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FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY (FCRTA)

AGENDA

DATE: Thursday, April 30, 2009
TIME: Following the **5:30pm** Council of Fresno County Governments (COFCG) Meeting
PLACE: COFCG / FCRTA Offices
Sequoia Conference Room
2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201
Fresno, CA 93726
*(Corner of Tulare and Van Ness Ave. - above "Club One"
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ROLL CALL

- I. Public Presentations - This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons wishing to address the FCRTA Board on items within its jurisdiction, but not on this Agenda.

NOTE: The public may also comment on any Agenda item, as they are presented, prior to action by the FCRTA Board.

ACTION ITEMS

- II. Approve "Executive Minutes of March 26, 2009" (Attachment).
III. Acceptance of FCRTA's 2007-08 Fiscal Year Audit Report (Attachment).
IV. Adopt Resolution 2009-03 Denying Claim for Damages Against the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency by Robin White (Attachment).
V. Election of Board of Director Officers (Attachment).

REVIEW AND COMMENT ITEMS

- VI. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- VII. Submittal of FCRTA's 2008-2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment ACT (ARRA) Capital Assistance Grant, Oral Report.
VIII. Approval by Selma City Council on April 20, 2009 for the FCRTA to Contract with FCEOC as the Rural CTSA for "Driver and Dispatcher Services", Effective July 1, 2009 Oral Report.
VIII. Bankruptcy Declaration by the FuelMaker Corporation (Supplier of CNG Pumps Used in Refueling FCRTA's Vehicles), Oral Report.

A JOINT POWERS AGENCY TO PROVIDE A COORDINATED TRANSIT SYSTEM FOR RURAL FRESNO COUNTY
THE CITIES OF COALINGA, FIREBAUGH, FOWLER, HURON, KERMAN, KINGSBURG, MENDOTA, ORANGE COVE, PARLIER, REEDLEY, SANGER, SAN JOAQUIN, SELMA & FRESNO COUNTY



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EXECUTIVE MINUTES

Date: Thursday, March 26, 2009

Time: Following the 5:30 pm Fresno COG Meeting

Place: Sequoia Conference Room

2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201, Fresno, CA 93721

Members Present::

Mayor Trinidad M. Rodriguez, City of Kerman, Chair
Mayor Dennis Lujan, City of Selma, Vice Chair
Mayor Ron Lander, City of Coalinga
Councilmember Rico Aguayo, City of Fowler
Mayor Ramon Dominguez, City of Huron
Mayor Bruce Blayney, City of Kingsburg
Mayor Robert Silva, City of Mendota
Mayor Victor Lopez, City of Orange Cove
Councilmember Raul Villanueva, City of Parlier
Mayor Mary Fast, City of Reedley
Mayor Jose R. Villarreal, City of Sanger
Supervisor Judy Case, County of Fresno

Jeffrey D. Webster, General Manager
Janelle Kelley, Legal Counsel
Suzanne Martinez, Fresno COG

ROLL CALL

There were seventeen (17) votes from twelve (12) members present; representing a quorum and business was in order.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Trinidad M. Rodriguez, Chair, at 8:11 p.m.

- I. Public Presentations – This portion of the meeting was reserved for persons wishing to address the FCRTA Board on items within its jurisdiction but not on the Agenda.**

There were no public presentations.

ACTION ITEMS

II. Recognition Presentations:

The following former Board Members were verbally thanked and presented a plaque in recognition of their service to Fresno County Rural Transit Agency Board of Directors:

- Supervisor Henry Perea, County of Fresno
- Councilmember Leland Bergstrom, City of Kingsburg
- Councilmember Ray Soleno, City of Reedley
- Councilmember Mike Montelongo, City of Sanger
- Former Mayor Patricia Hill, City of Coalinga
- Former Mayor Craig Knight, City of Firebaugh
- Kevin Briggs, County Counsel

Jeffrey D. Webster (FCRTA) mentioned that he had previously contacted the representatives to express our thanks to them. He had also asked the current Member Agency representatives to deliver the plaques to the recipients in their respective communities.

III. Approve Executive Minutes of February 26, 2009

Following an expressed opportunity for public comment, a motion was made by Mayor Villarreal (Sanger) and seconded by Mayor Lopez (Orange Cove) to approve the February 26, 2009 minutes as written. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

IV. Approval of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 Capital Assistance Grant for Preventative Maintenance and Associated Fleet Projects – Public Hearing Resolution 2009-02

Jeffrey Webster, FCRTA General Manager, began his presentation noting that this matter was legally noticed in the Fresno Bee on February 19, 2009 to allow more than thirty (30) days notice to the public regarding this matter and Hearing.

He referenced the recent passage of the “American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)” in February 2009. The initial estimate of ARRA apportioned funds from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) through the Governor to the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to Fresno County was \$1,672,590. This was the figure that was known and reflected in the Public Notice that was published in the Fresno Bee on February 19, 2009. Subsequently, the figure has been finalized to be \$1,719,468. The funds are intended to stimulate the economy. Staff has been working with Caltrans Headquarters to prepare an Application for the funds.

