

MASTER AGREEMENT
ADMINISTERING AGENCY-STATE AGREEMENT FOR
FEDERAL-AID PROJECTS

04 Solano County

District Administering Agency

Agreement No. 04-5923F15

This AGREEMENT, is entered into effective this _____ day of _____, 20____, by and between Solano County, hereinafter referred to as "ADMINISTERING AGENCY," and the State of California, acting by and through its Department of Transportation (Caltrans), hereinafter referred to as "STATE", and together referred to as "PARTIES" or individually as a "PARTY."

RECITALS:

1. WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States has enacted the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) of 1991 and subsequent Transportation Authorization Bills to fund transportation programs; and
2. WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of California has enacted legislation by which certain federal-aid funds may be made available for use on local transportation related projects of public entities qualified to act as recipients of these federal-aid funds in accordance with the intent of federal law; and
3. WHEREAS, before federal funds will be made available for a specific program project, ADMINISTERING AGENCY and STATE are required to enter into an agreement to establish terms and conditions applicable to the ADMINISTERING AGENCY when receiving federal funds for a designated PROJECT facility and to the subsequent operation and maintenance of that completed facility.

NOW, THEREFORE, the PARTIES agree as follows:

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ARTICLE I - PROJECT ADMINISTRATION

1. This AGREEMENT shall have no force or effect with respect to any program project unless and until a project-specific "Authorization/Agreement Summary", herein referred to as "E-76" document, is approved by STATE and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).
2. The term "PROJECT", as used herein, means that authorized transportation related project and related activities financed in part with federal-aid funds as more fully-described in an "Authorization/ Agreement Summary" or "Amendment/Modification Summary", herein referred to as "E-76" or "E-76 (AMOD)" document authorized by STATE and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).
3. The E-76/E-76 (AMOD) shall designate the party responsible for implementing PROJECT, type of work and location of PROJECT.
4. The PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT sets out special covenants as a condition for the ADMINISTERING AGENCY to receive federal-aid funds from/through STATE for designated PROJECT. The PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT shall also show these federal funds that have been initially encumbered for PROJECT along with the matching funds to be provided by ADMINISTERING AGENCY and/or others. Execution of PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT by the PARTIES shall cause ADMINISTERING AGENCY to adopt all of the terms of this AGREEMENT as though fully set forth therein in the PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT. Unless otherwise expressly delegated in a resolution by the governing body of ADMINISTERING AGENCY, and with written concurrence by STATE, the PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT shall be approved and managed by the governing body of ADMINISTERING AGENCY.
5. ADMINISTERING AGENCY agrees to execute and return each project-specific PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT within ninety (90) days of receipt. The PARTIES agree that STATE may suspend future authorizations/obligations and invoice payments for any on-going or future federal-aid project performed by ADMINISTERING AGENCY if any project-specific PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT is not returned within that ninety (90) day period unless otherwise agreed by STATE in writing.
6. ADMINISTERING AGENCY further agrees, as a condition to the release and payment of federal funds encumbered for the PROJECT described in each PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT, to comply with the terms and conditions of this AGREEMENT and all of the agreed-upon Special Covenants or Remarks incorporated within the PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT, and Cooperative/Contribution Agreement where appropriate, defining and identifying the nature of the specific PROJECT.
7. Federal, state and matching funds will not participate in PROJECT work performed in advance of the approval of the E-76 or E-76 (AMOD), unless otherwise stated in the executed project-specific PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT. ADMINISTERING AGENCY agrees that it will only proceed with the work authorized for that specific phase(s) on the project-specific E-76 or E-76 (AMOD). ADMINISTERING AGENCY further agrees to not proceed with future phases of PROJECT prior to receiving an E-76 (AMOD) from STATE for that phase(s) unless no further federal funds are needed or for those future phase(s).

8. That PROJECT or portions thereof, must be included in a federally approved Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) prior to ADMINISTERING AGENCY submitting the "Request for Authorization".

9. ADMINISTERING AGENCY shall conform to all state statutes, regulations and procedures (including those set forth in the Local Assistance Procedures Manual and the Local Assistance Program Guidelines, hereafter collectively referred to as "LOCAL ASSISTANCE PROCEDURES") relating to the federal-aid program, all Title 23 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) and 2 CFR part 200 federal requirements, and all applicable federal laws, regulations, and policy and procedural or instructional memoranda, unless otherwise specifically waived as designated in the executed project-specific PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT.

