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STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF TRAVIS §

COUNTY ORIGINAL

# ADVANCE FUNDING AGREEMENT For Bridge Replacement or Rehabilitation Off the State System

THIS Advance Funding Agreement (the Agreement) is made by and between the State of Texas, acting by and through the Texas Department of Transportation, hereinafter called the "State", and the Fort Bend County, acting by and through its duly authorized officials, hereinafter called the "Local Government."

#### WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, Title 23, United States Code Section 144 authorizes federal funds to assist the States in the replacement or rehabilitation of deficient bridges located on public highways, roads and streets, including those under the jurisdiction of local governments; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Transportation Code, Sections 201.103 and 222.052 establish that the State shall plan and make policies for the construction of a comprehensive system of state highways and public roads in cooperation with local governments; and

WHEREAS, the Local Government owns a bridge or bridges located on a public road or street located at Fenske Lane at Fairchilds Creek Tributary and said bridge(s) is included in the currently approved off-state system federal-aid Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program (HBRRP) as authorized by Texas Transportation Commission Minute Order number 112237, dated April 29, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Local Government has approved entering into this Agreement by resolution or ordinance which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Attachment A and which provides for development of the specific programmed replacement or rehabilitation project, hereinafter called the "Project", identified in the location map shown as Attachment B.

**NOW**, **THEREFORE**, in consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenants and agreements of the parties hereto, to be by them respectively kept and performed as hereinafter set forth, it is agreed as follows:

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### **AGREEMENT**

# 1. Period of this Agreement

This Agreement becomes effective when signed by the last party whose signing makes the Agreement fully executed. This Agreement shall remain in effect until terminated as provided in Article 2.

# 2. Conditions for Termination of this Agreement

- a. The Agreement is terminated in writing with the mutual consent of the parties; or
- b. Breach of this Agreement, in which case any cost incurred shall be paid by the breaching party; or
- c. If the Local Government elects not to develop the project and the project does not proceed, in which case the Local Government agrees to reimburse the State for 100 percent of its reasonable actual direct and indirect costs incurred for the project.

# 3. Amendments

Amendments to this Agreement may be made due to changes in the character of the work, the terms of the Agreement, or the responsibilities of the parties. Amendments shall be enacted through a mutually agreed upon, written amendment executed by all parties to this Agreement.

# 4. Remedies

This Agreement shall not be considered as specifying the exclusive remedy for any Agreement default, but all remedies existing at law and in equity may be availed of by either party to this Agreement and shall be cumulative.

# 5. Scope of Work

The scope of work for this Agreement is the replacement or rehabilitation of the bridge(s) identified in the recitals of this Agreement. This replacement or rehabilitation shall be accomplished in the manner described in the plans, specifications and estimates developed in accordance with this Agreement and which are incorporated herein by reference.

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# 6. Right of Way and Real Property

The Local Government is responsible for the provision and acquisition of all necessary right of way and will not be reimbursed with federal or state funds for the required right of way.

The Local Government authorizes the State, its consultant, contractor, or other designated representative to enter the site(s) of said bridge(s) and adjacent right of way or relocation right of way to perform surveys, inspections, construction and other activities necessary to replace or rehabilitate said bridge and approaches.

# 7. Adjustment of Utilities

The Local Government shall be responsible for the adjustment, removal, or relocation of utility facilities in accordance with applicable State laws, regulations, rules, policies, and procedures, including any cost to the State of a delay resulting from the Local Government's failure to ensure that utility facilities are adjusted, removed, or relocated before the scheduled beginning of construction. The Local Government will not be reimbursed with federal or state funds for the cost of required utility work." The Local Government must obtain advance approval for any variance from established procedures. Before a construction contract is let, the Local Government shall provide, at the State's request, a certification stating that the Local Government has completed the adjustment of all utilities that must be adjusted before construction is completed.

# 8. Environmental Assessment and Mitigation

Development of the Project must comply with the National Environmental Policy Act and the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, which require environmental clearance of federal-aid projects.

- a. The State is responsible for the identification and assessment of any environmental problems associated with the development of the Project governed by this Agreement.
- b. Cost participation in environmental assessment and remediation work shall be paid by the parties in the same ratio as construction costs and will be included in the construction costs identified in Attachment D, "Estimate of Direct Costs".
- c. The State is responsible for providing any public meetings or public hearings required for development of the environmental assessment

The State will not begin construction of the Project until identified environmental problems have been remediated, unless provided for otherwise.

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# 9. Compliance with Texas Accessibility Standards and ADA

All parties to this Agreement shall ensure that the plans for and the construction of the Project subject to this Agreement are in compliance with the Texas Accessibility Standards (TAS) issued by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation, under the Architectural Barriers Act, Article 9102, Texas Civil Statutes. The TAS establishes minimum accessibility requirements to be consistent with minimum accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (P.L. 101-336) (ADA).

# 10. Architectural and Engineering Services will be Provided by the State

The State is responsible for performance of any required architectural or preliminary engineering work. The Local Government may review and comment on the work as required to accomplish the public purposes of the Local Government. The State will cooperate fully with the Local Government in accomplishing these local public purposes to the degree permitted by state and federal law. The Local Government review shall not unduly delay the development of the Project.

# 11. Construction Responsibilities

- a. The State shall advertise for construction bids, issue bid proposals, receive and tabulate the bids and award and administer the contract for construction of the Project. Administration of the contract includes the responsibility for construction engineering and for issuance of any change orders, supplemental agreements, amendments, or additional work orders, which may become necessary subsequent to the award of the construction contract. In order to ensure federal funding eligibility, projects must be authorized by the State prior to advertising for construction.
- b. Upon completion of the Project, the State will issue a "Notification of Completion" acknowledging the Project's construction completion.

# 12. Project Maintenance

After the Project has been completed, the Local Government shall accept full ownership, and operate and maintain the facilities authorized by this Agreement for the benefit of and at no charge of toll to the public. This covenant shall survive the completion of construction under this Agreement.

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# 13. Local Project Sources and Uses of Funds

- a. A Project Cost Estimate is provided in Attachment D, "Estimate of Direct Costs".
- b. Attachment D provides a source of funds estimate as well as the estimated direct preliminary engineering, construction engineering, and construction costs for the Project in total and by the Local Government.
- c. The required Local Government participation is based solely upon the State's estimate of the eligible work at the time this Agreement is executed and will not be adjusted during construction except as needed to include any Project cost item or portion of a cost item ineligible for state or federal participation. In addition to its share of estimated direct engineering and construction costs, the Local Government is responsible for the direct cost of any project cost item or portion of a cost item that is not eligible for federal participation under the federal HBRRP.

  The Local Government is also responsible for any cost resulting from changes made at the request of the Local Government.
- d. After execution of this Agreement, but thirty (30) days prior to the performance of any work by the State, the Local Government will the State in the amount specified in Attachment D for the Local Government's contribution for preliminary engineering. The Local Government will pay at a minimum its funding share for this estimated cost of preliminary engineering.
- e. Forty-five (45) days prior to the date set for receipt of the construction bids, the Local Government shall remit its remaining financial share for the State's estimated construction oversight and construction costs and any other costs owing.
- f. If at the completion or termination of the Project the State determines that additional funding is required by the Local Government, the State shall notify the Local Government in writing. The Local Government shall make payment to the State within thirty (30) days from receipt of the State's written notification.
- g. Whenever funds are paid by the Local Government to the State under this Agreement, the Local Government shall remit a check or warrant made payable to the "Texas Department of Transportation Trust Fund." The check or warrant shall be deposited by the State in an escrow account to be managed by the State. Funds in the escrow account may only be applied to the State Project.
- h. Upon completion of the Project, the State will perform an audit of the Project costs. Any funds due to the Local Government, the State, or the Federal Government will be promptly paid by the owing party.
- i. The State will not pay interest on any funds provided by the Local Government.
- j. The Local Government funding participation responsibilities include Project direct costs only, except when the Project is terminated before completion at the request of the Local Government as addressed in the Termination provision of this Agreement.

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- k. The amounts shown on Attachment D are estimates only. If actual costs exceed the estimates, this shall be considered a fixed price agreement, and no additional funding shall be required of the Local Government except to the extent that the additional costs result from changes made at the request of the Local Government or to the extent that the additional costs are not eligible for federal participation under the Federal Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program. If actual costs are less than the estimates, Local Government participation shall be recalculated based on actual costs. If the recalculation results in a reduction in participation by the Local Government, the State shall pay the difference to the Local Government upon completion of the Project.
- 1. Under the provisions of Texas Transportation Code Section 222.053 certain counties qualify as Economically Disadvantaged Counties (EDC) in comparison to other counties in the state as below average per capita property value, and below average per capita income, and above average unemployment, for certain years. If applicable, in consideration of such EDC status that may be applicable for the Project, the required local match fund participation has been adjusted to N/A percent.
- m. The State will not execute the contract for the construction of a Project until the required funding has been made available by the Local Government in accordance with this Agreement.
- n. The state auditor may conduct an audit or investigation of any entity receiving funds from the state directly under the contract or indirectly through a subcontract under the contract. Acceptance of funds directly under the contract or indirectly through a subcontract under this contract acts as acceptance of the authority of the state auditor, under the direction of the legislative audit committee, to conduct an audit or investigation in connection with those funds. An entity that is the subject of an audit or investigation must provide the state auditor with access to any information the state auditor considers relevant to the investigation or audit.
- 14. Performance by Local Government of Equivalent-Match Projects (EMPs) in Return for Waiver of Local Match Participation Funding on Participation-Waived Projects (PWPs)
  - a. Applicability. If a request for waiver has been received and approved by the State's District Engineer, then the required ten percent matching fund participation or percent as adjusted for EDC consideration, as shown in Attachment D, "Estimate of Direct Costs", but excluding ineligible costs under the bridge program, is waived. This waiver is based on the commitment of the Local Government to spend an equivalent amount of funds for structural or safety improvement on "other" bridge structures and other conditions as specified in 43 TAC Section 15.55(d). If a waiver has been granted, the

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Project shall be defined to be a Participation-Waived Project (PWP) and the work on the "other" bridge structures that will be improved by the Local Government shall be defined to be the Equivalent-Match Project(s) (EMP). Attachment C to this Agreement shows a list of EMP(s) under this Agreement.

- b. Project Cost Estimate for PWP. Attachment D to this Agreement shows the estimated direct preliminary engineering, construction engineering and construction costs for the PWP in total and local match fund participation being waived, or partially waived.
- c. Credit Against EMP Work. Any local match fund participation that has already been paid, or which the Local Government is agreeable to paying to the State, will be credited against EMP work to be performed by the Local Government. If applicable, this credit(s) will be reflected in Attachment D to this Agreement.
- d. Responsibilities of the Local Government on EMP(s).
  - (1) The Local Government shall be responsible for all engineering and construction, and related costs thereto, and complying with all applicable state and federal environmental regulations and permitting requirements.
  - (2) The structural or safety improvement work on the EMP(s) shall be performed subsequent to the final execution of this Agreement but within three (3) calendar years after the earliest contract award of the related PWP(s).
  - (3) Written documentation, suitable for audit, of the structural or safety improvement work completed on the EMP(s) shall be kept on file by the Local Government for four (4) years after completion of work or claims, lawsuits, or audits related thereto, whichever is longer. A notice of completion of work on the EMP(s) shall be delivered to the State's District Engineer no later than thirty (30) calendar days after work is completed on the EMP(s).
  - (4) Failure by the Local Government to adequately complete the EMP(s) within the stated three-year period shall result in the Local Government being excluded from receiving such waivers for a minimum of five (5) years.
- e. Funding of Ineligible or Additional Work Not Waived. Regardless of any waiver of eligible program costs, the Local Government shall pay the State 100 percent of the cost of any PWP item or portion of a cost item that is not eligible for federal or state participation, and 100 percent of the costs resulting from additional work on the PWP performed solely at the request of the Local Government. If the ineligible or additional work is preliminary engineering, the payment shall be made at least thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of preliminary engineering work on the PWP.

If the ineligible or additional work is for construction or construction engineering, the payment shall be made at least forty-five (45) days prior to the date set for receipt of bids for construction of the PWP.

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### 15. Notices

All notices to either party by the other required under this Agreement shall be delivered personally or sent by certified or U.S. mail, postage prepaid, addressed to such party at the following addresses:

State:

Mr. Delvin L. Dennis, P.E.

District Engineer

Texas Department of Transportation

P.O. Box 1386

Houston, Texas 77251-1386

Local Government:

The Honorable Robert E. Hebert

County Judge, Fort Bend County

301 Jackson, Suite 719 Richmond, Texas 77469

All notices shall be deemed given on the date so delivered or so deposited in the mail, unless otherwise provided herein. Either party may change the above address by sending written notice of the change to the other party. Either party may request in writing that such notices shall be delivered personally or by certified U.S. mail and such request shall be honored and carried out by the other party.

# 16. Legal Construction

In case one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall for any reason be held invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provisions and this Agreement shall be construed as if it did not contain the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision.

# 17. Responsibilities of the Parties

The parties to this Agreement agree that no party is an agent, servant, or employee of the other party and each party agrees it is responsible for its individual acts and deeds as well as the acts and deeds of its contractors, employees, representatives, and agents.

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# 18. Ownership of Documents

Upon completion or termination of this Agreement, all documents prepared by the State shall remain the property of the State. All data prepared under this Agreement shall be made available to the State without restriction or limitation on their further use.

All documents produced or approved or otherwise created by the Local Government shall be transmitted to the State in the form of photocopy reproduction on a monthly basis as required by the State. The originals shall remain the property of the Local Government. At the request of the State, the Local Government shall submit any information required by the State in the format directed by the State.

# 19. Compliance with Laws

The parties shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations, and the orders and decrees of any courts or administrative bodies or tribunals in any manner affecting the performance of this Agreement. When required, the Local Government shall furnish the State with satisfactory proof of this compliance.

# 20. Sole Agreement

This Agreement constitutes the sole and only agreement between the parties and supersedes any prior understandings or written or oral agreements respecting this Agreement's subject matter.

# 21. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Cost Principles

In order to be reimbursed with federal funds, the parties shall comply with the Cost Principles established in OMB Circular A-87 that specify that all reimbursed costs are allowable, reasonable and allocable to the Project.

# 22. Procurement and Property Management Standards

The parties shall adhere to the procurement standards established in Title 49 CFR §18.36 and with the property management standard established in Title 49 CFR §18.32.

# 23. Inspection of Books and Records

The parties to the Agreement shall maintain all books, documents, papers, accounting records and other documentation relating to costs incurred under this Agreement and shall make such materials available to the State, the Local Government, and, if federally funded,

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the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and the U.S. Office of the Inspector General, or their duly authorized representatives for review and inspection at its office during the contract period and for four (4) years from the date of completion of work defined under this contract or until any impending litigation, or claims are resolved. Additionally, the State, the Local Government, and the FHWA and their duly authorized representatives shall have access to all the governmental records that are directly applicable to this Agreement for the purpose of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.

In accordance with Section 902 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), should this agreement involve the expenditure of ARRA funds, then the U.S. Comptroller General and its representatives shall have the authority to:

- **a.** examine any records of the contractor or any of its subcontractors, or any State or local agency administering such contract, that directly pertain to, and involve transactions relating to the contract or subcontract; and
- **b.** interview any officer or employee of the contractor or any of its subcontractors, or any State or local agency administering the contract regarding such contracts.

Nothing in the section previously mentioned shall be interpreted to limit or restrict in any way the existing authority of the Comptroller General.

In accordance with Section 1515(a) of the ARRA, with respect to each contract or grant awarded using covered funds, any representative of an appropriate inspector general appointed under Section 3 or 8G of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.), is authorized:

- **a.** to examine any records of the contractor or grantee, any of its subcontractors or subgrantees, or any State or local agency administering such contract that pertain to and involve transactions relating to the contract, subcontract, grant, or subgrant; and
- **b.** to interview any officer or employee of the contractor, grantee or subgrantee, or agency regarding such transactions.

Section 1515(b) further provides that nothing in the section previously mentioned shall be interpreted to limit or restrict in any way the existing authority of an inspector general.

