



CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON *MEASURE Z* EXPENDITURES

(Advisory Committee will make recommendations to the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors as to expenditure of funds derived from *Measure Z*.)

APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

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Agency Name: Humboldt County Aviation Division

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1. AMOUNT OF MEASURE Z FUNDING REQUESTED FOR FY 2015-16: \$ 290,700 per year for a total of \$1,453,500 over 5 years.

2. ENTITY TYPE -- Please check appropriate box.

- a. Humboldt County Department
- b. Contract Service Provider to Humboldt County
- c. Local Government Entity
- d. Private Service Provider
- e. Non-Profit Service Provider
- f. Other

3. Please provide brief description of proposal for which you are seeking funding.

The Arcata-Eureka airport (ACV) is a Part 139 Commercial Service Airport. Operators of Part 139 air carrier airports must provide aircraft rescue and firefighting (ARFF) services during air carrier operations that require a Part 139 certificate, including ARFF training, ARFF vehicles, and other aviation fire and rescue requirements.

4. *Measure Z* funding is scheduled to "sunset" in 2020. How are you developing a plan for sustainability, including diversification of funding sources, in order for your proposal to carry on without reliance on future *Measure Z* funds?

ACV represents the main operating funding for the Aviation Division. The Division plans future airport needs and projects, provides fueling at three airports, and facility maintenance services at all airports in order to provide a safe and secure aviation system. All six County airports are indispensable during emergencies, disasters, forest fires, and life threatening injuries. Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting services are provided by staff at ACV.

The Aviation Division is, and has been, focused on ACV air service development since the loss of Horizon Airlines in April 2011. Regaining a route to the Los Angeles hub is the number one priority. Additionally a direct route to Denver would further improve global access and restore the health of the Aviation Division budget. Should the Aviation Division secure new service before the five year term and airport revenues increase, there may not

be the need to utilize the entire \$1,453,500. Furthermore, the Aviation Division is working to maximize land use revenues on airport properties.

5. If this request is for the continuation, or expansion, of an existing program/service, what is the current source of funding for that program/service?

Operating income in the form of landing fees, terminal rent, hangar rent, concessions, sale of fuel, and other current services.

Please note airline fees paid to the airport are waived for the first two years when a new route is introduced, subsequently, measure Z funding may still be needed for the first few years of increased air service.

6. If you are awarded *Measure Z* funds, how will you use them to leverage additional grants, contributions, or community support?

This request is to bridge the airports funding gap until revenues are sourced.

7. Will this proposal require new or expanded activity on the part of another entity to be fully functional and effective? If so, please describe.

No

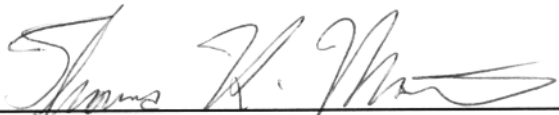
ATTACHMENTS—Please include the following with your application

Proposal Narrative: Brief description of your request for *Measure Z* funds – Please explain how it is an essential service or for public safety. (*one page maximum*)

Program Budget

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above statements and all attachments are true and correct

DATE: 3/18/15

SIGNATURE: 

SUBMIT THIS APPLICATION TO:

Humboldt County Citizens' Advisory Committee on *Measure Z* Expenditures
c/o County Administrative Office
825 Fifth Street, Suite 111
Eureka, CA 95501-1153.

Proposal Narrative

The Arcata-Eureka Airport (ACV) is a commercial airport that operates in compliance with Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations Part 139 (Part 139). Part 139 requirements regulate commercial airports with service scheduled and unscheduled air carrier aircraft with more than 30 seats and service scheduled air carrier operations in aircraft with more than 9 seats but less than 31 seats.

Operators of Part 139 regulated air carrier airports must provide aircraft rescue and firefighting (ARFF) services during air carrier operations that require a Part 139 certificate, including ARFF training, ARFF vehicles, and other aviation fire and rescue requirements. ARFF capabilities at ACV are an essential service for the safety of the public

In addition to the Part 139 requirements, the Aviation Division is responsible for managing six County airports in a manner that ensures aeronautical safety, safety of the traveling public, continued air service, and complies with federal, State and/or local aviation rules, regulations and advisories. The Aviation Division provides for the Humboldt County regional air transportation system one commercial service airport and five general aviation airports. ACV, the regional commercial service airport, is certified by Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) Part 139 for air carrier operations and the Transportation Security Administration's Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 1542 for security. The five general aviation airports are certified and permitted by the State of California Department of Transportation Division of Aeronautics with oversight by the FAA. The Aviation Division provides and maintains the safe and secure infrastructure essential to provide community-appropriate levels of service.

Dinsmore Airport is tucked into a very rural valley in Humboldt County. For this reason Dinsmore Airport is crucial for transporting citizens in and out of the area during an emergency. Air access to the community in Dinsmore has saved many lives in emergency situations. Garberville Airport is also a crucial entry and exit way for the southern County. Kneeland Airport is home to the CAL FIRE Helitech Base, an important asset during the fire season. Kneeland Airport is located at 2,737 feet above sea level, which allows fire personnel to see smoke rising from wildfires from the greatest vantage point available. The elevation also allows Kneeland Airport to serve as an emergency airport for aircraft that cannot land in the fog when all other County airports are socked in. Rohnerville Airport is home to a California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) base. Rohnerville is crucial during the fire season.

Cost/Need

Amount

ARFF SLC Travel and Class	\$	16,000	The CRCHC ARFFs are required to attend training in Salt Lake City, Utah on an annual basis to maintain ARFF certification.
ARFF SLC Time	\$	10,900	The CRCHC ARFFs are required to attend training in Salt Lake City, Utah on SL annual basis to maintain ARFF certification.
Foam	\$	7,800	The CRCHC ARFF vehicle must be supplied with firefighting agent (aqueous foam) on an annual basis.
Fire Truck Maintenance	\$	6,000	The CRCHC ARFF vehicle be certified every six months by an FAA approved entity.
ARFF Coverage 0400-0000	\$	250,000	The CRCHC must offer ARFF coverage from 4:00 am to 12:00 am 365 days a year.
Total	\$	290,700	