10. If PROJECT is not on STATE-owned right of way, PROJECT shall be constructed in accordance with LOCAL ASSISTANCE PROCEDURES that describes minimum statewide design standards for local agency streets and roads. LOCAL ASSISTANCE PROCEDURES for projects off the National Highway System (NHS) allow STATE to accept either the STATE's minimum statewide design standards or the approved geometric design standards of ADMINISTERING AGENCY. Additionally, for projects off the NHS, STATE will accept ADMINISTERING AGENCY-approved standard specifications, standard plans, materials sampling and testing quality assurance programs that meet the conditions described in the then current LOCAL ASSISTANCE PROCEDURES.

11. If PROJECT involves work within or partially within STATE-owned right-of-way, that PROJECT shall also be subject to compliance with the policies, procedures and standards of the STATE Project Development Procedures Manual and Highway Design Manual and, where appropriate, an executed Cooperative Agreement between STATE and ADMINISTERING AGENCY that outlines the PROJECT responsibilities and respective obligations of the PARTIES. ADMINISTERING AGENCY and its contractors shall each obtain an encroachment permit through STATE prior to commencing any work within STATE rights of way or work which affects STATE facilities.

12. When PROJECT is not on the State Highway System but includes work to be performed by a railroad, the contract for such work shall be prepared by ADMINISTERING AGENCY or by STATE, as the PARTIES may hereafter agree. In either event, ADMINISTERING AGENCY shall enter into an agreement with the railroad providing for future maintenance of protective devices or other facilities installed under the contract.

13. If PROJECT is using STATE funds, the Department of General Services, Division of the State Architect, or its designee, shall review the contract PS&E for the construction of buildings, structures, sidewalks, curbs and related facilities for accessibility and usability. ADMINISTERING AGENCY shall not award a PROJECT construction contract for these types of improvements until the State Architect has issued written approval stating that the PROJECT plans and specifications comply with the provisions of sections 4450 and 4454 of the California Government Code, if applicable. Further requirements and guidance are provided in Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations.

14. ADMINISTERING AGENCY will advertise, award and administer PROJECT in accordance with the current LOCAL ASSISTANCE PROCEDURES unless otherwise stated in the executed project-specific PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT.

15. ADMINISTERING AGENCY shall provide or arrange for adequate supervision and inspection of each PROJECT. While consultants may perform supervision and inspection work for PROJECT with a fully qualified and licensed engineer, ADMINISTERING AGENCY shall provide a full-time employee to be in responsible charge of each PROJECT who is not a consultant.

16. ADMINISTERING AGENCY shall submit PROJECT-specific contract award documents to STATE's District Local Assistance Engineer within sixty (60) days after contract award. A copy of the award documents shall also be included with the submittal of the first invoice for a construction contract by ADMINISTERING AGENCY.

17. ADMINISTERING AGENCY shall submit the final report documents that collectively constitute a "Report of Expenditures" within one hundred eighty (180) days of PROJECT completion. Failure by ADMINISTERING AGENCY to submit a "Report of Expenditures" within one hundred eighty (180) days of project completion will result in STATE imposing sanctions upon ADMINISTERING AGENCY in accordance with the current LOCAL ASSISTANCE PROCEDURES.

18. ADMINISTERING AGENCY shall comply with: (i) section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in federally assisted programs; (ii) the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability irrespective of funding; and (iii) all applicable regulations and guidelines issued pursuant to both the Rehabilitation Act and the ADA.

19. The Congress of the United States, the Legislature of the State of California and the Governor of the State of California, each within their respective jurisdictions, have prescribed certain nondiscrimination requirements with respect to contract and other work financed with public funds. ADMINISTERING AGENCY agrees to comply with the requirements of the FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES ADDENDUM (Exhibit A attached hereto) and the NONDISCRIMINATION ASSURANCES (Exhibit B attached hereto). ADMINISTERING AGENCY further agrees that any agreement entered into by ADMINISTERING AGENCY with a third party for performance of PROJECT-related work shall incorporate Exhibits A and B (with third party's name replacing ADMINISTERING AGENCY) as essential parts of such agreement to be enforced by that third party as verified by ADMINISTERING AGENCY.

