the award out of the current regional blueprint grant cycle (see attached Resolution 09-02). Unspent regional blueprint funds (e.g. all of the FY 2008/09 grant and the balance of unspent FY 2007/08 grant funds) will be carried over into the FY 2009/10 OWP.

Second Amendment to Agreement with Vestra Resources – The Shasta*FORWARD*>> regional blueprint is the first effort of its kind in the region. Because the level of effort and difficulty associated with technical modeling was largely unknown in the beginning, a portion of the Vestra Resources Agreement and corresponding budget was dedicated to on-call services. The regional growth modeling process – together with associated travel modeling, air quality modeling, and the generation of performance measures – has proven to be more time intensive than originally anticipated. A portion of the FY 2008/09 regional blueprint planning grant was awarded to supplement the technical modeling effort. A second amendment (see attached) to the Agreement with Vestra Resources will add \$30,000 from the FY 2008/09 blueprint grant for further on-call services related to the original Agreement's scope of work.

Regarding the FY 2008/09 OWP amendment, the Board may choose not to include the FY 2008/09 regional blueprint grant. This is not recommended as the Agency would be unable to claim the FY 2008/09 grant award.

Regarding the second amendment to the Agreement with Vestra Resources, the Board may direct staff to prepare a request for proposals (RFP). This is not recommended as needed services are direct extensions of work tasks outlined in the existing Agreement and are very near to completion.

The Shasta *FORWARD*>> project study area encompasses all of Shasta County, including each city, the county, and all other entities interested in transportation and regional growth. The California Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration administer the Blueprint program and provide grant funds.

All efforts referenced in this report are funded up to 80% through California Regional Blueprint Planning Program grants. \$375,000 was awarded to the RTPA in FY 2006/07, \$140,000 in FY 2007/08, and \$200,000 in FY 2008/09. The 20% required match funds are budgeted in the OWP using State Planning, Programming, and Monitoring (PPM) funds. Grant funds expended to date for Shasta *FORWARD* equal approximately \$400,000.

Daniel S. Little, AICP, Executive Director

Attachments: Regional Blueprint Program award letter (FY 2008/09 grant cycle)
Resolution 09-02 (OWP Amendment #2)
Work Element 720.01-.02 Budget Worksheet
Second Amendment to the Agreement with Vestra Resources
Letter of Support (Shasta LAFCO)

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February 9, 2009

Mr. Dan Little
Executive Director
Shasta County Regional Transportation Planning Agency
1855 Placer Street
Redding, CA 96001

Dear Mr. Little:

I am pleased to inform you that the grant application submitted by the Shasta County Regional Transportation Planning Agency (SCRTPA) has been selected for a grant award from the California Regional Blueprint Program for Fiscal Year (FY) 2008/09. These grants are funded with transportation planning dollars from the Federal Highway Administration. SCRTPA's grant award amount is \$200,000.

In accepting this grant, SCRTPA agrees to partner with the State and regional and local entities to achieve common goals to improve mobility and quality of life in California by both working toward completion of your Regional Blueprint Plan and helping to advance the practice of regional blueprint planning in California.

My staff will provide more details to help your agency develop its scope of work and amend the Regional Blueprint work element into SCRTPA's FY 2008/09 Overall Work Program. Please contact Garth Hopkins, Chief, Office of Regional and Interagency Planning, Division of Transportation Planning, at (916) 654-8175 if you have any questions regarding the Regional Blueprint Program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Will Kempton".

WILL KEMPTON
Director

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c: Honorable Jim Nielsen, Assembly District 2
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RESOLUTION 09-02
AMENDMENT #2 OF THE FY 2008/09 OVERALL WORK PROGRAM
TO ADD FY 2008/09 REGIONAL BLUEPRINT PLANNING GRANT AWARD

WHEREAS, the California Regional Blueprint Planning Program made funds available to Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO) in fiscal year 2008/2009 to better guide transportation investment decisions through enhanced inter-agency and public collaboration; and

WHEREAS, in a letter from the California Regional Blueprint Planning Program dated February 9, 2009, Shasta County RTPA was awarded \$200,000 in grant cycle 2008/09 to expand and enhance work tasks related to the Shasta *FORWARD*>> regional blueprint (Work Element 720.01-.02); and

WHEREAS, the regional blueprint program grants for cycle 2008/09 must be amended into the current fiscal year Overall Work Program (OWP); and