The ARRA requires that the Contractor report monthly employment information for its firm as well as that of all of its subcontractors. The Contractor, similarly, shall include this reporting requirement in all of its subcontracts. Failing to include the requirement in agreements with subcontractors can serve as grounds for contract termination.

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Form FHWA-1589, Monthly Employment Report, promulgated by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), captures the necessary monthly employment information and shall be submitted by the Contractor on a regular basis to the LG (Local Government). It is the responsibility of the LG to obtain this form from the prime Contractor and any subcontractors and, the LG shall verify the accuracy, completeness, and reasonableness of the data contained in the form. The LG shall ensure that this form is submitted by the LG to the State according to the policies and at the direction of the State.

In order to meet any other FHWA and ARRA reporting requirements, the LG shall provide to the State all information requested by the State, including data or information in possession of contractors and subcontractors for completing other necessary reporting forms, and the information shall be submitted in the manner required and according to all due dates as set by the State.

# 24. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Audit Requirements

The parties shall comply with the requirements of the Single Audit Act of 1984, P.L. 98-502, ensuring that the single audit report includes the coverage stipulated in OMB Circular No. A-128 through August 31, 2000 and stipulated in OMB Circular A-133 after August 31, 2000.

# 25. Civil Rights Compliance

The parties to this Agreement shall comply with the regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation as they relate to nondiscrimination (49 CFR Chapter 21 and 23 CFR §710.405(B)), and Executive Order 11246 titled "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order 11375 and supplemented in the Department of Labor Regulations (41 CFR Part 60).

# 26. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Requirements

The parties shall comply with the Disadvantaged/Minority Business Enterprise Program requirements established in 49 CFR Part 26.

# 27. Debarment Certifications

The parties are prohibited from making any award at any tier to any party that is debarred or suspended or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal Assistance Programs under Executive Order 12549, "Debarment and Suspension." By

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executing this agreement, the Local Government certifies that it is not currently debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal Assistance Programs under Executive Order 12549. The parties to this contract shall require any party to a subcontract or purchase order awarded under this contract to certify its eligibility to receive Federal funds and, when requested by the State, to furnish a copy of the certification.

# 28. Lobbying Certification

In executing this Agreement, the signatories certify to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- a. No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of the parties to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- b. If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with federal contracts, grants, loans, or cooperative agreements, the signatory for the Local Government shall complete and submit the Federal Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- c. The parties shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

By executing this Agreement, the parties affirm this lobbying certification with respect to the Project and affirm this certification of the material representation of facts upon which reliance will be made. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Title 31 U.S.C. §1352. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

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# 29. Successors and Assigns

The State and the Local Government each binds itself, its successors, executors, assigns, and administrators to the other party to this Agreement and to the successors, executors, assigns, and administrators of such other party in respect to all covenants of this Agreement.

### 30. Local Government Restrictions

In the case that the local government has an existing, future or proposed local ordinance commissioners court order, rule policy, or other directive that is more restrictive than the state or federal regulations that results in an increase cost to the State for the project, the local government is responsible for all increased costs associated with the ordinance, order, policy, directive, or change.

# 31. Signatory Warranty

The signatories to this Agreement warrant that each has the authority to enter into this Agreement on behalf of the party represented.

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IN TESTIMONY HEREOF, the parties hereto have caused these presents to be executed in

duplicate counterparts.

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT

By:

Signature

Judge Robert E. Hebert

Printed Name of Signatory

Title:

**County Judge** 

Date:

11-9-10

ATTEST:

Dianne Wilson County Clerk

# THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executed for the Executive Director and approved for the Texas Transportation Commission for the purpose and effect of activating and/or carrying out the orders, established policies or work programs heretofore approved and authorized by the Texas Transportation Commission.

By:

David P. Hohmann, PE

Director, Bridge Division

Date:

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# **ATTACHMENT A**

RESOLUTION OR ORDINANCE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT



# **COUNTY JUDGE**

Fort Bend County, Texas

Robert E. Hebert County Judge (281) 341-8608 Fax (281) 341-8609

September 28, 2010

Mr. Delvin L. Dennis, P.E. District Engineer, Houston District Texas Department of Transportation P.O. Box 1386 Houston, TX 77251-1386

SUBJECT:

Request for Waiver of Local Match Fund

Participation Requirement on Federal Off-System Bridge Program Project

County Fort Bend County

Project: BR

Road/Street Resolution Enclosed NBI Str. No. Resolution Enclosed

Dear Mr. Dennis:

Under the provisions of Texas Administrative Code, Title 43, Section 15.55(d), this Local Government requests waiver of the local match fund participation requirement on the projects contained in the attached resolution of the federal off-system bridge program project referred to as the "participation-waived" project. In return for waiver of this participation, it is proposed that our governing body perform, or cause to be performed, an equivalent dollar amount of structural improvement work on other deficient bridge(s) or deficient mainlane cross-drainage structure(s), referred to as "equivalent-match project(s)", within the jurisdiction of our governing body.

A copy of the appropriate required resolution adopted by our governing body is attached.

If there are any questions or need for additional information, please call Louis E. Hood, P.E. in our Engineering Department at telephone 281-633-7510.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Hebert

Enclosure:

Resolution

Copy:

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For TxDOT Use Only

Waiver Approved
Waiver Disapproved

TX DOT RECEIVED

OCT 14 2010

301 Jackson St., Suite 719 • Richmond, TX 77469

#### RESOLUTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS	IJ
COUNTY OF FORT BEND	Į

On this	28	day of _	September		2010, the Co	ommi	issioner	s Court of
Fort Bend	County,	Texas, bein	g convened at a	regular	meeting o	f the	Court,	upon the
			morrison		seconded	by	Com	missioner
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WHEREAS, the federal off-system bridge program is administered by the Texas Department of Transportation (the State) to replace or rehabilitate structurally deficient and functionally obsolete (collectively referred to as deficient) bridges located on public roads and streets off the designated state highway system; and

**WHEREAS**, Fort Bend County, hereinafter referred to as the Local Government operates and maintains bridges at the following locations: and;

Bridge	National Bridge Inventory No. (NBI)
Fenske Lane at Fairchilds Creek Tributary	12-080-0-AA0962-002
Walker Road at Turkey Creek	12-080-0-AA0905-001
Foster School at Fairchilds Creek Tributar	y 12-080-0-AA0955-001
Tierra Grande Drive at Snake Creek	12-080-0-AA1100-001

**WHEREAS**, projects to remedy these bridges are included in the currently approved program of projects as authorized by Texas Transportation Commission as follows: and;

Location	Comm. Minute Order Number	Date of Order	CSJ Project Number
Fenske Lane	112237	April 29, 2010	0912-34-158
Walker Road	112237	April 29, 2010	0912-34-159
Foster School	112237	April 29, 2010	0912-34-169
Tierra Grande Drive	112237	April 29, 2010	0912-34-170

**WHEREAS**, the usual fund participation ratio for projects on such program is 80 percent federal, 10 percent state and 10 percent Local Government; and

WHEREAS, Texas Administrative Code, Title 43, Section 15.55(d) (43 TAC Section 15.55(d)) provides that under specified conditions the 10 percent Local Government match fund participation requirement may be waived with agreement by the Local Government to perform, or cause to be performed, an equivalent dollar amount of structural improvement work on other deficient mainlane cross-drainage structures within its jurisdiction or the jurisdiction of a geographically adjacent or overlapping governmental unit, such a project of structural improvement work being referred to as an "equivalent-match project"; and

**WHEREAS**, the estimated local match fund participation requirement on the approved federal off-system bridge projects is \$203,111.00 (dollars), hereinafter referred to as the "participation-waived" project, such participation requirement the Local Government proposes be waived and in return perform or cause to be performed equivalent-match project structural improvement work.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Local Government perform, or cause to be performed, the following equivalent-match project(s) in return for waiver of the local match fund participation requirement on the approved federal off-system bridge program (participation-waived) projects not yet awarded:

Location (NBI)

: James Lane at Bessies Creek

(NBI No. 12-080-AA0372-001)

On School Bus Route?

Description of Structural

Improvement Work

Replace existing wood bridge with

new concrete bridge.

**Estimated Cost** 

\$ 250,000.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that in receiving this waiver the Local Government acknowledges its obligation to conform with all conditions of 43 TAC Section 15.55(d); such conditions that include but are not restricted to the following:

- 1. The Local Government must be currently in compliance with load posting and closure regulations as defined in National Bridge Inspection Standards under US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Section 650.303.
- 2. The equivalent-match project work increases the load capacity of the existing bridge or other mainline cross-drainage structure, or upgrades the structure to its original load capacity with a minimum upgrade to safely carry school bus loading if located on a school bus route.
- 3. In performing, or causing to be performed, the equivalent-match project(s), the Local Government assumes all responsibilities for engineering and construction, and complying with all applicable state and federal environmental regulations and permitting requirements for the structures being improved.
- 4. The work on the proposed equivalent-match project(s) has not begun and will not begin until the local match fund participation waiver approval process has been completed.
- 5. The Local Government will be allowed three years after the contract award of the participation-waived project to complete the structural improvement work on the equivalent-match project(s).

6. Should this waiver request be approved, an appropriate written agreement or amendment to a previously executed agreement will be executed between the State and Local Government.

FORT BEND COUNTY

Robert E. Hebert, County Judge

**ATTEST** 

Dianne Wilson, County Clerk

### Item 32 continued - Engineering:

H. Take all appropriate action on Standard Utility Agreement between Fort Bend County and Houston Pipe Line Company LP for pipe line relocation and extension regarding improvements to Greenbusch Road, County expenditure not to exceed \$1,300,493.24; Mobility Bond Project #732, Precinct 3. (Fund: Right of Way)

Moved by Commissioner Meyers Seconded by Commissioner Patterson

Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Standard Utility Agreement between Fort Bend County and Houston Pipe Line Company LP for pipe line relocation and extension regarding improvements to Greenbusch Road, County expenditure not to exceed \$1,300,493.24; Mobility Bond Project #732, Precinct 3. (Fund: Right of Way)

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes



I. Take action to rescind Court's approval of Agenda Item 26 C from Commissioners Court meeting of August 11, 2009, regarding Waiver of Local Match Fund Participation Requirement on Federal Off-System Bridge Program Project, due to a change in the program, Precinct 1.

Moved by Commissioner Morrison Seconded by Commissioner Meyers

Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to rescind Court's approval of Agenda Item 26C from Commissioners Court meeting of August 11, 2009, regarding Waiver of Local Match Fund Participation Requirement on Federal Off-System Bridge Program Project, due to a change in the program.

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

### Item 32 continued - Engineering:

J. Take all appropriate action on Resolution to request revised sites for the Waiver of Local Match Fund Participation Requirement on Federal Off-System Bridge Program Project, Precinct 1.

Moved by Commissioner Morrison Seconded by Commissioner Prestage

Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Resolution to request revised sites for the Waiver of Local Match Fund Participation Requirement on Federal Off-System Bridge Program Project.

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

Note: Revised sites are Fenske Lane at Fairchilds Creek Tributary, Walker Road at Turkey Creek, Foster School at Fairchilds Creek Tributary and Tierra Grande Drive at Snake Creek. The bridge using to match is James Lane at Bessies Creek.

#### 33. FACILITIES MANAGEMENT & PLANNING:

A. Take all appriopriate action on the Second Amendment in the amount of \$15,000 to the Agreement for Architectural and Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and Bailey Architects for a total contract amount not to exceed \$816,410 for services regarding the University Branch Library. (Fund: Facility Bond Project)

Moved by Commissioner Patterson Seconded by Commissioner Meyers

Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve the Second Amendment in the amount of \$15,000 to the Agreement for Architectural and Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and Bailey Architects for a total contract amount not to exceed \$816,410 for services regarding the University Branch Library. (Fund: Facility Bond Project)

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

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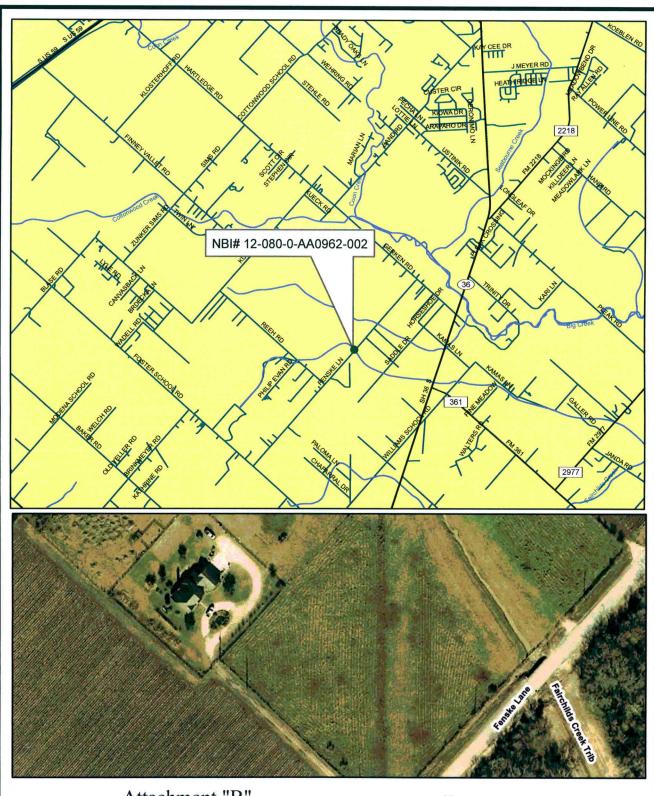
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Location: Fenske Lane at Fairchilds

Creek Tributary

# **ATTACHMENT B**

PROJECT LOCATION MAP



Attachment "B"
Fenske Lane at Fairchilds Creek Trib
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# ATTACHMENT C (See Note \*\*)

# LIST OF DISTRICT ENGINEER APPROVED EQUIVALENT-MATCH PROJECT(S) (EMP)

Location (and structure	On School	Historic	<u> </u>	Estimated Cost
identification number,	Bus Route?	Bridge?	or Safety Improvement	
if applicable)	(Yes/No)	(Yes/No	) Work	
James Lane at Bessies			Replace existing wood	
Creek, NBI No.	Yes	No	bridge with new concrete	
12-080-0-AA0372-001			bridge	\$250,000
		-		
	<u> </u>			#250,000
Total				\$250,000
EMP work credited to this				\$43,318
Balance of EMP work avai				\$206,682
Associated PWP(s) Contro	l-Section-Job (C	CSJ)	Amount to be Credited to Associ	
Walker Road at Turkey Cr				\$33,759
Foster School Road at Fair	childs Creek Tr	ibutary,		***
CSJ 0912-34-169				\$30,008
Tierra Grande Drive at Sna	ike Creek,			<b>6140.015</b>
CSJ 0912-34-170				\$142,915

Note \*: This total should typically equal the "Balance of Local Government Participation" that is waived as shown in Attachment D.

Note\*\*: This attachment not applicable for non-Participation-Waived Projects (PWP)

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# **ATTACHMENT D**

# **ESTIMATE OF DIRECT COSTS**

	Estimated Cost	Local Government <u>Participation</u>
Preliminary Engineering (PE)	(1) \$35,800	
Ten (10) Percent or EDC Adjusted Percent of PE for Local Government Participation		(3) \$3,580
Construction	\$358,000	
Engineering and Contingency (E&C)	\$39,380	
The Sum of Construction and E&C	(2) \$397,380	
Ten (10) Percent or EDC Adjusted Percent of the Sum of Construction and E&C for Local Government Participation		(4) \$39,738
Amount of Advance Funds Paid by Local Government *		(5) \$0
Amount of Advance Funds to be Paid by Local Government *		(6) \$0
Balance of Local Government Participation which is to be Waived where the Project is a PWP		(3+4-5-6) \$43,318
Total Project Direct Cost	(1+2) \$433,180	<u></u>
* Credited Against Local Government Participa	ation Amount	
If this Project is to be a PWP, Amount of EMP Work Being Credited to this PWP as Shown on Attachment C.		\$43,318
Shown on Attachment C.		<u>Ψτυ,υ10</u>

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STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF TRAVIS §

# ADVANCE FUNDING AGREEMENT For Bridge Replacement or Rehabilitation Off the State System

**COUNTY ORIGINAL** 

THIS Advance Funding Agreement (the Agreement) is made by and between the State of Texas, acting by and through the Texas Department of Transportation, hereinafter called the "State", and the Fort Bend County, acting by and through its duly authorized officials, hereinafter called the "Local Government."

#### WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, Title 23, United States Code Section 144 authorizes federal funds to assist the States in the replacement or rehabilitation of deficient bridges located on public highways, roads and streets, including those under the jurisdiction of local governments; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Transportation Code, Sections 201.103 and 222.052 establish that the State shall plan and make policies for the construction of a comprehensive system of state highways and public roads in cooperation with local governments; and

WHEREAS, the Local Government owns a bridge or bridges located on a public road or street located at Walker Road at Turkey Creek and said bridge(s) is included in the currently approved off-state system federal-aid Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program (HBRRP) as authorized by Texas Transportation Commission Minute Order number 112237, dated April 29, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Local Government has approved entering into this Agreement by resolution or ordinance which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Attachment A and which provides for development of the specific programmed replacement or rehabilitation project, hereinafter called the "Project", identified in the location map shown as Attachment B.

**NOW**, **THEREFORE**, in consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenants and agreements of the parties hereto, to be by them respectively kept and performed as hereinafter set forth, it is agreed as follows:

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### **AGREEMENT**

# 1. Period of this Agreement

This Agreement becomes effective when signed by the last party whose signing makes the Agreement fully executed. This Agreement shall remain in effect until terminated as provided in Article 2.

# 2. Conditions for Termination of this Agreement

- a. The Agreement is terminated in writing with the mutual consent of the parties; or
- b. Breach of this Agreement, in which case any cost incurred shall be paid by the breaching party; or
- c. If the Local Government elects not to develop the project and the project does not proceed, in which case the Local Government agrees to reimburse the State for 100 percent of its reasonable actual direct and indirect costs incurred for the project.

#### 3. Amendments

Amendments to this Agreement may be made due to changes in the character of the work, the terms of the Agreement, or the responsibilities of the parties. Amendments shall be enacted through a mutually agreed upon, written amendment executed by all parties to this Agreement.

# 4. Remedies

This Agreement shall not be considered as specifying the exclusive remedy for any Agreement default, but all remedies existing at law and in equity may be availed of by either party to this Agreement and shall be cumulative.

# 5. Scope of Work

The scope of work for this Agreement is the replacement or rehabilitation of the bridge(s) identified in the recitals of this Agreement. This replacement or rehabilitation shall be accomplished in the manner described in the plans, specifications and estimates developed in accordance with this Agreement and which are incorporated herein by reference.

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# 6. Right of Way and Real Property

The Local Government is responsible for the provision and acquisition of all necessary right of way and will not be reimbursed with federal or state funds for the required right of way.

The Local Government authorizes the State, its consultant, contractor, or other designated representative to enter the site(s) of said bridge(s) and adjacent right of way or relocation right of way to perform surveys, inspections, construction and other activities necessary to replace or rehabilitate said bridge and approaches.

# 7. Adjustment of Utilities

The Local Government shall be responsible for the adjustment, removal, or relocation of utility facilities in accordance with applicable State laws, regulations, rules, policies, and procedures, including any cost to the State of a delay resulting from the Local Government's failure to ensure that utility facilities are adjusted, removed, or relocated before the scheduled beginning of construction. The Local Government will not be reimbursed with federal or state funds for the cost of required utility work." The Local Government must obtain advance approval for any variance from established procedures. Before a construction contract is let, the Local Government shall provide, at the State's request, a certification stating that the Local Government has completed the adjustment of all utilities that must be adjusted before construction is completed.

# 8. Environmental Assessment and Mitigation

Development of the Project must comply with the National Environmental Policy Act and the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, which require environmental clearance of federal-aid projects.

- a. The State is responsible for the identification and assessment of any environmental problems associated with the development of the Project governed by this Agreement.
- b. Cost participation in environmental assessment and remediation work shall be paid by the parties in the same ratio as construction costs and will be included in the construction costs identified in Attachment D, "Estimate of Direct Costs".
- c. The State is responsible for providing any public meetings or public hearings required for development of the environmental assessment

The State will not begin construction of the Project until identified environmental problems have been remediated, unless provided for otherwise.

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# 9. Compliance with Texas Accessibility Standards and ADA

All parties to this Agreement shall ensure that the plans for and the construction of the Project subject to this Agreement are in compliance with the Texas Accessibility Standards (TAS) issued by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation, under the Architectural Barriers Act, Article 9102, Texas Civil Statutes. The TAS establishes minimum accessibility requirements to be consistent with minimum accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (P.L. 101-336) (ADA).

# 10. Architectural and Engineering Services will be Provided by the State

The State is responsible for performance of any required architectural or preliminary engineering work. The Local Government may review and comment on the work as required to accomplish the public purposes of the Local Government. The State will cooperate fully with the Local Government in accomplishing these local public purposes to the degree permitted by state and federal law. The Local Government review shall not unduly delay the development of the Project.

### 11. Construction Responsibilities

- a. The State shall advertise for construction bids, issue bid proposals, receive and tabulate the bids and award and administer the contract for construction of the Project. Administration of the contract includes the responsibility for construction engineering and for issuance of any change orders, supplemental agreements, amendments, or additional work orders, which may become necessary subsequent to the award of the construction contract. In order to ensure federal funding eligibility, projects must be authorized by the State prior to advertising for construction.
- b. Upon completion of the Project, the State will issue a "Notification of Completion" acknowledging the Project's construction completion.

### 12. Project Maintenance

After the Project has been completed, the Local Government shall accept full ownership, and operate and maintain the facilities authorized by this Agreement for the benefit of and at no charge of toll to the public. This covenant shall survive the completion of construction under this Agreement.

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# 13. Local Project Sources and Uses of Funds

- a. A Project Cost Estimate is provided in Attachment D, "Estimate of Direct Costs".
- b. Attachment D provides a source of funds estimate as well as the estimated direct preliminary engineering, construction engineering, and construction costs for the Project in total and by the Local Government.
- c. The required Local Government participation is based solely upon the State's estimate of the eligible work at the time this Agreement is executed and will not be adjusted during construction except as needed to include any Project cost item or portion of a cost item ineligible for state or federal participation. In addition to its share of estimated direct engineering and construction costs, the Local Government is responsible for the direct cost of any project cost item or portion of a cost item that is not eligible for federal participation under the federal HBRRP.

  The Local Government is also responsible for any cost resulting from changes made at the request of the Local Government.
- d. After execution of this Agreement, but thirty (30) days prior to the performance of any work by the State, the Local Government will the State in the amount specified in Attachment D for the Local Government's contribution for preliminary engineering. The Local Government will pay at a minimum its funding share for this estimated cost of preliminary engineering.
- e. Forty-five (45) days prior to the date set for receipt of the construction bids, the Local Government shall remit its remaining financial share for the State's estimated construction oversight and construction costs and any other costs owing.
- f. If at the completion or termination of the Project the State determines that additional funding is required by the Local Government, the State shall notify the Local Government in writing. The Local Government shall make payment to the State within thirty (30) days from receipt of the State's written notification.
- g. Whenever funds are paid by the Local Government to the State under this Agreement, the Local Government shall remit a check or warrant made payable to the "Texas Department of Transportation Trust Fund." The check or warrant shall be deposited by the State in an escrow account to be managed by the State. Funds in the escrow account may only be applied to the State Project.
- h. Upon completion of the Project, the State will perform an audit of the Project costs. Any funds due to the Local Government, the State, or the Federal Government will be promptly paid by the owing party.
- i. The State will not pay interest on any funds provided by the Local Government.
- j. The Local Government funding participation responsibilities include Project direct costs only, except when the Project is terminated before completion at the request of the Local Government as addressed in the Termination provision of this Agreement.

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- k. The amounts shown on Attachment D are estimates only. If actual costs exceed the estimates, this shall be considered a fixed price agreement, and no additional funding shall be required of the Local Government except to the extent that the additional costs result from changes made at the request of the Local Government or to the extent that the additional costs are not eligible for federal participation under the Federal Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program. If actual costs are less than the estimates, Local Government participation shall be recalculated based on actual costs. If the recalculation results in a reduction in participation by the Local Government, the State shall pay the difference to the Local Government upon completion of the Project.
- I. Under the provisions of Texas Transportation Code Section 222.053 certain counties qualify as Economically Disadvantaged Counties (EDC) in comparison to other counties in the state as below average per capita property value, and below average per capita income, and above average unemployment, for certain years. If applicable, in consideration of such EDC status that may be applicable for the Project, the required local match fund participation has been adjusted to N/A percent.
- m. The State will not execute the contract for the construction of a Project until the required funding has been made available by the Local Government in accordance with this Agreement.
- n. The state auditor may conduct an audit or investigation of any entity receiving funds from the state directly under the contract or indirectly through a subcontract under the contract. Acceptance of funds directly under the contract or indirectly through a subcontract under this contract acts as acceptance of the authority of the state auditor, under the direction of the legislative audit committee, to conduct an audit or investigation in connection with those funds. An entity that is the subject of an audit or investigation must provide the state auditor with access to any information the state auditor considers relevant to the investigation or audit.
- 14. Performance by Local Government of Equivalent-Match Projects (EMPs) in Return for Waiver of Local Match Participation Funding on Participation-Waived Projects (PWPs)
  - a. Applicability. If a request for waiver has been received and approved by the State's District Engineer, then the required ten percent matching fund participation or percent as adjusted for EDC consideration, as shown in Attachment D, "Estimate of Direct Costs", but excluding ineligible costs under the bridge program, is waived. This waiver is based on the commitment of the Local Government to spend an equivalent amount of funds for structural or safety improvement on "other" bridge structures and other conditions as specified in 43 TAC Section 15.55(d). If a waiver has been granted, the

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Project shall be defined to be a Participation-Waived Project (PWP) and the work on the "other" bridge structures that will be improved by the Local Government shall be defined to be the Equivalent-Match Project(s) (EMP). Attachment C to this Agreement shows a list of EMP(s) under this Agreement.

- b. Project Cost Estimate for PWP. Attachment D to this Agreement shows the estimated direct preliminary engineering, construction engineering and construction costs for the PWP in total and local match fund participation being waived, or partially waived.
- c. Credit Against EMP Work. Any local match fund participation that has already been paid, or which the Local Government is agreeable to paying to the State, will be credited against EMP work to be performed by the Local Government. If applicable, this credit(s) will be reflected in Attachment D to this Agreement.
- d. Responsibilities of the Local Government on EMP(s).
  - The Local Government shall be responsible for all engineering and construction. and related costs thereto, and complying with all applicable state and federal environmental regulations and permitting requirements.
  - (2) The structural or safety improvement work on the EMP(s) shall be performed subsequent to the final execution of this Agreement but within three (3) calendar years after the earliest contract award of the related PWP(s).
  - Written documentation, suitable for audit, of the structural or safety improvement work completed on the EMP(s) shall be kept on file by the Local Government for four (4) years after completion of work or claims, lawsuits, or audits related thereto, whichever is longer. A notice of completion of work on the EMP(s) shall be delivered to the State's District Engineer no later than thirty (30) calendar days after work is completed on the EMP(s).
  - Failure by the Local Government to adequately complete the EMP(s) within the stated three-year period shall result in the Local Government being excluded from receiving such waivers for a minimum of five (5) years.
- e. Funding of Ineligible or Additional Work Not Waived. Regardless of any waiver of eligible program costs, the Local Government shall pay the State 100 percent of the cost of any PWP item or portion of a cost item that is not eligible for federal or state participation, and 100 percent of the costs resulting from additional work on the PWP performed solely at the request of the Local Government. If the ineligible or additional work is preliminary engineering, the payment shall be made at least thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of preliminary engineering work on the PWP.

If the ineligible or additional work is for construction or construction engineering, the payment shall be made at least forty-five (45) days prior to the date set for receipt of bids for construction of the PWP.

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#### 15. Notices

All notices to either party by the other required under this Agreement shall be delivered personally or sent by certified or U.S. mail, postage prepaid, addressed to such party at the following addresses:

State: Mr. Delvin L. Dennis, P.E.

District Engineer

Texas Department of Transportation

P.O. Box 1386

Houston, Texas 77251-1386

Local Government: The Honorable Robert E. Hebert

County Judge, Fort Bend County

301 Jackson, Suite 719 Richmond, Texas 77469

All notices shall be deemed given on the date so delivered or so deposited in the mail, unless otherwise provided herein. Either party may change the above address by sending written notice of the change to the other party. Either party may request in writing that such notices shall be delivered personally or by certified U.S. mail and such request shall be honored and carried out by the other party.

### 16. Legal Construction

In case one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall for any reason be held invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provisions and this Agreement shall be construed as if it did not contain the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision.

### 17. Responsibilities of the Parties

The parties to this Agreement agree that no party is an agent, servant, or employee of the other party and each party agrees it is responsible for its individual acts and deeds as well as the acts and deeds of its contractors, employees, representatives, and agents.

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# 18. Ownership of Documents

Upon completion or termination of this Agreement, all documents prepared by the State shall remain the property of the State. All data prepared under this Agreement shall be made available to the State without restriction or limitation on their further use.

All documents produced or approved or otherwise created by the Local Government shall be transmitted to the State in the form of photocopy reproduction on a monthly basis as required by the State. The originals shall remain the property of the Local Government. At the request of the State, the Local Government shall submit any information required by the State in the format directed by the State.

# 19. Compliance with Laws

The parties shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations, and the orders and decrees of any courts or administrative bodies or tribunals in any manner affecting the performance of this Agreement. When required, the Local Government shall furnish the State with satisfactory proof of this compliance.

### 20. Sole Agreement

This Agreement constitutes the sole and only agreement between the parties and supersedes any prior understandings or written or oral agreements respecting this Agreement's subject matter.

# 21. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Cost Principles

In order to be reimbursed with federal funds, the parties shall comply with the Cost Principles established in OMB Circular A-87 that specify that all reimbursed costs are allowable, reasonable and allocable to the Project.

# 22. Procurement and Property Management Standards

The parties shall adhere to the procurement standards established in Title 49 CFR §18.36 and with the property management standard established in Title 49 CFR §18.32.

# 23. Inspection of Books and Records

The parties to the Agreement shall maintain all books, documents, papers, accounting records and other documentation relating to costs incurred under this Agreement and shall make such materials available to the State, the Local Government, and, if federally funded,

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the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and the U.S. Office of the Inspector General, or their duly authorized representatives for review and inspection at its office during the contract period and for four (4) years from the date of completion of work defined under this contract or until any impending litigation, or claims are resolved. Additionally, the State, the Local Government, and the FHWA and their duly authorized representatives shall have access to all the governmental records that are directly applicable to this Agreement for the purpose of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.

In accordance with Section 902 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), should this agreement involve the expenditure of ARRA funds, then the U.S. Comptroller General and its representatives shall have the authority to:

- **a.** examine any records of the contractor or any of its subcontractors, or any State or local agency administering such contract, that directly pertain to, and involve transactions relating to the contract or subcontract; and
- **b.** interview any officer or employee of the contractor or any of its subcontractors, or any State or local agency administering the contract regarding such contracts.

Nothing in the section previously mentioned shall be interpreted to limit or restrict in any way the existing authority of the Comptroller General.

In accordance with Section 1515(a) of the ARRA, with respect to each contract or grant awarded using covered funds, any representative of an appropriate inspector general appointed under Section 3 or 8G of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.), is authorized:

- a. to examine any records of the contractor or grantee, any of its subcontractors or subgrantees, or any State or local agency administering such contract that pertain to and involve transactions relating to the contract, subcontract, grant, or subgrant; and
- **b.** to interview any officer or employee of the contractor, grantee or subgrantee, or agency regarding such transactions.

Section 1515(b) further provides that nothing in the section previously mentioned shall be interpreted to limit or restrict in any way the existing authority of an inspector general.

The ARRA requires that the Contractor report monthly employment information for its firm as well as that of all of its subcontractors. The Contractor, similarly, shall include this reporting requirement in all of its subcontracts. Failing to include the requirement in agreements with subcontractors can serve as grounds for contract termination.

