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RE: Emergency Medical Transport Funding

Honorable Council Members:

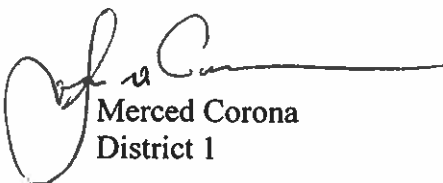
As you are aware, our county has been operating with only 1 Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance since November 2019. The one ALS unit is continuing to operate at a substantial loss due to call volume, payer mix, federal reimbursement rates (rates haven't increased in 25 years), along with rising fuel and wage costs. As the appointed Ad Hoc we are working to proactively retain a dedicated ALS Ambulance service within the county. With your assistance we would hope to issue an RFP for a 4 year contract, with the cost not to exceed \$850,000 per year. We propose the County would contribute 50% of the cost, and the two cities each contribute 25%. This would provide a stable funding source to secure medical ground transport for four years while we move forward with other funding mechanism solutions for an expanded countywide emergency ground transportation services.


To assist you in making your decision, we are enclosing the two studies completed by AP Triton concerning ambulance services, as well as costing information for ambulance services.

We have provided a letter of intent for your signature, should you agree to move forward as we are proposing. This letter would eventually be replaced by an agreement between the three agencies once the RFP is completed, and an exclusive operating area awarded.

Thank you for considering the Ad Hoc's request. We look forward to working together to resolve this issue.

Sincerely,


Merced Corona
District 1


Daurice Kalfsbeek Smith
District 2

Colusa County Board of Supervisors
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RE: Letter of Intent for Emergency Medical Transport Funding

Dear Supervisor Smith and Supervisor Corona:

Thank you for contacting us with regard to the current ambulance situation. The City has considered the information you have provided and are providing you with this letter of intent, pending completion of an RFP and contract for an exclusive operating area for emergency medical transport for 1 Advanced Life Support (ALS) unit to be stationed in Colusa County, and a subsequent agreement between the Colusa and the Cities of Williams and Colusa.

The City agrees to provide 25% of the funding for a single ALS unit for the next four fiscal years. We understand this 25% will be calculated on a not to exceed cost of \$850,000 per year for the unit.

Sincerely,