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July 05, 2016

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ANTELOPE VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY SERVICES
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-17
UNINCORPORATED COUNTY COMMUNITIES OF THE
ANTELOPE VALLEY
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to approve funding for the continuation of public transit services through the Antelope Valley Transit Authority for the residents of the unincorporated County communities of the Antelope Valley for Fiscal Year 2016-17.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find that this activity is statutorily exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Approve continuation of public transit services for the residents of the unincorporated County communities of the Antelope Valley for Fiscal Year 2016-17 at an estimated cost of \$900,000.
3. Approve prepayment to the Antelope Valley Transit Authority of the County's share of the cost for the transit services on a quarterly basis.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to provide for the continuation of public transit services, including fixed-route, commuter, and dial-a-ride services for residents of the unincorporated County communities of the Antelope Valley for Fiscal Year 2016-17.

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

21 July 5, 2016

LORI GLASGOW
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1) and Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3) by providing service to the public in a collaborative and responsive manner and improving the mobility of the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The total cost of the Antelope Valley Transit Authority (AVTA) services is estimated to be \$59,800,000 for Fiscal Year 2016-17. The County's jurisdictional share of the cost for these services is estimated to be \$11,960,000. The AVTA will be pursuing funding assistance for these services, such as various Federal Transit Administration, State, Proposition A Discretionary, and Proposition A Incentive grants. Any grant funds received by AVTA will help offset the County's share of the cost. Therefore, the County's jurisdictional share of the cost for these services in Fiscal Year 2016-17, less grants and farebox revenue, is estimated to be \$900,000. The necessary funds for the County's share of these services are available in the Supervisorial District 5's Proposition A Local Return Transit Program and included in the Transit Enterprise Fund Fiscal Year 2016-17 Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On February 25, 1992, the Board authorized the Director of Public Works to arrange for a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement between the County, the City of Lancaster, and the City of Palmdale creating an agency to be known as the AVTA to provide for planning, contracting, and operating public transit services in the Antelope Valley. The Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement was established on April 1, 1992. The operation and financing of the AVTA will continue to be governed under the auspices of the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The recommended activity is statutorily exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 21080(b)(10) of the Public Resources Code. This exemption provides for the implementation of passenger or commuter transit services.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

This action provides for continuation of the current services and maintains the mobility of unincorporated County residents in the Antelope Valley.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

7/5/2016

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CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Programs Development Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER

Director

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c: Chief Executive Office (Rochelle Goff)
County Counsel
Executive Office