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Form FHWA-1589, Monthly Employment Report, promulgated by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), captures the necessary monthly employment information and shall be submitted by the Contractor on a regular basis to the LG (Local Government). It is the responsibility of the LG to obtain this form from the prime Contractor and any subcontractors and, the LG shall verify the accuracy, completeness, and reasonableness of the data contained in the form. The LG shall ensure that this form is submitted by the LG to the State according to the policies and at the direction of the State.

In order to meet any other FHWA and ARRA reporting requirements, the LG shall provide to the State all information requested by the State, including data or information in possession of contractors and subcontractors for completing other necessary reporting forms, and the information shall be submitted in the manner required and according to all due dates as set by the State.

# 24. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Audit Requirements

The parties shall comply with the requirements of the Single Audit Act of 1984, P.L. 98-502, ensuring that the single audit report includes the coverage stipulated in OMB Circular No. A-128 through August 31, 2000 and stipulated in OMB Circular A-133 after August 31, 2000.

# 25. Civil Rights Compliance

The parties to this Agreement shall comply with the regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation as they relate to nondiscrimination (49 CFR Chapter 21 and 23 CFR §710.405(B)), and Executive Order 11246 titled "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order 11375 and supplemented in the Department of Labor Regulations (41 CFR Part 60).

# 26. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Requirements

The parties shall comply with the Disadvantaged/Minority Business Enterprise Program requirements established in 49 CFR Part 26.

### 27. Debarment Certifications

The parties are prohibited from making any award at any tier to any party that is debarred or suspended or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal Assistance Programs under Executive Order 12549, "Debarment and Suspension." By

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executing this agreement, the Local Government certifies that it is not currently debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal Assistance Programs under Executive Order 12549. The parties to this contract shall require any party to a subcontract or purchase order awarded under this contract to certify its eligibility to receive Federal funds and, when requested by the State, to furnish a copy of the certification.

# 28. Lobbying Certification

In executing this Agreement, the signatories certify to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- a. No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of the parties to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- b. If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with federal contracts, grants, loans, or cooperative agreements, the signatory for the Local Government shall complete and submit the Federal Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- c. The parties shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

By executing this Agreement, the parties affirm this lobbying certification with respect to the Project and affirm this certification of the material representation of facts upon which reliance will be made. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Title 31 U.S.C. §1352. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

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## 29. Successors and Assigns

The State and the Local Government each binds itself, its successors, executors, assigns, and administrators to the other party to this Agreement and to the successors, executors, assigns, and administrators of such other party in respect to all covenants of this Agreement.

#### 30. Local Government Restrictions

In the case that the local government has an existing, future or proposed local ordinance commissioners court order, rule policy, or other directive that is more restrictive than the state or federal regulations that results in an increase cost to the State for the project, the local government is responsible for all increased costs associated with the ordinance, order, policy, directive, or change.

## 31. Signatory Warranty

The signatories to this Agreement warrant that each has the authority to enter into this Agreement on behalf of the party represented.

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**IN TESTIMONY HEREOF**, the parties hereto have caused these presents to be executed in duplicate counterparts.

THE L	OCAL GOVERNMENT  Signature	- X X X
	Judge Robert F. Hebert Printed Name of Signatory	_ COUNT LEARNING TO COUNT LEARNING THE COUNT LEARNING TO COUNT LEARNING THE COUNT LEARNING TO COUNT LEARNING TO COUNT LEARNING TO COUNT LE
Title:	County Judge	- ATTEST: Dullan
Date:	11-9-10	Dianne Wilson County Clerk

## THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executed for the Executive Director and approved for the Texas Transportation Commission for the purpose and effect of activating and/or carrying out the orders, established policies or work programs heretofore approved and authorized by the Texas Transportation Commission.

By:

David P. Hohmann, PE

Director, Bridge Division

Date:

12/8/2010

Dan P. Holan

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# **ATTACHMENT A**

RESOLUTION OR ORDINANCE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT



## **COUNTY JUDGE**

Fort Bend County, Texas

Robert E. Hebert County Judge (281) 341-8608 Fax (281) 341-8609

September 28, 2010

Mr. Delvin L. Dennis, P.E. District Engineer, Houston District Texas Department of Transportation P.O. Box 1386 Houston, TX 77251-1386

SUBJECT:

Request for Waiver of Local Match Fund Participation Requirement on Federal

Off-System Bridge Program Project

County Fort Bend County

Project: BR

Road/Street Resolution Enclosed NBI Str. No. Resolution Enclosed

Dear Mr. Dennis:

Under the provisions of Texas Administrative Code, Title 43, Section 15.55(d), this Local Government requests waiver of the local match fund participation requirement on the projects contained in the attached resolution of the federal off-system bridge program project referred to as the "participation-waived" project. In return for waiver of this participation, it is proposed that our governing body perform, or cause to be performed, an equivalent dollar amount of structural improvement work on other deficient bridge(s) or deficient mainlane cross-drainage structure(s), referred to as "equivalent-match project(s)", within the jurisdiction of our governing body.

A copy of the appropriate required resolution adopted by our governing body is attached.

If there are any questions or need for additional information, please call Louis E. Hood, P.E. in our Engineering Department at telephone 281-633-7510.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Hebert

Enclosure:

Resolution

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For TxDOT Use Only

Waiver Approved

Waiver Disapproved

TX DOT RECEIVED

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301 Jackson St., Suite 719 • Richmond, TX 77469

## **RESOLUTION**

THE STATE OF TEXAS	$\downarrow$
COUNTY OF FORT BEND	1

On this28	day of <i>Septe</i>	nber	, 2	010, the Co	mmi	ssioner	s Court	of
Fort Bend County,	Texas, being conve	ned at a	regular	meeting of	the	Court,	upon th	1e
motion of Comm	nissioner knorv	ison		seconded			•	
Prestage	duly put and c	arried.	<del></del>		•			

WHEREAS, the federal off-system bridge program is administered by the Texas Department of Transportation (the State) to replace or rehabilitate structurally deficient and functionally obsolete (collectively referred to as deficient) bridges located on public roads and streets off the designated state highway system; and

WHEREAS, Fort Bend County, hereinafter referred to as the Local Government operates and maintains bridges at the following locations: and;

Bridge	National Bridge Inventory No. (NBI)
Fenske Lane at Fairchilds Creek Tributary	12-080-0-AA0962-002
Walker Road at Turkey Creek	12-080-0-AA0905-001
Foster School at Fairchilds Creek Tributar	y 12-080-0-AA0955-001
Tierra Grande Drive at Snake Creek	12-080-0-AA1100-001

WHEREAS, projects to remedy these bridges are included in the currently approved program of projects as authorized by Texas Transportation Commission as follows: and;

Location	Comm. Minute Order Number	Date of Order	CSJ Project Number
Fenske Lane	112237	April 29, 2010	0912-34-158
Walker Road	112237	April 29, 2010	0912-34-159
Foster School	112237	April 29, 2010	0912-34-169
Tierra Grande Drive	112237	April 29, 2010	0912-34-170

**WHEREAS**, the usual fund participation ratio for projects on such program is 80 percent federal, 10 percent state and 10 percent Local Government; and

WHEREAS, Texas Administrative Code, Title 43, Section 15.55(d) (43 TAC Section 15.55(d)) provides that under specified conditions the 10 percent Local Government match fund participation requirement may be waived with agreement by the Local Government to perform, or cause to be performed, an equivalent dollar amount of structural improvement work on other deficient mainlane cross-drainage structures within its jurisdiction or the jurisdiction of a geographically adjacent or overlapping governmental unit, such a project of structural improvement work being referred to as an "equivalent-match project"; and

WHEREAS, the estimated local match fund participation requirement on the approved federal off-system bridge projects is \$203,111.00 (dollars), hereinafter referred to as the "participation-waived" project, such participation requirement the Local Government proposes be waived and in return perform or cause to be performed equivalent-match project structural improvement work.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Local Government perform, or cause to be performed, the following equivalent-match project(s) in return for waiver of the local match fund participation requirement on the approved federal off-system bridge program (participation-waived) projects not yet awarded:

Location (NBI)

: James Lane at Bessies Creek

(NBI No. 12-080-AA0372-001)

On School Bus Route?

Description of Structural

Improvement Work

Replace existing wood bridge with

new concrete bridge.

Estimated Cost

\$ 250,000.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that in receiving this waiver the Local Government acknowledges its obligation to conform with all conditions of 43 TAC Section 15.55(d); such conditions that include but are not restricted to the following:

- 1. The Local Government must be currently in compliance with load posting and closure regulations as defined in National Bridge Inspection Standards under US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Section 650.303.
- 2. The equivalent-match project work increases the load capacity of the existing bridge or other mainline cross-drainage structure, or upgrades the structure to its original load capacity with a minimum upgrade to safely carry school bus loading if located on a school bus route.
- 3. In performing, or causing to be performed, the equivalent-match project(s), the Local Government assumes all responsibilities for engineering and construction, and complying with all applicable state and federal environmental regulations and permitting requirements for the structures being improved.
- 4. The work on the proposed equivalent-match project(s) has not begun and will not begin until the local match fund participation waiver approval process has been completed.
- 5. The Local Government will be allowed three years after the contract award of the participation-waived project to complete the structural improvement work on the equivalent-match project(s).

6. Should this waiver request be approved, an appropriate written agreement or amendment to a previously executed agreement will be executed between the State and Local Government.

FORT BEND COUNTY

Robert E. Hebert, County Judge

ATTEST:

Dianne Wilson, County Clerk

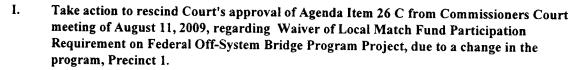
# Item 32 continued - Engineering:

H. Take all appropriate action on Standard Utility Agreement between Fort Bend County and Houston Pipe Line Company LP for pipe line relocation and extension regarding improvements to Greenbusch Road, County expenditure not to exceed \$1,300,493.24; Mobility Bond Project #732, Precinct 3. (Fund: Right of Way)

Moved by Commissioner Meyers Seconded by Commissioner Patterson

Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Standard Utility Agreement between Fort Bend County and Houston Pipe Line Company LP for pipe line relocation and extension regarding improvements to Greenbusch Road, County expenditure not to exceed \$1,300,493.24; Mobility Bond Project #732, Precinct 3. (Fund: Right of Way)

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes



Moved by Commissioner Morrison Seconded by Commissioner Meyers

Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to rescind Court's approval of Agenda Item 26C from Commissioners Court meeting of August 11, 2009, regarding Waiver of Local Match Fund Participation Requirement on Federal Off-System Bridge Program Project, due to a change in the program.

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

#### Item 32 continued - Engineering:

J. Take all appropriate action on Resolution to request revised sites for the Waiver of Local Match Fund Participation Requirement on Federal Off-System Bridge Program Project, Precinct 1.

Moved by Commissioner Morrison Seconded by Commissioner Prestage

Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Resolution to request revised sites for the Waiver of Local Match Fund Participation Requirement on Federal Off-System Bridge Program Project.

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

Note: Revised sites are Fenske Lane at Fairchilds Creek Tributary, Walker Road at Turkey Creek, Foster School at Fairchilds Creek Tributary and Tierra Grande Drive at Snake Creek. The bridge using to match is James Lane at Bessies Creek.

#### 33. FACILITIES MANAGEMENT & PLANNING:

A. Take all appriopriate action on the Second Amendment in the amount of \$15,000 to the Agreement for Architectural and Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and Bailey Architects for a total contract amount not to exceed \$816,410 for services regarding the University Branch Library. (Fund: Facility Bond Project)

Moved by Commissioner Patterson Seconded by Commissioner Meyers

Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve the Second Amendment in the amount of \$15,000 to the Agreement for Architectural and Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and Bailey Architects for a total contract amount not to exceed \$816,410 for services regarding the University Branch Library. (Fund: Facility Bond Project)

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

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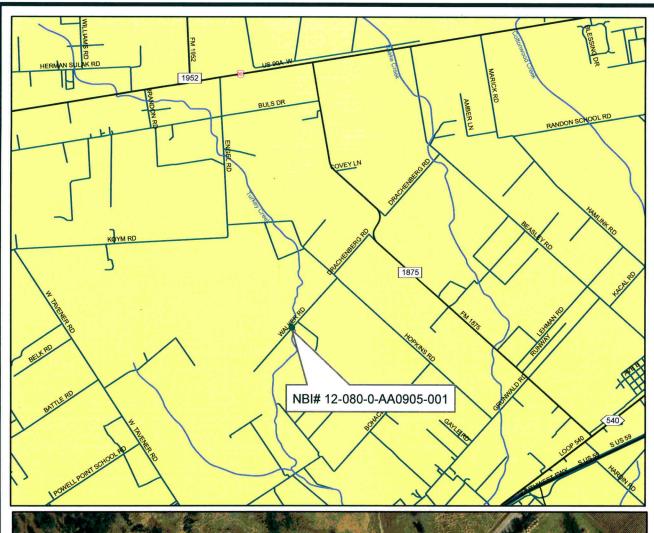
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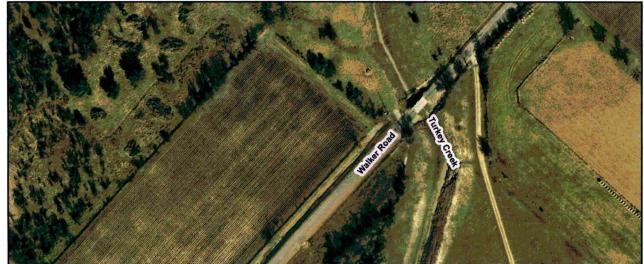
Location: Walker Road at Turkey

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# **ATTACHMENT B**

PROJECT LOCATION MAP





Attachment "B" Walker Road at Turkey Creek CSJ 0912-34-159

NBI# 12-080-0-AA0905-001 Fort Bend County





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Project: BR ( )

NBI Structure#12-080-0-AA0905-001

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Location: Walker Road at Turkey

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# **ATTACHMENT C** (See Note \*\*)

# LIST OF DISTRICT ENGINEER APPROVED EQUIVALENT-MATCH PROJECT(S) (EMP)

Location (and structure	On School	Historic	Description of Structural	Estimated Cost
identification number,	Bus Route?	Bridge?	or Safety Improvement	
if applicable)	(Yes/No)	(Yes/No)	Work	
James Lane at Bessies			Replace existing wood	
Creek, NBI No.	Yes	No	bridge with new concrete	
12-080-0-AA0372-001			bridge	\$250,000
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Total	<u> </u>			\$250,000
EMP work credited to this	PWP (See Note	*)		\$33,759
Balance of EMP work avai	lable to associa	ted PWP(s)		\$216,241
Associated PWP(s) Contro	l-Section-Job (C	CSJ) A	amount to be Credited to Assoc	<del> </del>
Fenske Lane at Fairchilds (				
CSJ 0912-34-158				\$43,318
Foster School Road at Faire	childs Creek Tr	ibutary,		
CSJ 0912-34-169				\$30,008
Tierra Grande Drive at Sna	ke Creek,			
CSJ 0912-34-170				\$142,915

Note \*: This total should typically equal the "Balance of Local Government Participation" that is waived as shown in Attachment D.

Note\*\*: This attachment not applicable for non-Participation-Waived Projects (PWP)

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Location: Walker Road at Turkey Creek

# ATTACHMENT D

# **ESTIMATE OF DIRECT COSTS**

	Estimated Cost	Local Government <u>Participation</u>
Preliminary Engineering (PE)	(1) \$27,900	
Ten (10) Percent or EDC Adjusted Percent of PE for Local Government Participation		(3) \$2,790
Construction	\$279,000	
Engineering and Contingency (E&C)	\$30,690	
The Sum of Construction and E&C	(2) \$309,690	
Ten (10) Percent or EDC Adjusted Percent of the Sum of Construction and E&C for Local Government Participation		(4) \$30,969
Amount of Advance Funds Paid by Local Government *		(5) \$0
Amount of Advance Funds to be Paid by Local Government *		(6) \$0
Balance of Local Government Participation which is to be Waived where the Project is a PWP		(3+4-5-6) \$33,759
Total Project Direct Cost	(1+2) \$337,590	<u> </u>
* Credited Against Local Government Participa	ation Amount	
If this Project is to be a PWP, Amount of EMP Work Being Credited to this PWP as Shown on Attachment C.		\$33,759

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Location: Foster School Road at Fairchilds Creek Tributary

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF TRAVIS §

**COUNTY ORIGINAL** 

# ADVANCE FUNDING AGREEMENT For Bridge Replacement or Rehabilitation Off the State System

**THIS Advance Funding Agreement (the Agreement)** is made by and between the State of Texas, acting by and through the Texas Department of Transportation, hereinafter called the "State", and the Fort Bend County, acting by and through its duly authorized officials, hereinafter called the "Local Government."

#### WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, Title 23, United States Code Section 144 authorizes federal funds to assist the States in the replacement or rehabilitation of deficient bridges located on public highways, roads and streets, including those under the jurisdiction of local governments; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Transportation Code, Sections 201.103 and 222.052 establish that the State shall plan and make policies for the construction of a comprehensive system of state highways and public roads in cooperation with local governments; and

WHEREAS, the Local Government owns a bridge or bridges located on a public road or street located at Foster School Road at Fairchilds Creek Tributary and said bridge(s) is included in the currently approved off-state system federal-aid Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program (HBRRP) as authorized by Texas Transportation Commission Minute Order number 112237, dated April 29, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Local Government has approved entering into this Agreement by resolution or ordinance which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Attachment A and which provides for development of the specific programmed replacement or rehabilitation project, hereinafter called the "Project", identified in the location map shown as Attachment B.

**NOW**, **THEREFORE**, in consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenants and agreements of the parties hereto, to be by them respectively kept and performed as hereinafter set forth, it is agreed as follows:

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#### **AGREEMENT**

## 1. Period of this Agreement

This Agreement becomes effective when signed by the last party whose signing makes the Agreement fully executed. This Agreement shall remain in effect until terminated as provided in Article 2.

# 2. Conditions for Termination of this Agreement

- a. The Agreement is terminated in writing with the mutual consent of the parties; or
- b. Breach of this Agreement, in which case any cost incurred shall be paid by the breaching party; or
- c. If the Local Government elects not to develop the project and the project does not proceed, in which case the Local Government agrees to reimburse the State for 100 percent of its reasonable actual direct and indirect costs incurred for the project.

#### 3. Amendments

Amendments to this Agreement may be made due to changes in the character of the work, the terms of the Agreement, or the responsibilities of the parties. Amendments shall be enacted through a mutually agreed upon, written amendment executed by all parties to this Agreement.

#### 4. Remedies

This Agreement shall not be considered as specifying the exclusive remedy for any Agreement default, but all remedies existing at law and in equity may be availed of by either party to this Agreement and shall be cumulative.

## 5. Scope of Work

The scope of work for this Agreement is the replacement or rehabilitation of the bridge(s) identified in the recitals of this Agreement. This replacement or rehabilitation shall be accomplished in the manner described in the plans, specifications and estimates developed in accordance with this Agreement and which are incorporated herein by reference.

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## 6. Right of Way and Real Property

The Local Government is responsible for the provision and acquisition of all necessary right of way and will not be reimbursed with federal or state funds for the required right of way.

The Local Government authorizes the State, its consultant, contractor, or other designated representative to enter the site(s) of said bridge(s) and adjacent right of way or relocation right of way to perform surveys, inspections, construction and other activities necessary to replace or rehabilitate said bridge and approaches.

## 7. Adjustment of Utilities

The Local Government shall be responsible for the adjustment, removal, or relocation of utility facilities in accordance with applicable State laws, regulations, rules, policies, and procedures, including any cost to the State of a delay resulting from the Local Government's failure to ensure that utility facilities are adjusted, removed, or relocated before the scheduled beginning of construction. The Local Government will not be reimbursed with federal or state funds for the cost of required utility work." The Local Government must obtain advance approval for any variance from established procedures. Before a construction contract is let, the Local Government shall provide, at the State's request, a certification stating that the Local Government has completed the adjustment of all utilities that must be adjusted before construction is completed.

## 8. Environmental Assessment and Mitigation

Development of the Project must comply with the National Environmental Policy Act and the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, which require environmental clearance of federal-aid projects.

- a. The State is responsible for the identification and assessment of any environmental problems associated with the development of the Project governed by this Agreement.
- b. Cost participation in environmental assessment and remediation work shall be paid by the parties in the same ratio as construction costs and will be included in the construction costs identified in Attachment D, "Estimate of Direct Costs".
- c. The State is responsible for providing any public meetings or public hearings required for development of the environmental assessment

The State will not begin construction of the Project until identified environmental problems have been remediated, unless provided for otherwise.

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# 9. Compliance with Texas Accessibility Standards and ADA

All parties to this Agreement shall ensure that the plans for and the construction of the Project subject to this Agreement are in compliance with the Texas Accessibility Standards (TAS) issued by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation, under the Architectural Barriers Act, Article 9102, Texas Civil Statutes. The TAS establishes minimum accessibility requirements to be consistent with minimum accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (P.L. 101-336) (ADA).

## 10. Architectural and Engineering Services will be Provided by the State

The State is responsible for performance of any required architectural or preliminary engineering work. The Local Government may review and comment on the work as required to accomplish the public purposes of the Local Government. The State will cooperate fully with the Local Government in accomplishing these local public purposes to the degree permitted by state and federal law. The Local Government review shall not unduly delay the development of the Project.

#### 11. Construction Responsibilities

- a. The State shall advertise for construction bids, issue bid proposals, receive and tabulate the bids and award and administer the contract for construction of the Project. Administration of the contract includes the responsibility for construction engineering and for issuance of any change orders, supplemental agreements, amendments, or additional work orders, which may become necessary subsequent to the award of the construction contract. In order to ensure federal funding eligibility, projects must be authorized by the State prior to advertising for construction.
- b. Upon completion of the Project, the State will issue a "Notification of Completion" acknowledging the Project's construction completion.

#### 12. Project Maintenance

After the Project has been completed, the Local Government shall accept full ownership, and operate and maintain the facilities authorized by this Agreement for the benefit of and at no charge of toll to the public. This covenant shall survive the completion of construction under this Agreement.

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## 13. Local Project Sources and Uses of Funds

- a. A Project Cost Estimate is provided in Attachment D, "Estimate of Direct Costs".
- b. Attachment D provides a source of funds estimate as well as the estimated direct preliminary engineering, construction engineering, and construction costs for the Project in total and by the Local Government.
- c. The required Local Government participation is based solely upon the State's estimate of the eligible work at the time this Agreement is executed and will not be adjusted during construction except as needed to include any Project cost item or portion of a cost item ineligible for state or federal participation. In addition to its share of estimated direct engineering and construction costs, the Local Government is responsible for the direct cost of any project cost item or portion of a cost item that is not eligible for federal participation under the federal HBRRP.

  The Local Government is also responsible for any cost resulting from changes made at the request of the Local Government.
- d. After execution of this Agreement, but thirty (30) days prior to the performance of any work by the State, the Local Government will the State in the amount specified in Attachment D for the Local Government's contribution for preliminary engineering. The Local Government will pay at a minimum its funding share for this estimated cost of preliminary engineering.
- e. Forty-five (45) days prior to the date set for receipt of the construction bids, the Local Government shall remit its remaining financial share for the State's estimated construction oversight and construction costs and any other costs owing.
- f. If at the completion or termination of the Project the State determines that additional funding is required by the Local Government, the State shall notify the Local Government in writing. The Local Government shall make payment to the State within thirty (30) days from receipt of the State's written notification.
- g. Whenever funds are paid by the Local Government to the State under this Agreement, the Local Government shall remit a check or warrant made payable to the "Texas Department of Transportation Trust Fund." The check or warrant shall be deposited by the State in an escrow account to be managed by the State. Funds in the escrow account may only be applied to the State Project.
- h. Upon completion of the Project, the State will perform an audit of the Project costs. Any funds due to the Local Government, the State, or the Federal Government will be promptly paid by the owing party.
- i. The State will not pay interest on any funds provided by the Local Government.
- j. The Local Government funding participation responsibilities include Project direct costs only, except when the Project is terminated before completion at the request of the Local Government as addressed in the Termination provision of this Agreement.

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- k. The amounts shown on Attachment D are estimates only. If actual costs exceed the estimates, this shall be considered a fixed price agreement, and no additional funding shall be required of the Local Government except to the extent that the additional costs result from changes made at the request of the Local Government or to the extent that the additional costs are not eligible for federal participation under the Federal Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program. If actual costs are less than the estimates, Local Government participation shall be recalculated based on actual costs. If the recalculation results in a reduction in participation by the Local Government, the State shall pay the difference to the Local Government upon completion of the Project.
- I. Under the provisions of Texas Transportation Code Section 222.053 certain counties qualify as Economically Disadvantaged Counties (EDC) in comparison to other counties in the state as below average per capita property value, and below average per capita income, and above average unemployment, for certain years. If applicable, in consideration of such EDC status that may be applicable for the Project, the required local match fund participation has been adjusted to N/A percent.
- m. The State will not execute the contract for the construction of a Project until the required funding has been made available by the Local Government in accordance with this Agreement.
- n. The state auditor may conduct an audit or investigation of any entity receiving funds from the state directly under the contract or indirectly through a subcontract under the contract. Acceptance of funds directly under the contract or indirectly through a subcontract under this contract acts as acceptance of the authority of the state auditor, under the direction of the legislative audit committee, to conduct an audit or investigation in connection with those funds. An entity that is the subject of an audit or investigation must provide the state auditor with access to any information the state auditor considers relevant to the investigation or audit.
- 14. Performance by Local Government of Equivalent-Match Projects (EMPs) in Return for Waiver of Local Match Participation Funding on Participation-Waived Projects (PWPs)
  - a. Applicability. If a request for waiver has been received and approved by the State's District Engineer, then the required ten percent matching fund participation or percent as adjusted for EDC consideration, as shown in Attachment D, "Estimate of Direct Costs", but excluding ineligible costs under the bridge program, is waived. This waiver is based on the commitment of the Local Government to spend an equivalent amount of funds for structural or safety improvement on "other" bridge structures and other conditions as specified in 43 TAC Section 15.55(d). If a waiver has been granted, the

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Project shall be defined to be a Participation-Waived Project (PWP) and the work on the "other" bridge structures that will be improved by the Local Government shall be defined to be the Equivalent-Match Project(s) (EMP). Attachment C to this Agreement shows a list of EMP(s) under this Agreement.

- b. Project Cost Estimate for PWP. Attachment D to this Agreement shows the estimated direct preliminary engineering, construction engineering and construction costs for the PWP in total and local match fund participation being waived, or partially waived.
- c. Credit Against EMP Work. Any local match fund participation that has already been paid, or which the Local Government is agreeable to paying to the State, will be credited against EMP work to be performed by the Local Government. If applicable, this credit(s) will be reflected in Attachment D to this Agreement.
- d. Responsibilities of the Local Government on EMP(s).
  - (1) The Local Government shall be responsible for all engineering and construction, and related costs thereto, and complying with all applicable state and federal environmental regulations and permitting requirements.
  - (2) The structural or safety improvement work on the EMP(s) shall be performed subsequent to the final execution of this Agreement but within three (3) calendar years after the earliest contract award of the related PWP(s).
  - (3) Written documentation, suitable for audit, of the structural or safety improvement work completed on the EMP(s) shall be kept on file by the Local Government for four (4) years after completion of work or claims, lawsuits, or audits related thereto, whichever is longer. A notice of completion of work on the EMP(s) shall be delivered to the State's District Engineer no later than thirty (30) calendar days after work is completed on the EMP(s).
  - (4) Failure by the Local Government to adequately complete the EMP(s) within the stated three-year period shall result in the Local Government being excluded from receiving such waivers for a minimum of five (5) years.
- e. Funding of Ineligible or Additional Work Not Waived. Regardless of any waiver of eligible program costs, the Local Government shall pay the State 100 percent of the cost of any PWP item or portion of a cost item that is not eligible for federal or state participation, and 100 percent of the costs resulting from additional work on the PWP performed solely at the request of the Local Government. If the ineligible or additional work is preliminary engineering, the payment shall be made at least thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of preliminary engineering work on the PWP.

If the ineligible or additional work is for construction or construction engineering, the payment shall be made at least forty-five (45) days prior to the date set for receipt of bids for construction of the PWP.

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#### 15. Notices

All notices to either party by the other required under this Agreement shall be delivered personally or sent by certified or U.S. mail, postage prepaid, addressed to such party at the following addresses:

State: Mr. Delvin L. Dennis, P.E.

District Engineer

Texas Department of Transportation

P.O. Box 1386

Houston, Texas 77251-1386

Local Government: The Honorable Robert E. Hebert

County Judge, Fort Bend County

301 Jackson, Suite 719 Richmond, Texas 77469

All notices shall be deemed given on the date so delivered or so deposited in the mail, unless otherwise provided herein. Either party may change the above address by sending written notice of the change to the other party. Either party may request in writing that such notices shall be delivered personally or by certified U.S. mail and such request shall be honored and carried out by the other party.

## 16. Legal Construction

In case one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall for any reason be held invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provisions and this Agreement shall be construed as if it did not contain the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision.

#### 17. Responsibilities of the Parties

The parties to this Agreement agree that no party is an agent, servant, or employee of the other party and each party agrees it is responsible for its individual acts and deeds as well as the acts and deeds of its contractors, employees, representatives, and agents.

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#### 18. Ownership of Documents

Upon completion or termination of this Agreement, all documents prepared by the State shall remain the property of the State. All data prepared under this Agreement shall be made available to the State without restriction or limitation on their further use.

All documents produced or approved or otherwise created by the Local Government shall be transmitted to the State in the form of photocopy reproduction on a monthly basis as required by the State. The originals shall remain the property of the Local Government. At the request of the State, the Local Government shall submit any information required by the State in the format directed by the State.

#### 19. Compliance with Laws

The parties shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations, and the orders and decrees of any courts or administrative bodies or tribunals in any manner affecting the performance of this Agreement. When required, the Local Government shall furnish the State with satisfactory proof of this compliance.

## 20. Sole Agreement

This Agreement constitutes the sole and only agreement between the parties and supersedes any prior understandings or written or oral agreements respecting this Agreement's subject matter.

#### 21. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Cost Principles

In order to be reimbursed with federal funds, the parties shall comply with the Cost Principles established in OMB Circular A-87 that specify that all reimbursed costs are allowable, reasonable and allocable to the Project.

## 22. Procurement and Property Management Standards

The parties shall adhere to the procurement standards established in Title 49 CFR §18.36 and with the property management standard established in Title 49 CFR §18.32.

## 23. Inspection of Books and Records

The parties to the Agreement shall maintain all books, documents, papers, accounting records and other documentation relating to costs incurred under this Agreement and shall make such materials available to the State, the Local Government, and, if federally funded,

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the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and the U.S. Office of the Inspector General, or their duly authorized representatives for review and inspection at its office during the contract period and for four (4) years from the date of completion of work defined under this contract or until any impending litigation, or claims are resolved. Additionally, the State, the Local Government, and the FHWA and their duly authorized representatives shall have access to all the governmental records that are directly applicable to this Agreement for the purpose of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.

In accordance with Section 902 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), should this agreement involve the expenditure of ARRA funds, then the U.S. Comptroller General and its representatives shall have the authority to:

- **a.** examine any records of the contractor or any of its subcontractors, or any State or local agency administering such contract, that directly pertain to, and involve transactions relating to the contract or subcontract; and
- **b.** interview any officer or employee of the contractor or any of its subcontractors, or any State or local agency administering the contract regarding such contracts.

Nothing in the section previously mentioned shall be interpreted to limit or restrict in any way the existing authority of the Comptroller General.

In accordance with Section 1515(a) of the ARRA, with respect to each contract or grant awarded using covered funds, any representative of an appropriate inspector general appointed under Section 3 or 8G of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.), is authorized:

- **a.** to examine any records of the contractor or grantee, any of its subcontractors or subgrantees, or any State or local agency administering such contract that pertain to and involve transactions relating to the contract, subcontract, grant, or subgrant; and
- **b.** to interview any officer or employee of the contractor, grantee or subgrantee, or agency regarding such transactions.