The FCRTA Application will be for “Preventative Maintenance and Associated Fleet Projects”. The Application has been reflected in the Council of Fresno County Government’s (Fresno COG) Amendment #5 to their Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP), that was approved earlier that

same evening by the Fresno COG. The FCRTA staff was working closely with Caltrans and is on target to complete the Application for the ARRA FTA Section 5311 Capital Assistance Grant by the April 17, 2009 deadline.

Mayor Rodriguez (Kerman) opened the Public Hearing. There being no one who wished to speak, Mayor Rodriguez (Kerman) closed the Public Hearing.

Following an expressed opportunity for public comment, a motion was made by Mayor Lopez (Orange Cove) and seconded by Supervisor Case (Fresno County) to approve Resolution 2009-02 supporting the claim and subsequent actions necessary to receive Fiscal Year 2008-2009 FTA Section 5311 Stimulus Funds. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

REVIEW AND COMMENT ITEMS

V. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

VI. Items from Staff

Jeffrey D. Webster (FCRTA) announced that the FCRTA and the Fresno County Economic Opportunities Commission as the Urban and Rural Consolidated Transportation Service Agency had both received recognition plaques from the California Association for Coordinated Transportation (CalACT) for being a founding and continuing member of the Association for the past 25 years. CalACT also recognized Mr. Webster personally for being one of the founding members, distinguished Board Member, and Chair of the Association. A second Distinguished Service Award plaque will be placed on the Associations "Wall of Excellence" in recognition of his "Always working hard to improve coordination of rural transportation in California".

The Board Members expressed their congratulations to Mr. Webster.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:14pm.

Respectfully submitted,



JEFFREY D. WEBSTER, General Manager
Fresno County Rural Transit Agency

JDW/smm



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April 1, 2009

MEMORANDUM

TO: FCRTA Board of Directors;
COFCG / FCRTA Policy Advisory Committee; and
The General Public

FROM:  Jeffrey D. Webster, General Manager
and
 Les Beshears, Finance Director

SUBJECT: Acceptance of FCRTA's 2007-08 Fiscal Year Audit Report

ACTION SUMMARY

Attached is a copy of the FCRTA's "Annual Financial Reports for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008 as prepared by Dedekian, George, Small, & Markarian, Certified Public Accounts. This comprehensive financial report, including all compliance statements required for Federal and State regulations, is submitted for review and acceptance.

During the accounting review the Auditors found FCRTA in compliance with funding agency rules and regulations. They found no significant instances of non-compliance. The Findings and Recommendations section of the Report reflects no reportable conditions.

The Statements of Revenues, Expenditures, and changes in Fund Balances show operating revenues of \$531,857, operating expenditures of \$4,649,154, grant revenues of \$3,557,327 and capital contributions of \$48,589 for a net decrease of \$511,381. Fund balances at the end of year are \$1,893,712 of which \$1,387,265 are invested in capital assets and \$506,447 is unreserved. Note 7 to the financial statements shows FCRTA's farebox ratio was 12.67%, which is above the minimum 10% required by State statute.

Following Board acceptance, the Report will be forwarded to the appropriate Federal and State agencies to satisfy requirements of our funding agreements.

Les Beshears, COFCG / FCRTA Finance Director and I shall be available to respond to questions at the Meetings.

RECOMMENDATION

The General Manager recommends that the Board of Directors accept the Audit Report.

Attachment

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORTS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED
JUNE 30, 2008 AND 2007

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FINANCIAL SECTION

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Board of Directors
Fresno County Rural Transit Agency
Fresno, California

We have audited the accompanying basic financial statements of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency, as of and for the years ended June 30, 2008 and 2007, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in "Government Auditing Standards," issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the basic financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency, as of June 30, 2008 and 2007, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

In accordance with "Government Auditing Standards," we have also issued our report dated _____ on our consideration of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with "Government Auditing Standards" and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis information as listed in the table of contents is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's basic financial statements. The supplementary schedules and other reports section listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations," and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Dedekian, George, Small & Markarian
Accountancy Corporation

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
JUNE 30, 2008

The following discussion and analysis of the financial performance and activity of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency Basic Financial Statements provides an introduction and understanding of the basic financial statements of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency (FCRTA). This discussion has been prepared by management and should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and the notes thereto, which follow this section.

The Fresno County Rural Transit Agency is a voluntary association of the County of Fresno and 13 incorporated cities in Fresno County established on September 27, 1979 under a joint exercise of power agreement to provide public transit service for the rural areas consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan for Fresno County.

The FCRTA currently operates an active fixed route and demand responsive bus fleet of 73. FCRTA has no direct employees and contracts for all management and transit operations functions. FCRTA also reimburses various member agencies for expenditures incurred providing transit service. The FCRTA receives funds primarily from the Transportation Development Act (TDA), which is a 1/4 cent sales tax administered by the Council of Fresno County Governments, State Transit Assistance (STA), transit fares and federal, state and local grants.

The Financial Statements

The Agency's basic financial statements include (1) Statement of Net Assets, (2) Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets, (3) Statement of Cash Flows and (4) Notes to the Financial Statements. The financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Statements of Net Assets reports assets, liabilities, and the difference between the two as net assets. The entire equity section is combined to report total net assets and is displayed in three components - invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted net assets; and unrestricted net assets.