ARTICLE II - RIGHTS OF WAY

1. No contract for the construction of a federal-aid PROJECT shall be awarded until all necessary rights of way have been secured. Prior to the advertising for construction of PROJECT, ADMINISTERING AGENCY shall certify and, upon request, shall furnish STATE with evidence that all necessary rights of way are available for construction purposes or will be available by the time of award of the construction contract.
2. ADMINISTERING AGENCY agrees to indemnify and hold STATE harmless from any liability that may result in the event the right of way for a PROJECT, including, but not limited to, being clear as certified or if said right of way is found to contain hazardous materials requiring treatment or removal to remediate in accordance with Federal and State laws. The furnishing of right of way as provided for herein includes, in addition to all real property required for the PROJECT, title free and clear of obstructions and encumbrances affecting PROJECT and the payment, as required by applicable law, of relocation costs and damages to remainder real property not actually taken but injuriously affected by PROJECT. ADMINISTERING AGENCY shall pay, from its own non-matching funds, any costs which arise out of delays to the construction of PROJECT because utility facilities have not been timely removed or relocated, or because rights of way were not available to ADMINISTERING AGENCY for the orderly prosecution of PROJECT work.
3. Subject to STATE approval and such supervision as is required by LOCAL ASSISTANCE PROCEDURES over ADMINISTERING AGENCY's right of way acquisition procedures, ADMINISTERING AGENCY may claim reimbursement from federal funds for expenditures incurred in purchasing only the necessary rights of way needed for the PROJECT after crediting PROJECT with the fair market value of any excess property retained and not disposed of by ADMINISTERING AGENCY.
4. When real property rights are to be acquired by ADMINISTERING AGENCY for a PROJECT, said ADMINISTERING AGENCY must carry out that acquisition in compliance with all applicable State and Federal laws and regulations, in accordance with State procedures as published in State's current LOCAL ASSISTANCE PROCEDURES and STATE's Right-of-Way Manual, subject to STATE oversight to ensure that the completed work is acceptable under the Federal Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended.
5. Whether or not federal-aid is to be requested for right of way, should ADMINISTERING AGENCY, in acquiring right of way for PROJECT, displace an individual, family, business, farm operation, or non-profit organization, relocation payments and services will be provided as set forth in 49 CFR, Part 24. The public will be adequately informed of the relocation payments and services which will be available, and, to the greatest extent practicable, no person lawfully occupying real property shall be required to move from his/her dwelling or to move his/her business or farm operation without at least ninety (90) days written notice from ADMINISTERING AGENCY. ADMINISTERING AGENCY will provide STATE with specific assurances, on each portion of the PROJECT, that no person will be displaced until comparable decent, safe and sanitary replacement housing is available within a reasonable period of time prior to displacement, and that ADMINISTERING AGENCY's relocation program is realistic and adequate to provide orderly, timely and efficient relocation of PROJECT-displaced persons as provided in 49 CFR, Part 24.

6. ADMINISTERING AGENCY shall, along with recording the deed or instrument evidencing title in the name of the ADMINISTERING AGENCY or their assignee, also record an Agreement Declaring Restrictive Covenants (ADRC) as a separate document incorporating the assurances included within Exhibits A and B and Appendices A, B, C and D of this AGREEMENT, as appropriate.

ARTICLE III - MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT

1. ADMINISTERING AGENCY will maintain and operate the property acquired, developed, constructed, rehabilitated, or restored by PROJECT for its intended public use until such time as the parties might amend this AGREEMENT to otherwise provide. With the approval of STATE, ADMINISTERING AGENCY or its successors in interest in the PROJECT property may transfer this obligation and responsibility to maintain and operate PROJECT property for that intended public purpose to another public entity.