WHEREAS, a formal OWP amendment is required if there are substantive changes to the OWP that impact regional transportation planning activities; and

WHEREAS, the deadline for extending the current fiscal year's OWP has been extended to May 1 per the California Department of Transportation's Regional Planning Handbook dated February 27, 2009; and

WHEREAS, an amendment to the OWP requires an authorization of the governing board of the Shasta County RTPA; and

WHEREAS, work elements cannot be added/deleted/changed and funds cannot be added/deleted/redirected until the local Caltrans District Office approves the OWP amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Overall Work Program Agreement (OWPA) must be amended with the amended OWP.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Shasta County Regional Transportation Planning Agency hereby appends Amendment #2 to the FY 2008/09 Overall Work Program, thereby adding FY 2008/09 Regional Blueprint grant funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Amendment #2 shall be considered final and in full force and effect upon Caltrans's acceptance and approval of the OWP and execution of the OWPA.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of April, 2009, by the Shasta County Regional Transportation Planning Agency.

Dick Dickerson, Chair
Shasta County Regional
Transportation Planning Agency

AVAILABLE REVENUES BY SOURCE

SHASTA COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCY
2008 - 2009 OVERALL WORK PROGRAM
Available Revenue by Source
Amendment 1(a), 1(b), 2

Sources of Revenue:	Amount
Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) PL Funds 2008/2009 Allocation	\$ 593,221
Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) PL Funds - Carryover from Prior Years	\$ 41,951
<i>PL Funds - Amendment 1(b)</i>	\$ 101,850
Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Planning (Section 5303) Funds 2008/2009 allocation	\$ 57,261
Federal Transit Admin 5311 - <i>Amendment 1(a)</i>	\$ 115,000
Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5303 - Carryover from Prior Years	\$ 48,201
Transportation Development Act Funds (TDA)	\$ 315,782
<i>TDA- Amendment 1(b)</i>	\$ 13,195
Local In-Kind Match (Inkind)	\$ 33,122
State Planning Partnership	\$ 230,580
<i>SPR - Amendment 2</i>	\$ 200,000
Carryover to 2009/10	\$ (200,000)
Fix 5 SPR Carryover	\$ 131,312
Fix 5 - 2008/09 SPR	\$ 120,000
Programming, Planning and Monitoring (PPM) 2007/08 Allocation	\$ 70,000
Less PPM Reserved	\$ (70,000)
Prior Year Carryover = \$ 46,696	
Total Resources:	\$ 1,801,476
Total Expenses in OWP:	\$ 1,801,476
Difference between Revenues and Expenses	\$ -

**SECOND AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT BETWEEN
SHASTA COUNTY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCY AND
VESTRA RESOURCES, INC. TO INCREASE ON-CALL SERVICES BUDGET RELATED TO
THE Shasta*FORWARD>>* REGIONAL BLUEPRINT**

This second amendment is entered into between the Shasta County Regional Transportation Planning Agency ("RTPA") and Vestra Resources, ("Consultant").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the RTPA received a grant from the California Regional Blueprint Planning Program in FY 2006/07 to perform the Shasta*FORWARD>>* regional blueprint; and

WHEREAS, the RTPA and Consultant entered into an agreement on April 17, 2007, for geographic information system (GIS) and growth modeling services related to the Shasta*FORWARD>>* regional blueprint; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement was amended on April 22, 2008 in order to supplement the budget for on-call GIS and growth modeling services; and

WHEREAS, funds budgeted in the amended Agreement for GIS and growth modeling services will be fully expended before needed GIS mapping and growth modeling activities can be completed; and

WHEREAS, the RTPA received a grant from the California Regional Blueprint Planning Program in FY 2008/09 to continue GIS and growth modeling services related to Shasta*FORWARD>>*; and

WHEREAS, the RTPA and Consultant desire to amend the Agreement to add additional funds to the Agreement not to exceed \$30,000 for continuing on-call GIS and growth modeling services.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Agreement is amended as follows:

- 1) Attachment A, Part II, Cost Proposal shall be amended to add the following:

"After expenditure of the Agreement and First Amendment budgets, additional on-call services may be performed as directed by the RTPA, not to exceed \$30,000. Additional on-call services shall be billed according to Attachment D: Vestra 2009 Rate Schedule".