The net asset component *invested in capital assets, net of related debt*, consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvements of those assets.

Restricted net assets consists of assets where constraints on their use are either (a) externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net assets consist of net assets that do not meet the definition of restricted or invested in capital assets, net of related debt.

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets is reported using the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are reported when earned and expenses are reported when incurred, regardless of when cash is received or paid. Revenues and expenses are categorized as either operating or non-operating based upon definitions provided by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2008

Financial Highlights

- Total net assets of FCRTA were \$1,893,712 and consisted of net assets, net of related debt, of \$1,387,265; and unrestricted net assets of \$506,447.
- Net assets decreased \$511,381 during fiscal year 2008. The decrease in net assets from business-type activities was attributable to net governmental program costs in excess of grant revenues and investment earnings.
- Total capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, was \$1,387,265 at June 30, 2008, representing a decrease of \$526,982 from June 30, 2007. The decrease in capital assets was primarily the result of the excess of current year depreciation over purchases.

Statement of Net Assets

The Statement of Net Assets provides a measure of the financial health of an entity at a specific date in time (i.e., year end). A summary of the Agency's Statement of Net Assets for Business-Type Activities as of June 30, 2008, with comparative totals as of June 30, 2007 is as follows:

Statements of Net Assets Business-Type Activities As of June 30, 2008 and 2007		
	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Assets:		
Current and Other Assets	\$ 6,673,033	\$ 2,156,729
Capital Assets (Net of Depreciation)	<u>1,387,265</u>	<u>1,914,247</u>
Total Assets	<u>8,060,298</u>	<u>4,070,976</u>
Liabilities:		
Current and Other Liabilities	<u>6,166,586</u>	<u>1,665,883</u>
Net Assets:		
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	1,387,265	1,914,247
Unrestricted	<u>506,447</u>	<u>490,846</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 1,893,712</u>	<u>\$ 2,405,093</u>

Business-type activities include the Agency's Enterprise Fund operations. These operations are highly capital intensive, devoting a significant portion of their financial resources to the maintenance and replacement of major capital equipment and facilities. This is evidenced by the higher proportion of capital assets to total assets. In fact, of the \$8,060,298 in total assets as of June 30, 2008, \$1,387,265 (17%) relate to capital assets.

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2008

All categories of net assets have a positive balance, which means that, as a whole, the individual fund comprising the business-type activities has sufficient current assets to satisfy current liabilities, and still have assets remaining for discretionary spending. In short, the business-type activities are in excellent financial condition.

The make-up of net assets, however, changed considerably from the prior year. Net assets invested in capital assets decreased by (\$526,982), while unrestricted net assets increased by \$15,601. This is due to favorable operations in the proprietary fund. The enterprise fund invested \$48,589 in capital assets during the year. However, though the enterprise fund invested \$48,589, depreciation expense of \$575,571 caused the decrease in net assets invested in capital to be \$526,982.

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets provides details of how net assets changed from the beginning of the year to the end of the year, and whether net assets increased or decreased. Thus, it indicates whether the Agency as a whole is better off at June 30, 2008 than it was at June 30, 2007.

A summary of the Agency's Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets for fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, with comparative totals for the year ended June 30, 2007 is as follows:

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets Business-Type Activities Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2008 and 2007		
	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Revenues:		
Program Revenues	\$ 4,067,727	\$ 4,569,609
General Revenues	70,046	58,989
	<u>4,137,773</u>	<u>4,628,598</u>
Total Revenues		
Expenses:		
Program Expenses	<u>4,649,154</u>	<u>4,241,285</u>
Changes in Net Assets	(511,381)	387,313
Net Assets - Beginning	<u>2,405,093</u>	<u>2,017,780</u>
Net Assets - Ending	<u><u>\$ 1,893,712</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,405,093</u></u>

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2008

The largest revenue category listed on the Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets is state operating assistance (56%) derived from the Transportation Development Act and State Transit Assistance.

The largest operating expense category is contractual purchased transportation service (31%). Maintenance and repair constitute 19% of FCRTA's operating expense and salary and benefit reimbursement to members for providing transit service make up another 18%. The remaining operating expenses consist of administrative reimbursements, fuel, utilities and insurance.

Statement of Cash Flows

The Statement of Cash Flows provides detailed information about the cash received in the fiscal year and the uses of the cash received. This is the only cash-basis financial statement presented and it reconciles cash receipts and cash expenditures to the beginning and ending cash on hand.

Most of the cash received by the FCRTA during the fiscal year was from operating grants; most of the cash expenses were for operating expenses.

Capital Assets

The Agency's capital assets by class and by type of activity are summarized below:

Statements of Capital Assets
(Net of Accumulated Depreciation)
As of June 30, 2008

	Business Type Activities	
	2008	2007
Capital Grant Funded	\$ 1,387,265	\$ 1,914,247

It is important to note that the capital assets are reported at historical cost, net of accumulated depreciation. These amounts do not represent the market value or replacement cost of Agency assets, which would be significantly higher. Historical cost is used, pursuant to accounting standards, to provide an objective basis for reporting capital assets.