Section 1515(b) further provides that nothing in the section previously mentioned shall be interpreted to limit or restrict in any way the existing authority of an inspector general.

The ARRA requires that the Contractor report monthly employment information for its firm as well as that of all of its subcontractors. The Contractor, similarly, shall include this reporting requirement in all of its subcontracts. Failing to include the requirement in agreements with subcontractors can serve as grounds for contract termination.

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Form FHWA-1589, Monthly Employment Report, promulgated by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), captures the necessary monthly employment information and shall be submitted by the Contractor on a regular basis to the LG (Local Government). It is the responsibility of the LG to obtain this form from the prime Contractor and any subcontractors and, the LG shall verify the accuracy, completeness, and reasonableness of the data contained in the form. The LG shall ensure that this form is submitted by the LG to the State according to the policies and at the direction of the State.

In order to meet any other FHWA and ARRA reporting requirements, the LG shall provide to the State all information requested by the State, including data or information in possession of contractors and subcontractors for completing other necessary reporting forms, and the information shall be submitted in the manner required and according to all due dates as set by the State.

## 24. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Audit Requirements

The parties shall comply with the requirements of the Single Audit Act of 1984, P.L. 98-502, ensuring that the single audit report includes the coverage stipulated in OMB Circular No. A-128 through August 31, 2000 and stipulated in OMB Circular A-133 after August 31, 2000.

#### 25. Civil Rights Compliance

The parties to this Agreement shall comply with the regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation as they relate to nondiscrimination (49 CFR Chapter 21 and 23 CFR §710.405(B)), and Executive Order 11246 titled "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order 11375 and supplemented in the Department of Labor Regulations (41 CFR Part 60).

## 26. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Requirements

The parties shall comply with the Disadvantaged/Minority Business Enterprise Program requirements established in 49 CFR Part 26.

#### 27. Debarment Certifications

The parties are prohibited from making any award at any tier to any party that is debarred or suspended or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal Assistance Programs under Executive Order 12549, "Debarment and Suspension." By

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executing this agreement, the Local Government certifies that it is not currently debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal Assistance Programs under Executive Order 12549. The parties to this contract shall require any party to a subcontract or purchase order awarded under this contract to certify its eligibility to receive Federal funds and, when requested by the State, to furnish a copy of the certification.

## 28. Lobbying Certification

In executing this Agreement, the signatories certify to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- a. No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of the parties to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- b. If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with federal contracts, grants, loans, or cooperative agreements, the signatory for the Local Government shall complete and submit the Federal Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- c. The parties shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

By executing this Agreement, the parties affirm this lobbying certification with respect to the Project and affirm this certification of the material representation of facts upon which reliance will be made. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Title 31 U.S.C. §1352. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

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#### 29. Successors and Assigns

The State and the Local Government each binds itself, its successors, executors, assigns, and administrators to the other party to this Agreement and to the successors, executors, assigns, and administrators of such other party in respect to all covenants of this Agreement.

#### 30. Local Government Restrictions

In the case that the local government has an existing, future or proposed local ordinance commissioners court order, rule policy, or other directive that is more restrictive than the state or federal regulations that results in an increase cost to the State for the project, the local government is responsible for all increased costs associated with the ordinance, order, policy, directive, or change.

# 31. Signatory Warranty

The signatories to this Agreement warrant that each has the authority to enter into this Agreement on behalf of the party represented.

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County Clerk

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**IN TESTIMONY HEREOF**, the parties hereto have caused these presents to be executed in duplicate counterparts.

#### THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executed for the Executive Director and approved for the Texas Transportation Commission for the purpose and effect of activating and/or carrying out the orders, established policies or work programs heretofore approved and authorized by the Texas Transportation Commission.

By: Den P. Hole

David P. Hohmann, PE Director, Bridge Division

Date: 12/8/2010

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# **ATTACHMENT A**

RESOLUTION OR ORDINANCE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT



#### **COUNTY JUDGE**

Fort Bend County, Texas

Robert E. Hebert County Judge

(281) 341-8608 Fax (281) 341-8609

September 28, 2010

Mr. Delvin L. Dennis, P.E. District Engineer, Houston District Texas Department of Transportation P.O. Box 1386 Houston, TX 77251-1386

SUBJECT:

Request for Waiver of Local Match Fund

Participation Requirement on Federal Off-System Bridge Program Project

County Fort Bend County

Project: BR

Road/Street Resolution Enclosed NBI Str. No. Resolution Enclosed

Dear Mr. Dennis:

Under the provisions of Texas Administrative Code, Title 43, Section 15.55(d), this Local Government requests waiver of the local match fund participation requirement on the projects contained in the attached resolution of the federal off-system bridge program project referred to as the "participation-waived" project. In return for waiver of this participation, it is proposed that our governing body perform, or cause to be performed, an equivalent dollar amount of structural improvement work on other deficient bridge(s) or deficient mainlane cross-drainage structure(s), referred to as "equivalent-match project(s)", within the jurisdiction of our governing body.

A copy of the appropriate required resolution adopted by our governing body is attached.

If there are any questions or need for additional information, please call Louis E. Hood, P.E. in our Engineering Department at telephone 281-633-7510.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Hebert

Enclosure:

Resolution

Copy:

For TxDOT Use Only

Waiver Approved Waiver Disapproved

TX DOT BECEIVED

OCT 14 2010

301 Jackson St., Suite 719 • Richmond, TX 77469

#### RESOLUTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS	$\downarrow \downarrow$	
COUNTY OF FORT BEND	$\downarrow$	

On this _	28	day of _	September	, 2010, the	e Comn	nissioner	s Court of
Fort Ben	d County	, Texas, being	g convened at a	regular meeting	g of the	e Court,	upon the
			morrison	second	ed by	y Com	missioner
Pres	taax	, duly p	ut and carried,			,	
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WHEREAS, the federal off-system bridge program is administered by the Texas Department of Transportation (the State) to replace or rehabilitate structurally deficient and functionally obsolete (collectively referred to as deficient) bridges located on public roads and streets off the designated state highway system; and

**WHEREAS**, Fort Bend County, hereinafter referred to as the Local Government operates and maintains bridges at the following locations: and;

Bridge	National Bridge Inventory No. (NBI)
Fenske Lane at Fairchilds Creek Tributary	12-080-0-AA0962-002
Walker Road at Turkey Creek	12-080-0-AA0905-001
Foster School at Fairchilds Creek Tributar	y 12-080-0-AA0955-001
Tierra Grande Drive at Snake Creek	12-080-0-AA1100-001

WHEREAS, projects to remedy these bridges are included in the currently approved program of projects as authorized by Texas Transportation Commission as follows: and;

Location	Comm. Minute Order Number	Date of Order	CSJ Project Number
Fenske Lane	112237	April 29, 2010	0912-34-158
Walker Road	112237	April 29, 2010	0912-34-159
Foster School	112237	April 29, 2010	0912-34-169
Tierra Grande Drive	112237	April 29, 2010	0912-34-170

**WHEREAS**, the usual fund participation ratio for projects on such program is 80 percent federal, 10 percent state and 10 percent Local Government; and

WHEREAS, Texas Administrative Code, Title 43, Section 15.55(d) (43 TAC Section 15.55(d)) provides that under specified conditions the 10 percent Local Government match fund participation requirement may be waived with agreement by the Local Government to perform, or cause to be performed, an equivalent dollar amount of structural improvement work on other deficient mainlane cross-drainage structures within its jurisdiction or the jurisdiction of a geographically adjacent or overlapping governmental unit, such a project of structural improvement work being referred to as an "equivalent-match project"; and

WHEREAS, the estimated local match fund participation requirement on the approved federal off-system bridge projects is \$203,111.00 (dollars), hereinafter referred to as the "participation-waived" project, such participation requirement the Local Government proposes be waived and in return perform or cause to be performed equivalent-match project structural improvement work.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Local Government perform, or cause to be performed, the following equivalent-match project(s) in return for waiver of the local match fund participation requirement on the approved federal off-system bridge program (participation-waived) projects not yet awarded:

Location (NBI)

: James Lane at Bessies Creek

(NBI No. 12-080-AA0372-001)

On School Bus Route?

Description of Structural Improvement Work

Replace existing wood bridge with

new concrete bridge.

Estimated Cost

\$ 250,000.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that in receiving this waiver the Local Government acknowledges its obligation to conform with all conditions of 43 TAC Section 15.55(d); such conditions that include but are not restricted to the following:

- 1. The Local Government must be currently in compliance with load posting and closure regulations as defined in National Bridge Inspection Standards under US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Section 650.303.
- 2. The equivalent-match project work increases the load capacity of the existing bridge or other mainline cross-drainage structure, or upgrades the structure to its original load capacity with a minimum upgrade to safely carry school bus loading if located on a school bus route.
- 3. In performing, or causing to be performed, the equivalent-match project(s), the Local Government assumes all responsibilities for engineering and construction, and complying with all applicable state and federal environmental regulations and permitting requirements for the structures being improved.
- 4. The work on the proposed equivalent-match project(s) has not begun and will not begin until the local match fund participation waiver approval process has been completed.
- 5. The Local Government will be allowed three years after the contract award of the participation-waived project to complete the structural improvement work on the equivalent-match project(s).

6. Should this waiver request be approved, an appropriate written agreement or amendment to a previously executed agreement will be executed between the State and Local Government.

FORT BEND COUNTY

Robert E. Hebert, County Judge

ATTEST:

Dianne Wilson, County Clerk

#### Item 32 continued - Engineering:

H. Take all appropriate action on Standard Utility Agreement between Fort Bend County and Houston Pipe Line Company LP for pipe line relocation and extension regarding improvements to Greenbusch Road, County expenditure not to exceed \$1,300,493.24; Mobility Bond Project #732, Precinct 3. (Fund: Right of Way)

Moved by Commissioner Meyers Seconded by Commissioner Patterson

Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Standard Utility Agreement between Fort Bend County and Houston Pipe Line Company LP for pipe line relocation and extension regarding improvements to Greenbusch Road, County expenditure not to exceed \$1,300,493.24; Mobility Bond Project #732, Precinct 3. (Fund: Right of Way)

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes



I. Take action to rescind Court's approval of Agenda Item 26 C from Commissioners Court meeting of August 11, 2009, regarding Waiver of Local Match Fund Participation Requirement on Federal Off-System Bridge Program Project, due to a change in the program, Precinct 1.

Moved by Commissioner Morrison Seconded by Commissioner Meyers

Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to rescind Court's approval of Agenda Item 26C from Commissioners Court meeting of August 11, 2009, regarding Waiver of Local Match Fund Participation Requirement on Federal Off-System Bridge Program Project, due to a change in the program.

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

#### Item 32 continued - Engineering:

J. Take all appropriate action on Resolution to request revised sites for the Waiver of Local Match Fund Participation Requirement on Federal Off-System Bridge Program Project, Precinct 1.

Moved by Commissioner Morrison Seconded by Commissioner Prestage

Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Resolution to request revised sites for the Waiver of Local Match Fund Participation Requirement on Federal Off-System Bridge Program Project.

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

Note: Revised sites are Fenske Lane at Fairchilds Creek Tributary, Walker Road at Turkey Creek, Foster School at Fairchilds Creek Tributary and Tierra Grande Drive at Snake Creek. The bridge using to match is James Lane at Bessies Creek.

## 33. FACILITIES MANAGEMENT & PLANNING:

A. Take all appriopriate action on the Second Amendment in the amount of \$15,000 to the Agreement for Architectural and Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and Bailey Architects for a total contract amount not to exceed \$816,410 for services regarding the University Branch Library. (Fund: Facility Bond Project)

Moved by Commissioner Patterson Seconded by Commissioner Meyers

Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve the Second Amendment in the amount of \$15,000 to the Agreement for Architectural and Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and Bailey Architects for a total contract amount not to exceed \$816,410 for services regarding the University Branch Library. (Fund: Facility Bond Project)

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

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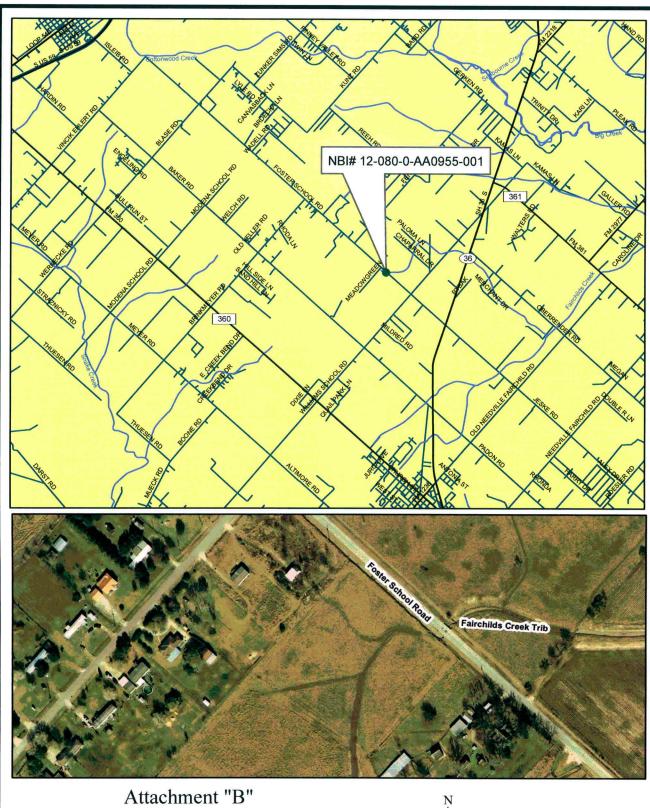
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CFDA #20.205

Location: Foster School Road at Fairchilds Creek Tributary

# **ATTACHMENT B**

PROJECT LOCATION MAP



Attachment "B"
Foster School Road at Fairchilds Creek Trib
CSJ 0912-34-169

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Code Chart 64 #50080

Project: BR ( )

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CFDA #20.205

Location: Foster School Road at Fairchilds Creek Tributary

# ATTACHMENT C (See Note \*\*)

# LIST OF DISTRICT ENGINEER APPROVED EQUIVALENT-MATCH PROJECT(S) (EMP)

Location (and structure	On School	Historic	Description of Structural	Estimated Cost
identification number,	Bus Route?	Bridge?	or Safety Improvement	
if applicable)	(Yes/No)	(Yes/No)		
James Lane at Bessies			Replace existing wood	
Creek, NBI No.	Yes	No	bridge with new concrete	
12-080-0-AA0372-001			bridge	\$250,000
Total				\$250,000
EMP work credited to this PWP (See Note *)				\$30,008
Balance of EMP work available to associated PWP(s)				\$219,992
Associated PWP(s) Control-Section-Job (CSJ)			Amount to be Credited to Assoc	iated PWP (s)
Fenske Lane at Fairchilds C	Creek Tributary,			
CSJ 0912-34-158				\$43,318
Walker Road at Turkey Creek, CSJ 0912-34-159				\$33,759
Tierra Grande Drive at Sna	ke Creek,			
CSJ 0912-34-170				\$142,915

Note \*: This total should typically equal the "Balance of Local Government Participation" that is waived as shown in Attachment D.