- 2) Attachment D: "Vestra 2009 Rate Schedule" (attached) shall be added to the Agreement.

I. REAFFIRMATION.

In all other respects, the Agreement, as amended, remains in full force and effect.

II. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

This Agreement, as amended, and any attachments hereto, constitute the entire understanding between County and Contractor concerning the subject matter contained herein.

III. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This Second Amendment shall be deemed effective as of the date it is signed by both parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Second Amendment to the Agreement.

**SHASTA COUNTY REGIONAL
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCY**

Date: _____

Dick Dickerson
Chair

VESTRA RESOURCES, INC.

Art Stackhouse
Vice President

Tax I.D.#: 680150306

Approved as to form:

Liz Johnson
SCRTPA Counsel

By: _____
Counsel



VESTRA 2009 RATE SCHEDULE

GIS Labor Classifications	Hourly Rate
GIS-1: GIS/GPS Technician	\$65.00
GIS-2: GIS Data Processor	\$75.00
GIS-3: GIS Analyst	\$85.00
GIS-4: Lead GIS Analyst / Programmer	\$95.00
GIS-5: Project Manager / Developer	\$105.00
GIS-6: Consultant / Lead Programmer	\$115.00
GIS-7: Senior P.M. / System Architect	\$135.00
GIS-8: Principal / Senior Consultant	\$155.00
Administrative Labor Classifications	Hourly Rate
Admin Sr. Clerk / Document Production	\$75.00
Equipment Classifications	Rate
Letter or legal size black & white copy or print	\$0.15 each
Letter or legal size color copy or print	\$.80 each
"B" size (11" x 17") black & white copy or print	\$0.20 each
"B" size (11" x 17") color print	\$1.20 each
"C" size (18" x 24") b&w or color print	\$4.00 each
"D" size (24" x 26") b&w or color print	\$8.00 each
"E" size (36" x 48") b&w or color print	\$15.00 each
Odd-size b&w or color prints	\$1.50 / sq ft
Vehicle mileage	\$0.55 / mile

Materials and Travel Expenses:

Billed as direct reimbursement plus 10%

Subcontractors: Billed as direct reimbursement plus 15%.

Terms: Due and Payable Upon Receipt. 1 ¾% per month (21% Per annum)
 finance charge will be added to any balance 30 days past due.
 Labor rates may be escalated annually up to 7.5% per year.

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Shasta Local Agency Formation Commission

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April 14, 2009

Dick Dickerson, Chair
Shasta County Regional Transportation Planning Agency
1855 Placer St.
Redding, CA 96001

Dear Mr. Dickerson,

As the Executive Officer of the Shasta Local Agency Formation Commission (Shasta LAFCO), please accept my support for the ShastaFORWARD>> regional blueprint effort. Although the final outcome of ShastaFORWARD>> is not yet known, there is clear and substantial overlap in our respective program objectives, including:

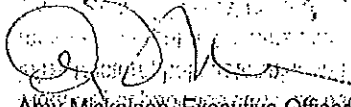
- Discouragement of urban sprawl,
- Protection of productive agricultural lands,
- Protection of open space lands,
- Protection of environmentally sensitive lands,
- Efficient delivery of community services and infrastructure, and
- Reconciliation of differences between local agency growth plans

In addition, we are greatly interested in the potential application of ShastaFORWARD>> regional growth modeling tools and new GIS data sets in the carrying out Shasta LAFCO responsibilities; in particular, those applications relevant to our review of municipal spheres of influence and prospective revisions to governmental boundaries. Modeling capabilities could be used to explore the impact of proposed annexations on local services and infrastructure; help determine the anticipated or most appropriate timing for changes in governmental boundaries; measure current or hypothetical urban expansion trends on regional land resources; and create a more informed and confident decision making process.

From a communication perspective, ShastaFORWARD>> creates a larger stage for city/county elected officials and community stakeholders to interact and build regional consensus. It also provides citizens an opportunity to familiarize themselves with the growth, development, and inter-jurisdictional issues facing their county.

No doubt there are further challenges and unexplored opportunities. I look forward to ongoing collaboration and coordination between Shasta LAFCO and the Shasta County RTPA.

Sincerely,



Amy Mickelson, Executive Officer

cc: Marilee Mortenson, Caltrans Regional Blueprint Project Manager

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