Additional information on the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's capital assets can be found in Note 4 of this report.

Contacting the FCRTA's Financial Management

The Fresno County Rural Transit Agency Basic Financial Statements are designed to provide the FCRTA's Board of Directors, management, creditors, legislative and oversight agencies, citizens and customers with an overview of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's finances and to demonstrate its accountability for funds received. For additional information about this report, please contact Les Beshears, Finance Director, Fresno County Rural Transit Agency, 2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201, Fresno, California 93721.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS
JUNE 30, 2008 AND 2007

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 4,569,014	\$ 1,415,614
Receivables:		
Intergovernmental	1,835,369	696,246
Interest	11,994	3,716
Other	<u>256,656</u>	<u>41,153</u>
Total current assets	<u>6,673,033</u>	<u>2,156,729</u>
Non-Current assets:		
Capital assets	6,754,297	6,813,903
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(5,367,032)</u>	<u>(4,899,656)</u>
Total non-current assets	<u>1,387,265</u>	<u>1,914,247</u>
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 8,060,298</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,070,976</u></u>

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 323,468	\$ 283,756
Due to members and other governmental entities	395,903	424,213
Deferred revenues	<u>5,447,215</u>	<u>957,914</u>
Total liabilities	<u>6,166,586</u>	<u>1,665,883</u>
Net assets:		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	1,387,265	1,914,247
Unrestricted	<u>506,447</u>	<u>490,846</u>
Total net assets	<u>1,893,712</u>	<u>2,405,093</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u><u>\$ 8,060,298</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 4,070,976</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES,
AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2008 AND 2007

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Operating revenue:		
Fare revenues	\$ 516,257	\$ 465,474
Other revenues	<u>15,600</u>	<u>1,000</u>
Total operating revenues	<u>531,857</u>	<u>466,474</u>
Operating expenses:		
Salaries and employee benefits reimbursements	836,422	753,406
Administrative services reimbursements	325,961	307,791
Fuel and lubricants	282,879	248,222
Maintenance and repairs	882,592	855,265
Utilities	27,427	26,002
Purchased transportation	1,443,460	1,257,581
Casualty and liability insurance	255,541	257,566
Miscellaneous expenses	19,301	15,426
Depreciation	<u>575,571</u>	<u>520,026</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>4,649,154</u>	<u>4,241,285</u>
Operating loss	<u>(4,117,297)</u>	<u>(3,774,811)</u>
Nonoperating revenues:		
Interest revenue	54,447	57,989
State operating assistance	2,306,756	2,767,575
Federal operating assistance	<u>1,196,124</u>	<u>430,221</u>
Total nonoperating revenues	<u>3,557,327</u>	<u>3,255,785</u>
Capital contributions	<u>48,589</u>	<u>906,339</u>
Changes in net assets	(511,381)	387,313
Total net assets, beginning	<u>2,405,093</u>	<u>2,017,780</u>
Total net assets, ending	<u><u>\$ 1,893,712</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,405,093</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2008 AND 2007

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Receipts from customers and users	\$ 300,755	\$ 466,373
Payments to suppliers	(3,210,159)	(3,119,896)
Payments to employees	(836,422)	(753,406)
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(3,745,826)</u>	<u>(3,406,929)</u>
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:		
Operating grants received	<u>1,654,228</u>	<u>3,212,299</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Interest received	<u>46,167</u>	<u>58,153</u>
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:		
Grant funds received for property and equipment acquisition	5,247,420	906,339
Acquisitions of property and equipment	<u>(48,589)</u>	<u>(906,339)</u>
Net cash provided by capital and related financing activities	<u>5,198,831</u>	<u>0</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash	3,153,400	(136,477)
Cash at beginning of year	<u>1,415,614</u>	<u>1,552,091</u>
Cash at end of year	<u><u>\$ 4,569,014</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,415,614</u></u>
Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Operating loss	<u>\$ (4,117,297)</u>	<u>\$ (3,774,811)</u>
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash used in operating activities:		
Depreciation	575,571	520,026
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Increase in other receivables	(215,503)	(101)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	39,713	(711)
(Decrease) increase in due to members and other governmental entities	(28,310)	177,309
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenue	<u>0</u>	<u>(328,641)</u>
Total adjustments	<u>371,471</u>	<u>367,882</u>
Net cash used in operating activities	<u><u>\$ (3,745,826)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (3,406,929)</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2008 AND 2007

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a. Scope of Financial Reporting Entity

The Fresno County Rural Transit Agency (the "Agency") is a voluntary association of local governments formed on September 27, 1979, by the County of Fresno and 13 rural area incorporated cities within the County. The purpose of the organization is to provide a "Joint Powers Agency" to own, operate, and maintain a coordinated public transportation system within the County of Fresno. Each member agency provides for the operation of a public transportation system within its jurisdiction.

b. Basis of Accounting Presentation

The Agency is accounted for as a Business-Type Activity, as defined by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – Management's Discussion & Analysis – for State and Local Governments* and its financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when they are earned, and expenses are recognized when they are incurred.

c. Use of Estimates

The presentation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

d. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

The financial statements distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services in connection with ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of FCRTA are charges to customers for services. Operating expenses include the cost of services, administrative expenses, and the depreciation of capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

Intergovernmental revenues (primarily grants), which are received as reimbursement for specific purposes or projects, are recognized based upon the expenditures recorded. Intergovernmental revenues, which are usually unrestricted as to use and are revocable only for failure to meet prescribed compliance requirements, are reflected as revenues at the time of receipt or earlier, if they meet the availability criterion.

