

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017-04  
OF THE  
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)**

***ALLOCATION OF \$192,808 OF LOW CARBON TRANSIT OPERATIONS PROGRAM  
(LCTOP) FUNDS TO THE MONTEREY-SALINAS TRANSIT DISTRICT FOR FREE  
FARES ON WEEKENDS ON ROUTES THAT SERVE EAST SALINAS AND 600 SUMMER  
YOUTH PASSES TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO YOUTH LIVING IN A DISADVANTAGED  
COMMUNITY AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENTS***

**WHEREAS**, the State of California enacted the Transit, Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program (SB 862) in 2014 to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the transportation sector; and

**WHEREAS**, SB 862 established the Low Carbon Transit Operating Program (LCTOP) to receive revenue from the sale of emission allowances in California's Cap-and-Trade program and distribute these funds to Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPAs) and transit operators eligible to receive State Transit Assistance funds pursuant to Sections 99313 and 99314 of the Public Utility Code (PUC) for transit projects which reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) and the Monterey-Salinas Transit District (MST) are the eligible recipients of LCTOP funds in Monterey County;

**WHEREAS**, TAMC may elect to act as a contributing sponsor and transfer its share of funds to MST; and

**WHEREAS**, MST has determined that establishing a new transit service connecting East Salinas to the Westridge Shopping Center would be the most productive use of the Fiscal Year 2014/2015 (FY15) allocation of LCTOP funds and requests that the Board of Directors designate its allocation of FY15 LCTOP funds to MST; and

**WHEREAS**, MST has committed to use funds in accordance with applicable statutes, regulations, and guidelines for the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the free fares on weekend for routes that serve East Salinas and the 600 summer youth passes for youth living in a disadvantaged community is expected to increase transit ridership, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, serve disadvantaged communities, and is consistent with the Monterey County Regional Transportation Plan.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The Transportation Agency for Monterey County shall act as a “contributing sponsor” and transfer its \$192,808 Fiscal Year 2016/2017 allocation of Low Carbon Transit Operations Program funds to for free fares on the weekends on routes that serve East Salinas and 600 summer youth passes to be distributed to youth living in a disadvantaged community; and
2. The Executive Director is authorized to sign and execute on behalf of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County any actions and agreements necessary to pass funds through to Monterey-Salinas Transit.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Transportation Agency for Monterey County, State of California this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March 2017, by the following votes:

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

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**ALEJANDRO CHAVEZ, CHAIR**  
**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY**

**ATTEST:**

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**DEBRA L. HALE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**  
**TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY**