

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: Auditor-Controller

BOARD AGENDA # *B-2

Urgent

Routine

AGENDA DATE May 20, 2008

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

SUBJECT:

Approval to Authorize the Auditor-Controller to Advance Funds to Oakdale Rural Fire District for Operational Expenses Under Government Code 23010 in an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,445,000

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Authorize the Auditor-Controller to advance funds to Oakdale Rural Fire District for operational expenses under Government Code 23010 in an amount not to exceed \$1,445,000.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Government Code Section 23010 permits the County to lend available funds to fire protection districts in order for them to perform their functions and meet their obligations, in an amount not to exceed 85% of the fire district's anticipated revenue for the fiscal year in which the loan is made or the ensuing fiscal year with funding to be repaid out of the district's revenue prior to the payment of any other obligation of the district.

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BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2008-349

On motion of Supervisor Grover, Seconded by Supervisor DeMartini

and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Grover, DeMartini and Chairman Mayfield

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: Monteith

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) X Approved as recommended

2) _____ Denied

3) _____ Approved as amended

4) _____ Other:

MOTION:

Christine Ferraro

ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

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FISCAL IMPACT (continued):

Government Code Section 23010 would permit a maximum advance of 85% of all the District's anticipated revenue. The District is requesting 85% of revenues, or \$1,445,000, to be advanced for the fiscal year of 2008-2009 financing. A general tax was approved on June 14, 2005 to ensure the continued support of fire services to the residents within the district boundaries.

DISCUSSION:

On May 6, 2008, the County received a request from Oakdale Rural Fire District for a temporary advance of funds for the 2008-2009 fiscal year. This advance of funds is intended to address the District's cash needs for the 2008-2009 fiscal year. The request is made under the provisions of Government Code Section 23010.

The funds being requested will ensure continuation of critical public safety services to District residents. Funds advanced may only be used to meet maintenance and operational expenses. The amount advanced will be repaid with interest at a rate equivalent to the average rate of return currently earned on deposits in the County Treasury.

POLICY ISSUES:

Government Code Section 23010 requires Board approval to advance funds to fire districts. In evaluating this request the Board may consider whether it enhances the stated goal of ensuring a safe, healthy community and achieving multi-jurisdictional cooperation.

STAFFING IMPACT:

There are no staffing impacts associated with this agenda item.

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OAKDALE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT



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May 5, 2008

The County of Stanislaus
1010 Tenth Street, Suite 6500
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Re: Dry-Period Funding for Fiscal Year 2008-2009

DATE	INITIAL	ACTION	INFO	FILE
5/6/08	EA		✓	
	SJS		✓	
	Theresa		✓	

Dear Board of Supervisors,

The Oakdale Fire Protection District always strives to operate within the budget it sets each year. Even with the uncertainty of what our apportionment of ad valorem property taxes will be each year, we consistently balance our budget between revenues and expenditures.

Our anticipated revenue for the 2008-2009 year is \$1,700,000.00. We have always depended on the dry-period financing allowed by the County wherein we were able to operate on funds "loaned" by the County until our property taxes were apportioned to us in December. Therefore, we respectfully request pursuant to Government Code §23010 that the County advance the Oakdale Fire Protection District funds to perform its functions and meet its obligations. Our funds are deposited and held by Stanislaus County, and the County would be repaid with tax apportionments prior to any other obligations. Further, we request that the advance is up to 85 percent of our revenues as allowed by the Government Code. Direct assessments are applied to the property tax rolls and represent approximately 75 percent of our budget.

We appreciate your consideration of this request as soon as possible since our ability to continue operations and plan for the future is dependant on the consistent cash flow.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth M. Brichetto
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Board Chairperson

cc: Larry Haugh – Auditor Controller
Gary Hinshaw – County Fire Warden
Rick Robinson – Stanislaus County CEO