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2008 AND 2007

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

d. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

The Agency receives grants from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and other agencies of the U.S Department of Transportation, state, and local transportation funds for the acquisition of transit-related equipment and improvements. Prior to July 1, 2001, capital grants were recognized as donated capital to the extent that project costs under the grant had been incurred. Capital grant funds earned, less amortization equal to accumulated depreciation of the related assets, were included in contributed capital. As required by GASB No. 33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Non-exchange Transactions*, as amended by GASB No. 36, *Recipient Reporting for Certain Shared Non-exchange Revenues*, the Agency changed its method of accounting for capital grants from capital contributions to reserved non-operating revenues. In accordance with GASB No. 33 and 36, capital grants are required to be included in the determination of net income resulting in an increase in net revenue of \$48,589 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008.

e. Cash

In accordance with the Joint Powers Agreement, under which the Agency is governed, all cash is deposited with the Fresno County Auditor-Controller/Treasurer. The Agency's cash is held within Fresno County's cash and investment pool, which is managed by the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer as authorized by the County's investment policy.

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, the Agency considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents. All cash and investments are pooled with the Agency's pooled cash and investments.

f. Capital Assets

Purchases of capital assets, consisting of transit vehicles and related equipment, are capitalized at cost at the time of the purchase. Capital assets purchased with federal or state capital grants are recorded as additions to capital assets, with the offset recorded as additions to contributed capital. Capital assets are defined by the Agency as assets with an estimated useful life in excess of one year and an initial individual cost of \$1,000 or more.

g. Depreciation

Depreciation is allowed as an expense on non-grant acquired assets. Depreciation expense on contributed capital assets is amortized against related contributed capital. Depreciation expense is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the asset, ranging from 3 to 8 years.

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2008 AND 2007

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

h. Operating Expenses

The Agency, in fulfilling its purpose of providing rural public transportation service, incurs three basic types of expenses: (1) reimbursement of rural public transportation expenses, which typically include salaries, wages, operating supplies, services and insurance, incurred by four member cities (the cities of Coalinga, Kerman, Reedley, and Selma) who provide partial rural transportation services; (2) purchased transportation costs in which the Agency contracts with subcontractors to provide their own rural transportation services; and (3) reimbursement of administrative expenses incurred by the Council of Fresno County Governments for the benefit of the Agency, such as salaries and benefits, administration, legal and audit fees, and insurance.

i. Funding Sources

The following is a summary of the funding sources for transit projects:

Federal Grants

Section 5311 Capital and Operating Grants

Section 5311 funds may be used for eligible capital expenses, project administration, and operating expenses to provide efficient and coordinated public transportation service in nonurbanized areas.

State Grants

TDA

The Transportation Development Act (TDA) provides two major sources of funding for public transportation: the Local Transportation Fund (LTF) and the State Transit Assistance fund (STA). These funds are for the development and support of public transportation needs that exist in California and are allocated to areas of each county based on population, taxable sales and transit performance.

Prop. 1B

Proposition 1B (The Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006), includes the creation of the Public Transportation Modernization, Improvements, and Service Enhancement Account (PTMISEA). Capital projects eligible for funding by PTMISEA include rehabilitation, safety or modernization improvements; capital service enhancements or expansion; bus rapid transit improvements; and rolling stock procurement, rehabilitation or replacement.

Local

Measure "C" Measure "C" is a ½ cent sales tax approved by the voters of Fresno County to fund local transportation projects.

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2008 AND 2007

2. CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Investments Authorized by the California Government Code and the Agency's Investment Policy

The table below identifies the investment types that are authorized for the Agency by the California Government Code (or the Agency's Investment Policy, where more restrictive). The table also identifies certain provisions of the California Government Code (or the Agency's investment policy, where more restrictive) that address interest rate risk, credit risk, and concentration of credit risk.

Authorized Investment Type	Maximum Maturity	Maximum Percentage of Portfolio	Maximum Investment in One Issuer
Local Agency Bonds	5 years	None	None
U.S. Treasury Obligations	5 years	None	None
U.S. Agency Securities	5 years	None	None
Banker's Acceptances	180 days	None	None
Commercial Paper	270 days	None	None
Negotiable Certificates of Deposit	5 years	None	None
Repurchase Agreements	1 year	None	None
Reverse Repurchase Agreements	92 days	None	None
Medium-Term Notes	5 years	None	None
Mutual Funds	N/A	None	None
Money Market Mutual Funds	N/A	None	None
Mortgage Pass-Through Securities	5 years	None	None
County Pooled Investment Funds	N/A	100%	None
Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF)	N/A	None	None

Disclosures Relating to Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates.

Information about the sensitivity of the fair values of the Agency's investments to market interest rate fluctuations is provided by the following table that shows the distribution of the agency's investments by maturity:

Investment Type	Amount	Remaining Maturity (in Months)			
		12 Months or Less	13 to 24 Months	25 to 60 Months	More Than 60 Months
County Investment Pool	\$ 4,569,014	\$ 4,569,014	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total	\$ 4,569,014	\$ 4,569,014	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2008 AND 2007

2. CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Disclosures Relating to Credit Risk

Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. Presented below is the minimum rating required by (where applicable) the California Government Code, the Agency's investment policy, and the actual rating as of year end for each investment type. The column marked "exempt from disclosure" identifies those investment types for which GASB No. 40 does not require disclosure as to credit risk:

Investment Type	Amount	Minimum Legal Rating	Exempt From Disclosure	Rating as of Year End	
				AAA	Not Rated
County Investment Pool	\$ 4,569,014	N/A	\$ 4,569,014	\$ -	\$ 4,569,014
Total	<u>\$ 4,569,014</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>\$ 4,569,014</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 4,569,014</u>

Custodial credit risk does not apply to a local government's indirect investment in securities through the use of mutual funds or government investment pools. The County of Fresno issues a financial report that includes custodial credit risk disclosures for the County Investment Pool. The report may be obtained by writing to the Office of the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer-Tax Collector, 2281 Tulare Street, Fresno, California 93721.

3. INTERGOVERNMENTAL RECEIVABLES

Individual receivables from governmental entities related to grants as of June 30, 2008 and 2007 consist of the following:

	2008	2007
Council of Fresno County Governments - LTF	\$ 43,413	\$ 43,913
Council of Fresno County Governments - TDA	595,832	222,112
Caltrans - FTA Section 18	<u>1,196,124</u>	<u>430,221</u>
	<u>\$ 1,835,369</u>	<u>\$ 696,246</u>

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2008 AND 2007

4. CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

Capital assets net of accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2008 are as follows:

	Balance July 1, 2007	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2008
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Capital grant funded	\$ 6,787,130	\$ 48,589	\$ (108,195)	\$ 6,727,524
Non-capital grant funded	26,773	-	-	26,773
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>6,813,903</u>	<u>48,589</u>	<u>(108,195)</u>	<u>6,754,297</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Capital grant funded	4,872,883	575,571	(108,195)	5,340,259
Non-capital grant funded	26,773	-	-	26,773
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>4,899,656</u>	<u>575,571</u>	<u>(108,195)</u>	<u>5,367,032</u>
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	<u>1,914,247</u>	<u>(526,982)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,387,265</u>
Capital assets, net	<u>\$ 1,914,247</u>	<u>\$ (526,982)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,387,265</u>

The fixed assets of the Agency are comprised of transit vehicles and related equipment.

Fixed assets and capitalized repairs are depreciated over a period from 3-8 years, depending on their expected useful lives.

Depreciation expense for the years ended June 30, 2008 and 2007 was \$575,571 and \$520,026, respectively.

5. DUE TO MEMBERS AND OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

Individual payables to members and other governmental entities as of June 30, 2008 and 2007 consist of the following:

	2008	2007
Council of Fresno County Governments	\$ 62,763	\$ 60,990
City of Coalinga	27,836	56,577
City of Kerman	6,394	11,391
City of Reedley	120,261	110,458
City of Selma	65,847	77,896
Fresno County Economic Opportunities Commission	<u>112,802</u>	<u>106,901</u>
Total	<u>\$ 395,903</u>	<u>\$ 424,213</u>

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
JUNE 30, 2008 AND 2007

6. DEFERRED REVENUE

The TDA, Proposition 1B (PTMISEA), and Measure "C" allocate funds to the FCRTA to fund transit operations and capital purchases. Allocations are considered earned when they are properly spent for operations or capital acquisitions. Allocations received but not earned are recorded as deferred revenues. Changes in the deferred revenue account for the year ended June 30, 2008 are summarized as follows:

	<u>TDA</u>	<u>Prop 1B (PTMISEA)</u>	<u>Measure "C"</u>	<u>Total</u>
Deferred revenue, beginning of year	\$ 957,914	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 957,914
Capital grants received	8,190	1,696,542	1,575,609	3,280,341
Capital grants allowed	(8,190)	(32,845)	(7,554)	(48,589)
Operating funds received	3,039,430	-	524,875	3,564,305
Operating funds allowed	(1,836,327)	-	(524,875)	(2,361,202)
Interest received	39,438	7,726	7,282	54,446
Deferred revenue, end of year	<u>\$ 2,200,455</u>	<u>\$ 1,671,423</u>	<u>\$ 1,575,337</u>	<u>\$ 5,447,215</u>

7. FARE REVENUE RATIO

The Agency is required to maintain a fare revenue to operating expenses ratio of 10% in accordance with the Transportation Development Act. The calculation of the fare revenue ratio for the years ended June 30, 2008 and 2007 is as follows:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Fare revenues	<u>\$ 516,257</u>	<u>\$ 465,474</u>
Operating expenses	\$ 4,649,154	\$ 4,241,285
Allowable TDA adjustments:		
Depreciation	<u>(575,571)</u>	<u>(520,026)</u>
Net operating expenses	<u>\$ 4,073,583</u>	<u>\$ 3,721,259</u>
Fare revenue ratio	<u>12.67%</u>	<u>12.51%</u>

8. PROPOSITION 1B (PTMISEA FUNDING)

The Agency receives Proposition 1B (PTMISEA) funding for approved capital projects. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, the Agency received Proposition 1B funds in the amount of \$1,696,542. These funds are held in an interest bearing account and have earned interest in the amount of \$7,726 for the year ended June 30, 2008. As of June 30, 2008, the Agency has spent \$32,845 for capital projects. The remaining funds have been recorded as deferred revenue as of June 30, 2008 (Note 6).

SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULES AND OTHER REPORTS SECTION

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Federal Grantor/ Pass-Through Grantor/ Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Grantor's Number	Grant Disbursements/ Expenditures
<u>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION</u>			
<u>Federal Transportation Administration</u>			
Pass-through California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)			
Public Transportation for Nonurbanized Areas			
Section 5311 Operating Grant	20.509	648133	\$ 1,196,124
Total Federal Financial Assistance			<u>\$ 1,196,124</u>

REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH
RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE
TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT

The Board of Directors
Fresno County Rural Transit Agency
Fresno, California

We have audited the financial statements of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency for the year ended June 30, 2008, and have issued our report thereon dated _____, 2008.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and was further made to determine compliance with the rules and regulations of the Transportation Development Act (including Public Utility Code 99245), the rules and regulations of the Fresno County Association of Governments and the California Administrative Code. Among the items considered were determination of the Fresno County Area Public Transit Agency's ability to receive funds allocated to it, the propriety of expenditures in accordance with the Transportation Development Act, compliance with provisions of Proposition 1B (PTMISEA) funding, and the rules and regulations of the Fresno County Association of Governments.

In our opinion, the results of our tests indicated the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency complied in all material respects with the provisions referred to above.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, others within the organization and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Dedekian, George, Small & Markarian
Accountancy Corporation

REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING
AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON
AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN
ACCORDANCE WITH "GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS"

The Board of Directors
Fresno County Rural Transit Agency
Fresno, California

We have audited the basic financial statements of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, and have issued our report thereon dated _____. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in "Government Auditing Standards," issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's internal control.

REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING
AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON
AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN
ACCORDANCE WITH "GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS"
(CONTINUED)

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under "Government Auditing Standards."

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's management and Board of Directors, and federal award agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Dedekian, George, Small & Markarian
Accountancy Corporation

REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS
APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON
INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

The Board of Directors
Fresno County Rural Transit Agency
Fresno, California

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Fresno County Rural Transit Agency, with the types of compliance requirements described in the *U. S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2008. Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and *OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination on Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, Fresno County Rural Transit Agency, complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2008.

REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS
APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON
INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133
(CONTINUED)

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of Fresno County Rural Transit Agency is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Fresno County Rural Transit Agency's internal control over compliance.

A control deficiency in an entity's internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, Board of Directors, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Dedekian, George, Small & Markarian
Accountancy Corporation

FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS SECTION

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
JUNE 30, 2008

Part I – Summary of Auditor’s Results

1. The Independent Auditors’ Report expresses an unqualified opinion on the financial statements of the Fresno County Rural Transit Agency.
2. No significant deficiencies relating to the audit of the financial statements are reported in the “Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards.”
3. No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of Fresno County Rural Transit Agency relating to the Transportation Development Act were disclosed during the audit.
4. No reportable conditions in internal control over major federal award programs were disclosed during the audit of Fresno County Rural Transit Agency.
5. The Independent Auditors’ Report on compliance for the major federal award program for Fresno County Rural Transit Agency expresses an unqualified opinion.
6. Audit findings that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133 are reported in this Schedule.
7. The program tested as a major program included:

Name	CFDA Number
Federal Operating Assistance	20.509

8. The threshold used for distinguish between Type A and Type B programs was \$300,000.
9. Fresno County Rural Transit Agency did not qualify as a low risk auditee.

Part II – Financial Statement Findings and Other Non-Federal Compliance

Compliance with Laws and Regulations

None.

Part III – Findings and Questioned Costs for Major Federal Award Programs

None.

FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
JUNE 30, 2007

There were no reportable audit findings for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007.



FRESNO COUNTY RURAL TRANSIT AGENCY

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April 3, 2009

MEMORANDUM

TO: FCRTA Board of Directors

FROM:  Jeffrey D. Webster, General Manager

SUBJECT: Adopt Resolution 2009-03 Denying Claim for Damages Against the
Fresno County Rural Transit Agency by Robin White.

ACTION SUMMARY

On April 3rd, I was served with a "Claim for Damages" that was submitted in behalf of Robin White. The Claim alleges specified damages for bodily injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident on October 3, 2008.

The accident was previously reported to our insurance company, for their action.

I have informed our Legal Counsel representative, Janelle Kelly - Deputy Fresno County Counsel, of this matter.

I have also informed, and provided a copy of the "Claim for Damages" to our insurance company for their awareness.

RECOMMENDATION

The General Manager recommends that the Board of Directors formally deny the "Claim for Damages" by adopting Resolution 2009-03; so the matter may be appropriately addressed by our insurance company.

Attachments

FCRTA**CLAIM FOR DAMAGES**
Fresno County Rural
Transit Agency**FCRTA****THIS CLAIM MUST BE SUBMITTED BY MAIL OR PERSONAL DELIVERY**
Presentation of a false claim is a felony (CA Penal Code Section 72)

NOTE: Claims for bodily injury or death, damage to personal property or damage to growing crops must be filed not later than six (6) months after the occurrence out of which the claim/claims arose. All other claims must be filed not later than one (1) year after the occurrence out of which the claim/claims arose. (CA Government Code Section 911.2).

DIRECTIONS: File the original and one (1) copy of this form with The Fresno County Rural Transit Agency, General Manager to the Board of Directors, 2100 Tulare Street, Suite 619, Fresno, CA 93721.

Name of Claimant (Injured or damaged party)	☐ Mr.	WHITE, ROBIN		
	☐ Mrs.	Last, First, Middle		
	☒ Ms.	12/17/1962	563-57-1905	N9863155
		Date of Birth	Social Security Number	CA Driver License
Home Address and Telephone Number	1426 CHURCH STREET #F, KINGSBURG, CA 93631 Number/Street./City/State/Zip Code 559-897-2353 Telephone Number			
Business Address and Telephone Number	Number/Street./City/State/Zip Code N/A Telephone Number			
Where would you like notices sent?	☐ Home ☐ Business ☒ Attorney			
When did the injury or damage occur?	10/3/08 Month/Day/Year	FRI DAY Day of Week	1400 Time of Day	☐ AM ☒ PM
Where did the injury or damage occur?	MARION STREET AND ELLIS STREET, KINGSBURG Street address, intersection or other location.			
How did the injury or damage occur?	ROBIN WHITE WAS N/B ON MARION. STEVIE TORREZ DRIVING A VEHICLE OWNED BY FCRTA, WHILE IN THE COURSE AND SCOPE OF HIS EMPLOYMENT AS AN EMPLOYEE OF FCRTA WAS E/B ON ELLIS. ROBIN WHITE HAD THE RIGHT OF WAY. STEVIE TORREZ HAD A STOP SIGN. STEVIE TORREZ VIOLATED ROBIN WHITE'S RIGHT OF WAY, DRIVING THROUGH THE INTERSECTION AND COLLIDING WITH ROBIN WHITE.			

PLEASE CONTINUE AND COMPLETE SECOND PAGE OF THIS CLAIM FORM

FCRTA	CLAIM FOR DAMAGES Fresno County Rural Transit Agency Page 2	FCRTA
Names and telephone numbers of witnesses	ROBIN WHITE - 559-897-2353 STEVIE TORREZ - 559-681-0679	
Names FCRTA Employees involved	STEVIE TORREZ	
Law Enforcement Agency and Report Number	KINGSBURG POLICE DEPT. CASE NO. 08-20709	
What action or inaction of the FCRTA or its employee(s) caused your injury or damages?	TORREZ CAUSED COLLISION BY FAILING TO YIELD TO APPROACHING VEHICLE. VIOLATING CVC 21802(a). PER POLICE REPORT	
What injuries or damages did you suffer?	NECK, BACK, BOTH WRISTS, LT. KNEE, ABDOMEN. LOSS WAGES. MEDICAL EXPENSES	
Total amount claimed	\$ 250,000.00	
DIRECTIONS: Sign and date this Claim for Damages below. NOTE: If the signer is <u>not</u> the claimant, please indicate relationship of signer to the claimant (e.g., parent, attorney, etc.) and include full address.		
Signature	 Month/Day/Year 4/3/09	
Print Name	STUART R. CHANDLER 761 E. LOCUST AVE. SUITE 101, FRESNO, CA 93720 Number/Street/City/State/Zip Code	
Relationship to Claimant	ATTORNEY 559-431-7770 Telephone Number	
DIRECTIONS: Attach to this completed and signed form any bills for medical treatment and expenses, and any estimates or bills for repair/replacement of damaged personal property.		



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April 1, 2009

MEMORANDUM

TO: FCRTA Board of Directors and
The General Public

FROM:  Jeffrey D. Webster, General Manager

SUBJECT: Election of Board of Director Officers.

ACTION SUMMARY

The Joint Powers Agreement and previous Board action have determined that FCRTA Board leadership elections are to be considered every two (2) (odd) years during the month of April. Our next regular election would therefore be scheduled for the April 30, 2009 Board Meeting.

Staff wishes to indicate that the selected individuals shall be responsible for co-signing FCRTA warrants on a periodic and emergency basis, and therefore should be accessible by staff during normal work hours.

Currently, Trinidad Rodriguez, Mayor Pro Tem of Kerman serves as Chairman and Dennis Lujan, Mayor Pro Tem serves as Vice-Chairman.

RECOMMENDATION

The General Manager recommends that the Board of Directors consider the opportunity to select a Chairman and Vice Chairman.

