

State of California
Business, Transportation and Housing Agency
Department of Transportation

PROGRAM AMENDMENTS
EEM Amendment

Amending Resolutions
G-99-20 and FT-99-92

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EEM PROGRAM AMENDMENT – ACTION

**Resolution G-02-__
Amending Resolutions G-99-20 and FP-99-92**

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Resolution G-02-__ to revise the applicant status for previously approved adopting resolution G-99-20, and the allocation resolution FP-99-92 for Local Assistance Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation (EEM) Program Project, be approved. Resolved, that the California Transportation Commission amends the Resolutions as follows:

<u>PROJECT NO.</u>	<u>APPLICANT & PROJECT</u>	<u>FY</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
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Old:

42	San Joaquin Council of Governments San Joaquin County Swainson Hawk & Associated Species Habitat Acquisition project Acquire, enhance, and restore 157-acre habitat for the Swainson's Hawk habitat and associated species.	99-00	\$250,000
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New:

42	SJCOG, Inc. San Joaquin County Swainson Hawk & Associated Species Habitat Acquisition project Acquire, enhance, and restore 157-acre habitat for the Swainson's Hawk habitat and associated species.	99-00	\$250,000
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BACKGROUND

The state-funded EEM Program was reauthorized by the Legislature in 1999 as an ongoing program, which is allocated \$10 million annually. State, federal, local agencies, and non-profit entities may apply for EEM grant funds to undertake environmental enhancement and mitigation projects that are related to the impacts of new or modified transportation facilities. Projects must be above and beyond the required mitigation for the transportation project and are generally limited to grants of \$250,000.

SUMMARY

This amendment is to transfer the applicant status of the project from the San Joaquin Council of Governments, created as a JPA, to the SJCOG, Inc, a non-profit entity created under the San Joaquin Council of Governments to operate as their acquisition branch. The project received preliminary funding with the adoption of the 1999/2000 EEM Program, Resolution G-99-20, and received the allocation of \$250,000 in EEM funds (with \$20,246 in local contributions) at the June 14-15, 2000, CTC meeting, Resolution FP-99-92.

California Transportation Commission

1999-00 EEM PROGRAM AMENDMENTS

Resolution G-02-__
Amending Resolution G-99-20 and FP-99-92

WHEREAS Streets and Highways Code Section 164.56, establishes the Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program; and

WHEREAS this program provides \$10 million annually for environmental enhancement and mitigation projects which are directly or indirectly related to the environmental impact of modifying existing transportation facilities or for the design, construction or expansion of new transportation facilities; and

WHEREAS the Resources Agency is charged with evaluating proposals submitted for this program and providing a list of proposals recommended for funding to the California Transportation Commission; and

WHEREAS the California Transportation Commission is responsible for awarding grants to fund proposals which are included on the list prepared by the Resources Agency; and

WHEREAS the Resources Agency prepared such a list and the Commission adopted such list on July 15, 1999; and

WHEREAS the San Joaquin Council of Governments was approved for preliminary funding for project #42, the San Joaquin County Swainson Hawk & Associated Species Habitat Acquisition; and

WHEREAS the San Joaquin Council of Governments is unable to deliver the project; and

WHEREAS the San Joaquin Council of Governments has requested the project be transferred to another qualified applicant agency, SJCOG, Inc.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission approves the transfer of applicant status for project #42 from the San Joaquin Council of Governments to SJCOG, Inc.