Note\*\*: This attachment not applicable for non-Participation-Waived Projects (PWP)

District #12

Code Chart 64 #50080

Project: BR ( )

NBI Structure#12-080-0-AA0955-001

CFDA #20.205

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# ATTACHMENT D

## **ESTIMATE OF DIRECT COSTS**

	Estimated Cost	Local Government <u>Participation</u>	
Preliminary Engineering (PE)	(1) \$24,800	<del></del>	
Ten (10) Percent or EDC Adjusted Percent of PE for Local Government Participation		(3) \$2,480	
Construction	\$248,000	_	
Engineering and Contingency (E&C)	\$27,280	<del></del>	
The Sum of Construction and E&C	(2) \$275,280	<u> </u>	
Ten (10) Percent or EDC Adjusted Percent of the Sum of Construction and E&C for Local Government Participation		(4) \$27,528	
Amount of Advance Funds Paid by Local Government *		(5) \$0	
Amount of Advance Funds to be Paid by Local Government *		(6) \$0	
Balance of Local Government Participation which is to be Waived where the Project is a PWP		(3+4-5-6) \$30,008	
Total Project Direct Cost	(1+2) \$300,080	_	
* Credited Against Local Government Participation Amount			
If this Project is to be a PWP, Amount of EMP Work Being Credited to this PWP as Shown on Attachment C.		\$30,008	

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Code Chart 64 #50080

Project: BR ( )

NBI Structure#12-080-0-AA1100-001

CFDA #20.205

Location: Tierra Grande Drive at

Snake Creek

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF TRAVIS §

COUNTY ORIGINAL

# ADVANCE FUNDING AGREEMENT For Bridge Replacement or Rehabilitation Off the State System

THIS Advance Funding Agreement (the Agreement) is made by and between the State of Texas, acting by and through the Texas Department of Transportation, hereinafter called the "State", and the Fort Bend County, acting by and through its duly authorized officials, hereinafter called the "Local Government."

#### WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, Title 23, United States Code Section 144 authorizes federal funds to assist the States in the replacement or rehabilitation of deficient bridges located on public highways, roads and streets, including those under the jurisdiction of local governments; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Transportation Code, Sections 201.103 and 222.052 establish that the State shall plan and make policies for the construction of a comprehensive system of state highways and public roads in cooperation with local governments; and

WHEREAS, the Local Government owns a bridge or bridges located on a public road or street located at Tierra Grande Drive at Snake Creek and said bridge(s) is included in the currently approved off-state system federal-aid Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program (HBRRP) as authorized by Texas Transportation Commission Minute Order number 112237, dated April 29, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Local Government has approved entering into this Agreement by resolution or ordinance which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Attachment A and which provides for development of the specific programmed replacement or rehabilitation project, hereinafter called the "Project", identified in the location map shown as Attachment B.

**NOW**, **THEREFORE**, in consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenants and agreements of the parties hereto, to be by them respectively kept and performed as hereinafter set forth, it is agreed as follows:

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NBI Structure#12-080-0-AA1100-001

CFDA #20.205

Location: Tierra Grande Drive at

Snake Creek

#### **AGREEMENT**

#### 1. Period of this Agreement

This Agreement becomes effective when signed by the last party whose signing makes the Agreement fully executed. This Agreement shall remain in effect until terminated as provided in Article 2.

#### 2. Conditions for Termination of this Agreement

- a. The Agreement is terminated in writing with the mutual consent of the parties; or
- b. Breach of this Agreement, in which case any cost incurred shall be paid by the breaching party; or
- c. If the Local Government elects not to develop the project and the project does not proceed, in which case the Local Government agrees to reimburse the State for 100 percent of its reasonable actual direct and indirect costs incurred for the project.

#### 3. Amendments

Amendments to this Agreement may be made due to changes in the character of the work, the terms of the Agreement, or the responsibilities of the parties. Amendments shall be enacted through a mutually agreed upon, written amendment executed by all parties to this Agreement.

#### 4. Remedies

This Agreement shall not be considered as specifying the exclusive remedy for any Agreement default, but all remedies existing at law and in equity may be availed of by either party to this Agreement and shall be cumulative.

#### 5. Scope of Work

The scope of work for this Agreement is the replacement or rehabilitation of the bridge(s) identified in the recitals of this Agreement. This replacement or rehabilitation shall be accomplished in the manner described in the plans, specifications and estimates developed in accordance with this Agreement and which are incorporated herein by reference.

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Location: Tierra Grande Drive at

Snake Creek

#### 6. Right of Way and Real Property

The Local Government is responsible for the provision and acquisition of all necessary right of way and will not be reimbursed with federal or state funds for the required right of way.

The Local Government authorizes the State, its consultant, contractor, or other designated representative to enter the site(s) of said bridge(s) and adjacent right of way or relocation right of way to perform surveys, inspections, construction and other activities necessary to replace or rehabilitate said bridge and approaches.

#### 7. Adjustment of Utilities

The Local Government shall be responsible for the adjustment, removal, or relocation of utility facilities in accordance with applicable State laws, regulations, rules, policies, and procedures, including any cost to the State of a delay resulting from the Local Government's failure to ensure that utility facilities are adjusted, removed, or relocated before the scheduled beginning of construction. The Local Government will not be reimbursed with federal or state funds for the cost of required utility work." The Local Government must obtain advance approval for any variance from established procedures. Before a construction contract is let, the Local Government shall provide, at the State's request, a certification stating that the Local Government has completed the adjustment of all utilities that must be adjusted before construction is completed.

#### 8. Environmental Assessment and Mitigation

Development of the Project must comply with the National Environmental Policy Act and the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, which require environmental clearance of federal-aid projects.

- a. The State is responsible for the identification and assessment of any environmental problems associated with the development of the Project governed by this Agreement.
- b. Cost participation in environmental assessment and remediation work shall be paid by the parties in the same ratio as construction costs and will be included in the construction costs identified in Attachment D, "Estimate of Direct Costs".
- c. The State is responsible for providing any public meetings or public hearings required for development of the environmental assessment

The State will not begin construction of the Project until identified environmental problems have been remediated, unless provided for otherwise.

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#### 9. Compliance with Texas Accessibility Standards and ADA

All parties to this Agreement shall ensure that the plans for and the construction of the Project subject to this Agreement are in compliance with the Texas Accessibility Standards (TAS) issued by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation, under the Architectural Barriers Act, Article 9102, Texas Civil Statutes. The TAS establishes minimum accessibility requirements to be consistent with minimum accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (P.L. 101-336) (ADA).

#### 10. Architectural and Engineering Services will be Provided by the State

The State is responsible for performance of any required architectural or preliminary engineering work. The Local Government may review and comment on the work as required to accomplish the public purposes of the Local Government. The State will cooperate fully with the Local Government in accomplishing these local public purposes to the degree permitted by state and federal law. The Local Government review shall not unduly delay the development of the Project.

#### 11. Construction Responsibilities

- a. The State shall advertise for construction bids, issue bid proposals, receive and tabulate the bids and award and administer the contract for construction of the Project. Administration of the contract includes the responsibility for construction engineering and for issuance of any change orders, supplemental agreements, amendments, or additional work orders, which may become necessary subsequent to the award of the construction contract. In order to ensure federal funding eligibility, projects must be authorized by the State prior to advertising for construction.
- b. Upon completion of the Project, the State will issue a "Notification of Completion" acknowledging the Project's construction completion.

#### 12. Project Maintenance

After the Project has been completed, the Local Government shall accept full ownership, and operate and maintain the facilities authorized by this Agreement for the benefit of and at no charge of toll to the public. This covenant shall survive the completion of construction under this Agreement.

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#### 13. Local Project Sources and Uses of Funds

- a. A Project Cost Estimate is provided in Attachment D, "Estimate of Direct Costs".
- b. Attachment D provides a source of funds estimate as well as the estimated direct preliminary engineering, construction engineering, and construction costs for the Project in total and by the Local Government.
- c. The required Local Government participation is based solely upon the State's estimate of the eligible work at the time this Agreement is executed and will not be adjusted during construction except as needed to include any Project cost item or portion of a cost item ineligible for state or federal participation. In addition to its share of estimated direct engineering and construction costs, the Local Government is responsible for the direct cost of any project cost item or portion of a cost item that is not eligible for federal participation under the federal HBRRP.

  The Local Government is also responsible for any cost resulting from changes made at the request of the Local Government.
- d. After execution of this Agreement, but thirty (30) days prior to the performance of any work by the State, the Local Government will the State in the amount specified in Attachment D for the Local Government's contribution for preliminary engineering. The Local Government will pay at a minimum its funding share for this estimated cost of preliminary engineering.
- e. Forty-five (45) days prior to the date set for receipt of the construction bids, the Local Government shall remit its remaining financial share for the State's estimated construction oversight and construction costs and any other costs owing.
- f. If at the completion or termination of the Project the State determines that additional funding is required by the Local Government, the State shall notify the Local Government in writing. The Local Government shall make payment to the State within thirty (30) days from receipt of the State's written notification.
- g. Whenever funds are paid by the Local Government to the State under this Agreement, the Local Government shall remit a check or warrant made payable to the "Texas Department of Transportation Trust Fund." The check or warrant shall be deposited by the State in an escrow account to be managed by the State. Funds in the escrow account may only be applied to the State Project.
- h. Upon completion of the Project, the State will perform an audit of the Project costs. Any funds due to the Local Government, the State, or the Federal Government will be promptly paid by the owing party.
- i. The State will not pay interest on any funds provided by the Local Government.
- j. The Local Government funding participation responsibilities include Project direct costs only, except when the Project is terminated before completion at the request of the Local Government as addressed in the Termination provision of this Agreement.

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- k. The amounts shown on Attachment D are estimates only. If actual costs exceed the estimates, this shall be considered a fixed price agreement, and no additional funding shall be required of the Local Government except to the extent that the additional costs result from changes made at the request of the Local Government or to the extent that the additional costs are not eligible for federal participation under the Federal Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program. If actual costs are less than the estimates, Local Government participation shall be recalculated based on actual costs. If the recalculation results in a reduction in participation by the Local Government, the State shall pay the difference to the Local Government upon completion of the Project.
- 1. Under the provisions of Texas Transportation Code Section 222.053 certain counties qualify as Economically Disadvantaged Counties (EDC) in comparison to other counties in the state as below average per capita property value, and below average per capita income, and above average unemployment, for certain years. If applicable, in consideration of such EDC status that may be applicable for the Project, the required local match fund participation has been adjusted to N/A percent.
- m. The State will not execute the contract for the construction of a Project until the required funding has been made available by the Local Government in accordance with this Agreement.
- n. The state auditor may conduct an audit or investigation of any entity receiving funds from the state directly under the contract or indirectly through a subcontract under the contract. Acceptance of funds directly under the contract or indirectly through a subcontract under this contract acts as acceptance of the authority of the state auditor, under the direction of the legislative audit committee, to conduct an audit or investigation in connection with those funds. An entity that is the subject of an audit or investigation must provide the state auditor with access to any information the state auditor considers relevant to the investigation or audit.

# 14. Performance by Local Government of Equivalent-Match Projects (EMPs) in Return for Waiver of Local Match Participation Funding on Participation-Waived Projects (PWPs)

a. Applicability. If a request for waiver has been received and approved by the State's District Engineer, then the required ten percent matching fund participation or percent as adjusted for EDC consideration, as shown in Attachment D, "Estimate of Direct Costs", but excluding ineligible costs under the bridge program, is waived. This waiver is based on the commitment of the Local Government to spend an equivalent amount of funds for structural or safety improvement on "other" bridge structures and other conditions as specified in 43 TAC Section 15.55(d). If a waiver has been granted, the

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Project shall be defined to be a Participation-Waived Project (PWP) and the work on the "other" bridge structures that will be improved by the Local Government shall be defined to be the Equivalent-Match Project(s) (EMP). Attachment C to this Agreement shows a list of EMP(s) under this Agreement.

- b. Project Cost Estimate for PWP. Attachment D to this Agreement shows the estimated direct preliminary engineering, construction engineering and construction costs for the PWP in total and local match fund participation being waived, or partially waived.
- c. Credit Against EMP Work. Any local match fund participation that has already been paid, or which the Local Government is agreeable to paying to the State, will be credited against EMP work to be performed by the Local Government. If applicable, this credit(s) will be reflected in Attachment D to this Agreement.
- d. Responsibilities of the Local Government on EMP(s).
  - (1) The Local Government shall be responsible for all engineering and construction, and related costs thereto, and complying with all applicable state and federal environmental regulations and permitting requirements.
  - (2) The structural or safety improvement work on the EMP(s) shall be performed subsequent to the final execution of this Agreement but within three (3) calendar years after the earliest contract award of the related PWP(s).
  - (3) Written documentation, suitable for audit, of the structural or safety improvement work completed on the EMP(s) shall be kept on file by the Local Government for four (4) years after completion of work or claims, lawsuits, or audits related thereto, whichever is longer. A notice of completion of work on the EMP(s) shall be delivered to the State's District Engineer no later than thirty (30) calendar days after work is completed on the EMP(s).
  - (4) Failure by the Local Government to adequately complete the EMP(s) within the stated three-year period shall result in the Local Government being excluded from receiving such waivers for a minimum of five (5) years.
- e. Funding of Ineligible or Additional Work Not Waived. Regardless of any waiver of eligible program costs, the Local Government shall pay the State 100 percent of the cost of any PWP item or portion of a cost item that is not eligible for federal or state participation, and 100 percent of the costs resulting from additional work on the PWP performed solely at the request of the Local Government. If the ineligible or additional work is preliminary engineering, the payment shall be made at least thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of preliminary engineering work on the PWP.

If the ineligible or additional work is for construction or construction engineering, the payment shall be made at least forty-five (45) days prior to the date set for receipt of bids for construction of the PWP.

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#### 15. Notices

All notices to either party by the other required under this Agreement shall be delivered personally or sent by certified or U.S. mail, postage prepaid, addressed to such party at the following addresses:

State:

Mr. Delvin L. Dennis, P.E.

District Engineer

Texas Department of Transportation

P.O. Box 1386

Houston, Texas 77251-1386

Local Government:

The Honorable Robert E. Hebert

County Judge, Fort Bend County

301 Jackson, Suite 719 Richmond, Texas 77469

All notices shall be deemed given on the date so delivered or so deposited in the mail, unless otherwise provided herein. Either party may change the above address by sending written notice of the change to the other party. Either party may request in writing that such notices shall be delivered personally or by certified U.S. mail and such request shall be honored and carried out by the other party.

#### 16. Legal Construction

In case one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall for any reason be held invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provisions and this Agreement shall be construed as if it did not contain the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision.

#### 17. Responsibilities of the Parties

The parties to this Agreement agree that no party is an agent, servant, or employee of the other party and each party agrees it is responsible for its individual acts and deeds as well as the acts and deeds of its contractors, employees, representatives, and agents.

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#### 18. Ownership of Documents

Upon completion or termination of this Agreement, all documents prepared by the State shall remain the property of the State. All data prepared under this Agreement shall be made available to the State without restriction or limitation on their further use.

All documents produced or approved or otherwise created by the Local Government shall be transmitted to the State in the form of photocopy reproduction on a monthly basis as required by the State. The originals shall remain the property of the Local Government. At the request of the State, the Local Government shall submit any information required by the State in the format directed by the State.

#### 19. Compliance with Laws

The parties shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations, and the orders and decrees of any courts or administrative bodies or tribunals in any manner affecting the performance of this Agreement. When required, the Local Government shall furnish the State with satisfactory proof of this compliance.

#### 20. Sole Agreement

This Agreement constitutes the sole and only agreement between the parties and supersedes any prior understandings or written or oral agreements respecting this Agreement's subject matter.

#### 21. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Cost Principles

In order to be reimbursed with federal funds, the parties shall comply with the Cost Principles established in OMB Circular A-87 that specify that all reimbursed costs are allowable, reasonable and allocable to the Project.

#### 22. Procurement and Property Management Standards

The parties shall adhere to the procurement standards established in Title 49 CFR §18.36 and with the property management standard established in Title 49 CFR §18.32.

#### 23. Inspection of Books and Records

The parties to the Agreement shall maintain all books, documents, papers, accounting records and other documentation relating to costs incurred under this Agreement and shall make such materials available to the State, the Local Government, and, if federally funded,

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the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and the U.S. Office of the Inspector General, or their duly authorized representatives for review and inspection at its office during the contract period and for four (4) years from the date of completion of work defined under this contract or until any impending litigation, or claims are resolved. Additionally, the State, the Local Government, and the FHWA and their duly authorized representatives shall have access to all the governmental records that are directly applicable to this Agreement for the purpose of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.

In accordance with Section 902 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), should this agreement involve the expenditure of ARRA funds, then the U.S. Comptroller General and its representatives shall have the authority to:

- a. examine any records of the contractor or any of its subcontractors, or any State or local agency administering such contract, that directly pertain to, and involve transactions relating to the contract or subcontract; and
- **b.** interview any officer or employee of the contractor or any of its subcontractors, or any State or local agency administering the contract regarding such contracts.