2. Upon ADMINISTERING AGENCY's acceptance of the completed federal-aid construction contract or upon contractor being relieved of the responsibility for maintaining and protecting PROJECT, ADMINISTERING AGENCY will be responsible for the maintenance, ownership, liability, and the expense thereof, for PROJECT in a manner satisfactory to the authorized representatives of STATE and FHWA and if PROJECT falls within the jurisdictional limits of another Agency or Agencies, it is the duty of ADMINISTERING AGENCY to facilitate a separate maintenance agreement(s) between itself and the other jurisdictional Agency or Agencies providing for the operation, maintenance, ownership and liability of PROJECT. Until those agreements are executed, ADMINISTERING AGENCY will be responsible for all PROJECT operations, maintenance, ownership and liability in a manner satisfactory to the authorized representatives of STATE and FHWA. If, within ninety (90) days after receipt of notice from STATE that a PROJECT, or any portion thereof, is not being properly operated and maintained and ADMINISTERING AGENCY has not satisfactorily remedied the conditions complained of, the approval of future federal-aid projects of ADMINISTERING AGENCY will be withheld until the PROJECT shall have been put in a condition of operation and maintenance satisfactory to STATE and FHWA. The provisions of this section shall not apply to a PROJECT that has been vacated through due process of law with STATE's concurrence.

3. PROJECT and its facilities shall be maintained by an adequate and well-trained staff of engineers and/or such other professionals and technicians as PROJECT reasonably requires. Said operations and maintenance staff may be employees of ADMINISTERING AGENCY, another unit of government, or a contractor under agreement with ADMINISTERING AGENCY. All maintenance will be performed at regular intervals or as required for efficient operation of the complete PROJECT improvements.

ARTICLE IV - FISCAL PROVISIONS

1. All contractual obligations of STATE are subject to the appropriation of resources by the Legislature and the allocation of resources by the California Transportation Commission (CTC).
2. STATE'S financial commitment of federal funds will occur only upon the execution of this AGREEMENT, the authorization of the project-specific E-76 or E-76 (AMOD), the execution of each project-specific PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT, and STATE's approved finance letter.
3. ADMINISTERING AGENCY may submit signed invoices in arrears for reimbursement of participating PROJECT costs on a regular basis once the project-specific PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT has been executed by STATE.
4. ADMINISTERING AGENCY agrees, at a minimum, to submit invoices at least once every six (6) months commencing after the funds are encumbered on either the project-specific PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT or through a project-specific finance letter approved by STATE. STATE reserves the right to suspend future authorizations/obligations, and invoice payments for any on-going or future federal-aid project by ADMINISTERING AGENCY if PROJECT costs have not been invoiced by ADMINISTERING AGENCY for a six (6) month period.
5. Invoices shall be submitted on ADMINISTERING AGENCY letterhead that includes the address of ADMINISTERING AGENCY and shall be formatted in accordance with LOCAL ASSISTANCE PROCEDURES.
6. ADMINISTERING AGENCY must have at least one copy of supporting backup documentation for costs incurred and claimed for reimbursement by ADMINISTERING AGENCY. ADMINISTERING AGENCY agrees to submit supporting backup documentation with invoices if requested by State. Acceptable backup documentation includes, but is not limited to, agency's progress payment to the contractors, copies of cancelled checks showing amounts made payable to vendors and contractors, and/or a computerized summary of PROJECT costs.
7. Payments to ADMINISTERING AGENCY can only be released by STATE as reimbursement of actual allowable PROJECT costs already incurred and paid for by ADMINISTERING AGENCY.
8. Indirect Cost Allocation Plans/Indirect Cost Rate Proposals (ICAP/ICRP), Central Service Cost Allocation Plans and related documentation are to be prepared and provided to STATE (Caltrans Audits & Investigations) for review and approval prior to ADMINISTERING AGENCY seeking reimbursement of indirect costs incurred within each fiscal year being claimed for State and federal reimbursement. ICAPs/ICRPs must be prepared in accordance with the requirements set forth in 2 CFR, Part 200, Chapter 5 of the Local Assistance Procedural Manual, and the ICAP/ICRP approval procedures established by STATE.
9. Once PROJECT has been awarded, STATE reserves the right to de-obligate any excess federal funds from the construction phase of PROJECT if the contract award amount is less than the obligated amount, as shown on the PROJECT E-76 or E-76 (AMOD).
10. STATE will withhold the greater of either two (2) percent of the total of all federal funds encumbered for each PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT or \$40,000 until ADMINISTERING AGENCY submits the Final Report of Expenditures for each completed PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT PROJECT.