Nothing in the section previously mentioned shall be interpreted to limit or restrict in any way the existing authority of the Comptroller General.

In accordance with Section 1515(a) of the ARRA, with respect to each contract or grant awarded using covered funds, any representative of an appropriate inspector general appointed under Section 3 or 8G of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.), is authorized:

- **a.** to examine any records of the contractor or grantee, any of its subcontractors or subgrantees, or any State or local agency administering such contract that pertain to and involve transactions relating to the contract, subcontract, grant, or subgrant; and
- **b.** to interview any officer or employee of the contractor, grantee or subgrantee, or agency regarding such transactions.

Section 1515(b) further provides that nothing in the section previously mentioned shall be interpreted to limit or restrict in any way the existing authority of an inspector general.

The ARRA requires that the Contractor report monthly employment information for its firm as well as that of all of its subcontractors. The Contractor, similarly, shall include this reporting requirement in all of its subcontracts. Failing to include the requirement in agreements with subcontractors can serve as grounds for contract termination.

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Form FHWA-1589, Monthly Employment Report, promulgated by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), captures the necessary monthly employment information and shall be submitted by the Contractor on a regular basis to the LG (Local Government). It is the responsibility of the LG to obtain this form from the prime Contractor and any subcontractors and, the LG shall verify the accuracy, completeness, and reasonableness of the data contained in the form. The LG shall ensure that this form is submitted by the LG to the State according to the policies and at the direction of the State.

In order to meet any other FHWA and ARRA reporting requirements, the LG shall provide to the State all information requested by the State, including data or information in possession of contractors and subcontractors for completing other necessary reporting forms, and the information shall be submitted in the manner required and according to all due dates as set by the State.

#### 24. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Audit Requirements

The parties shall comply with the requirements of the Single Audit Act of 1984, P.L. 98-502, ensuring that the single audit report includes the coverage stipulated in OMB Circular No. A-128 through August 31, 2000 and stipulated in OMB Circular A-133 after August 31, 2000.

#### 25. Civil Rights Compliance

The parties to this Agreement shall comply with the regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation as they relate to nondiscrimination (49 CFR Chapter 21 and 23 CFR §710.405(B)), and Executive Order 11246 titled "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order 11375 and supplemented in the Department of Labor Regulations (41 CFR Part 60).

#### 26. Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Requirements

The parties shall comply with the Disadvantaged/Minority Business Enterprise Program requirements established in 49 CFR Part 26.

#### 27. Debarment Certifications

The parties are prohibited from making any award at any tier to any party that is debarred or suspended or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal Assistance Programs under Executive Order 12549, "Debarment and Suspension." By

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executing this agreement, the Local Government certifies that it is not currently debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal Assistance Programs under Executive Order 12549. The parties to this contract shall require any party to a subcontract or purchase order awarded under this contract to certify its eligibility to receive Federal funds and, when requested by the State, to furnish a copy of the certification.

#### 28. Lobbying Certification

In executing this Agreement, the signatories certify to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- a. No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of the parties to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- b. If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with federal contracts, grants, loans, or cooperative agreements, the signatory for the Local Government shall complete and submit the Federal Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- c. The parties shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

By executing this Agreement, the parties affirm this lobbying certification with respect to the Project and affirm this certification of the material representation of facts upon which reliance will be made. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Title 31 U.S.C. §1352. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

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#### 29. Successors and Assigns

The State and the Local Government each binds itself, its successors, executors, assigns, and administrators to the other party to this Agreement and to the successors, executors, assigns, and administrators of such other party in respect to all covenants of this Agreement.

#### 30. Local Government Restrictions

In the case that the local government has an existing, future or proposed local ordinance commissioners court order, rule policy, or other directive that is more restrictive than the state or federal regulations that results in an increase cost to the State for the project, the local government is responsible for all increased costs associated with the ordinance, order, policy, directive, or change.

#### 31. Signatory Warranty

The signatories to this Agreement warrant that each has the authority to enter into this Agreement on behalf of the party represented.

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**IN TESTIMONY HEREOF**, the parties hereto have caused these presents to be executed in duplicate counterparts.

THE I	LOCAL GOVERNMENT	TAR PAR
By:	Signature Signature	
	Judge Robert E. Hebert Printed Name of Signatory	
Title:	County Judge	- ATTEST Grance Thilson
Date	11-9-10	Dianne Wilson

#### THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executed for the Executive Director and approved for the Texas Transportation Commission for the purpose and effect of activating and/or carrying out the orders, established policies or work programs heretofore approved and authorized by the Texas Transportation Commission.

By:

David P. Hohmann, PE

Director, Bridge Division

Date:

12/8/2010

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#### **ATTACHMENT A**

RESOLUTION OR ORDINANCE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

#### **COUNTY JUDGE**

Fort Bend County, Texas

Robert E. Hebert County Judge

(281) 341-8608 Fax (281) 341-8609

September 28, 2010

Mr. Delvin L. Dennis, P.E. District Engineer, Houston District Texas Department of Transportation P.O. Box 1386 Houston, TX 77251-1386

SUBJECT: Request for Waiver of Local Match Fund Participation Requirement on Federal

Off-System Bridge Program Project

County Fort Bend County

Project: BR

Road/Street Resolution Enclosed NBI Str. No. Resolution Enclosed

Dear Mr. Dennis:

Under the provisions of Texas Administrative Code, Title 43, Section 15.55(d), this Local Government requests waiver of the local match fund participation requirement on the projects contained in the attached resolution of the federal off-system bridge program project referred to as the "participation-waived" project. In return for waiver of this participation, it is proposed that our governing body perform, or cause to be performed, an equivalent dollar amount of structural improvement work on other deficient bridge(s) or deficient mainlane cross-drainage structure(s), referred to as "equivalent-match project(s)", within the jurisdiction of our governing body.

A copy of the appropriate required resolution adopted by our governing body is attached.

If there are any questions or need for additional information, please call Louis E. Hood, P.E. in our Engineering Department at telephone 281-633-7510.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Hebert

Enclosure:

Resolution

Copy:

For TxDOT Use Only

Waiver Approved Waiver Disapproved

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#### RESOLUTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS	$\downarrow$
COUNTY OF FORT BEND	$\downarrow \downarrow$

On this	28	day of _	September	ኒ	, 2	2010, the	Cor	mmi	ssioner	s Cou	rt of
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**WHEREAS**, the federal off-system bridge program is administered by the Texas Department of Transportation (the State) to replace or rehabilitate structurally deficient and functionally obsolete (collectively referred to as deficient) bridges located on public roads and streets off the designated state highway system; and

WHEREAS, Fort Bend County, hereinafter referred to as the Local Government operates and maintains bridges at the following locations: and;

Bridge	National Bridge Inventory No. (NBI)
Fenske Lane at Fairchilds Creek Tributary	12-080-0-AA0962-002
Walker Road at Turkey Creek	12-080-0-AA0905-001
Foster School at Fairchilds Creek Tributary	y 12-080-0-AA0955-001
Tierra Grande Drive at Snake Creek	12-080-0-AA1100-001

**WHEREAS**, projects to remedy these bridges are included in the currently approved program of projects as authorized by Texas Transportation Commission as follows: and;

Location	Comm. Minute Order Number	Date of Order	CSJ Project Number
Fenske Lane	112237	April 29, 2010	0912-34-158
Walker Road	112237	April 29, 2010	0912-34-159
Foster School	112237	April 29, 2010	0912-34-169
Tierra Grande Drive	112237	April 29, 2010	0912-34-170

**WHEREAS**, the usual fund participation ratio for projects on such program is 80 percent federal, 10 percent state and 10 percent Local Government; and

WHEREAS, Texas Administrative Code, Title 43, Section 15.55(d) (43 TAC Section 15.55(d)) provides that under specified conditions the 10 percent Local Government match fund participation requirement may be waived with agreement by the Local Government to perform, or cause to be performed, an equivalent dollar amount of structural improvement work on other deficient mainlane cross-drainage structures within its jurisdiction or the jurisdiction of a geographically adjacent or overlapping governmental unit, such a project of structural improvement work being referred to as an "equivalent-match project"; and

WHEREAS, the estimated local match fund participation requirement on the approved federal off-system bridge projects is \$203,111.00 (dollars), hereinafter referred to as the "participation-waived" project, such participation requirement the Local Government proposes be waived and in return perform or cause to be performed equivalent-match project structural improvement work.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Local Government perform, or cause to be performed, the following equivalent-match project(s) in return for waiver of the local match fund participation requirement on the approved federal off-system bridge program (participation-waived) projects not yet awarded:

Location (NBI) : James Lane at Bessies Creek

(NBI No. 12-080-AA0372-001)

On School Bus Route?

Description of Structural

Improvement Work : Replace existing wood bridge with

new concrete bridge.

Estimated Cost : \$250,000.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that in receiving this waiver the Local Government acknowledges its obligation to conform with all conditions of 43 TAC Section 15.55(d); such conditions that include but are not restricted to the following:

- 1. The Local Government must be currently in compliance with load posting and closure regulations as defined in National Bridge Inspection Standards under US Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Section 650.303.
- 2. The equivalent-match project work increases the load capacity of the existing bridge or other mainline cross-drainage structure, or upgrades the structure to its original load capacity with a minimum upgrade to safely carry school bus loading if located on a school bus route.
- 3. In performing, or causing to be performed, the equivalent-match project(s), the Local Government assumes all responsibilities for engineering and construction, and complying with all applicable state and federal environmental regulations and permitting requirements for the structures being improved.
- 4. The work on the proposed equivalent-match project(s) has not begun and will not begin until the local match fund participation waiver approval process has been completed.
- 5. The Local Government will be allowed three years after the contract award of the participation-waived project to complete the structural improvement work on the equivalent-match project(s).

6. Should this waiver request be approved, an appropriate written agreement or amendment to a previously executed agreement will be executed between the State and Local Government.

FORT BEND COUNTY

Robert E. Hebert, County Judge

ATTEST:

Dianne Wilson, County Clerk

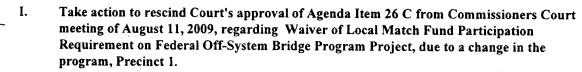
#### Item 32 continued - Engineering:

H. Take all appropriate action on Standard Utility Agreement between Fort Bend County and Houston Pipe Line Company LP for pipe line relocation and extension regarding improvements to Greenbusch Road, County expenditure not to exceed \$1,300,493.24; Mobility Bond Project #732, Precinct 3. (Fund: Right of Way)

Moved by Commissioner Meyers Seconded by Commissioner Patterson

Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Standard Utility Agreement between Fort Bend County and Houston Pipe Line Company LP for pipe line relocation and extension regarding improvements to Greenbusch Road, County expenditure not to exceed \$1,300,493.24; Mobility Bond Project #732, Precinct 3. (Fund: Right of Way)

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes



Moved by Commissioner Morrison Seconded by Commissioner Meyers

Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to rescind Court's approval of Agenda Item 26C from Commissioners Court meeting of August 11, 2009, regarding Waiver of Local Match Fund Participation Requirement on Federal Off-System Bridge Program Project, due to a change in the program.

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

#### Item 32 continued - Engineering:



J. Take all appropriate action on Resolution to request revised sites for the Waiver of Local Match Fund Participation Requirement on Federal Off-System Bridge Program Project, Precinct 1.

Moved by Commissioner Morrison Seconded by Commissioner Prestage

Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Resolution to request revised sites for the Waiver of Local Match Fund Participation Requirement on Federal Off-System Bridge Program Project.

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

Note: Revised sites are Fenske Lane at Fairchilds Creek Tributary, Walker Road at Turkey Creek, Foster School at Fairchilds Creek Tributary and Tierra Grande Drive at Snake Creek. The bridge using to match is James Lane at Bessies Creek.

#### 33. FACILITIES MANAGEMENT & PLANNING:

A. Take all appriopriate action on the Second Amendment in the amount of \$15,000 to the Agreement for Architectural and Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and Bailey Architects for a total contract amount not to exceed \$816,410 for services regarding the University Branch Library. (Fund: Facility Bond Project)

Moved by Commissioner Patterson Seconded by Commissioner Meyers

Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve the Second Amendment in the amount of \$15,000 to the Agreement for Architectural and Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and Bailey Architects for a total contract amount not to exceed \$816,410 for services regarding the University Branch Library. (Fund: Facility Bond Project)

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

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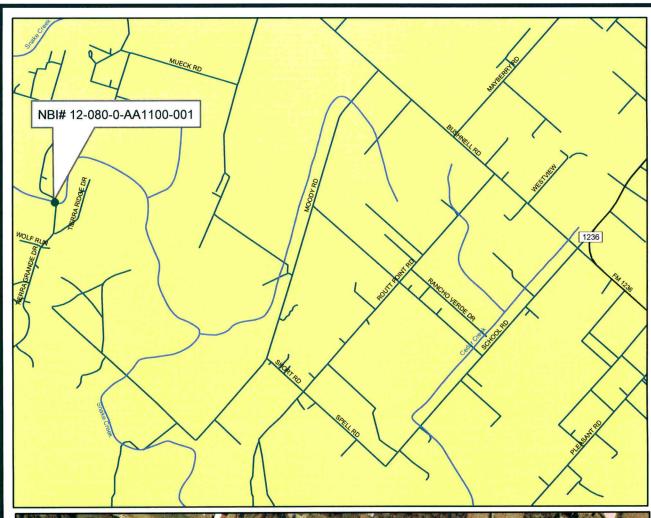
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#### **ATTACHMENT B**

PROJECT LOCATION MAP





Attachment "B"
Tierra Grande Drive at Snake Creek
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#### ATTACHMENT C (See Note \*\*)

### LIST OF DISTRICT ENGINEER APPROVED EQUIVALENT-MATCH PROJECT(S) (EMP)

Location (and structure identification number, if applicable)	On School Bus Route? (Yes/No)	Historic Bridge? (Yes/No)	Description of Structural or Safety Improvement Work	Estimated Cost
James Lane at Bessies Creek, NBI No. 12-080-0-AA0372-001	Yes	No	Replace existing wood bridge with new concrete bridge	\$250,000
				40.50.000
Total	DWD (See Mete	*/		\$250,000
EMP work credited to this Balance of EMP work avail				\$142,915
			Amount to be Credited to Assoc	\$107,085
Associated PWP(s) Control Fenske Lane at Fairchilds (			Amount to be Credited to Assoc	nated PWP (s)
CSJ 0912-34-158	Sieck Illoutary,	,		\$43,318
Walker Road at Turkey Cre	eek. CSJ 0912-3	34-159		\$33,759
Foster School Road at Faire				7,
CSJ 0912-34-169		,		\$30,008

Note \*: This total should typically equal the "Balance of Local Government Participation" that is waived as shown in Attachment D.

Note\*\*: This attachment not applicable for non-Participation-Waived Projects (PWP)

District #12

Code Chart 64 #50080

Project: BR ( )

NBI Structure#12-080-0-AA1100-001

CFDA #20.205

Location: Tierra Grande Drive at Snake

Creek

### ATTACHMENT D

#### **ESTIMATE OF DIRECT COSTS**

	Estimated Cost	Local Government <u>Participation</u>
Preliminary Engineering (PE)	(1) \$79,400	
Ten (10) Percent or EDC Adjusted Percent of PE for Local Government Participation		(3) \$7,940
Construction	\$794,000	
Engineering and Contingency (E&C)	\$87,340	
The Sum of Construction and E&C	(2) \$881,340	
Ten (10) Percent or EDC Adjusted Percent of the Sum of Construction and E&C for Local Government Participation		_(4) \$88,134
Amount of Advance Funds Paid by Local Government *		(5) \$0
Amount of Advance Funds to be Paid by Local Government *		(6) \$0
Balance of Local Government Participation which is to be Waived where the Project is a PWP		(3+4-5-6) \$96,074
Total Project Direct Cost	(1+2) \$960,740	
* Credited Against Local Government Participat		
If this Project is to be a PWP, Amount of EMP Work Being Credited to this PWP as Shown on Attachment C.		\$142,915