

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: March 7, 2007

SUBJECT: Correspondence and News Articles

SUMMARY: Correspondence and News Articles:

January 30, 2007: Copy of schedule to Transportation Planning Agencies of the State Transit Assistance (STA) funds for the second quarter of 2006/07 from Kelly Martell, California State Controller's Office, Section Supervisor. STA funds are allocated pursuant to the Public Utilities Code (PUC) sections 99313 and 99314. The current amount to the San Luis Obispo Region is \$90,067.00 (C-5-2).

January 29 2007: Copy of preliminary estimate schedule to Transportation Planning Agencies of the State Transit Assistance (STA) funds for the first quarter of 2007/08 from Kelly Martell, California State Controller's Office, Section Supervisor. The first allocation is anticipated to be distributed in October 2007. STA funds are allocated pursuant to the Public Utilities Code (PUC) sections 99313 and 99314. The current amount estimated to the San Luis Obispo Region, including Proposition 1B Fund allocations, is \$3,231,092 (C-5-5).

February 2, 2007: Notification to Transportation Planning Organizations and Public Works Directors from Terry Abbott, Caltrans Division of Local Assistance Chief, that requests for project authorization (with supporting documents) need to be submitted to the district Local Assistance Engineer (DLAE) by July 2, 2007, to ensure projects will be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2006/07. In addition, he requested that the Assembly Bill (AB) 1012 obligation plans be submitted by April 2, 2007 (C-5-8).

February 6, 2007: Request from James Christy, U.S. Bureau of the Census, Regional Director, to Richard Murphy, SLOCOG Division Chief, for help in hosting the Local Update of Addresses Program (LUCA). The Census Bureau is launching a partnership program which would allow the Census Bureau to benefit from local knowledge in developing its Master Address File for the 2010 Census. He would like to schedule two, two-hour trainings in late March through mid May of 2007 (C-5-10).

February 13, 2007: Announcement to Ron De Carli, SLOCOG Executive Director, from Michael Giuliano, Caltrans District 5 Local Assistance Engineer, that applications are being accepted for a new Federal program, the 2007 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP). This Program replaces the former HES Program which was eliminated through the passage of Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act of 2003: a Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). The deadline for applications is April 13, 2007 with an anticipated release date of May 14, 2007 for approved projects. The interim guidelines and application can be found on the website: www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/#PrqInfo (C-5-15).

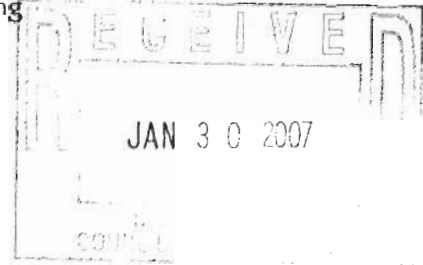


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California State Controller
Division of Accounting and Reporting

January 23, 2007



COUNTY AUDITORS RESPONSIBLE FOR STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE FUNDS
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCIES
COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSIONS
SAN DIEGO METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Attached is a schedule of State Transit Assistance (STA) funds allocated for the second quarter of the 2006-07 fiscal year to each transportation planning agency, county transportation commission, and the San Diego Metropolitan Transit Development Board. STA funds are allocated pursuant to the Public Utilities Code (PUC) sections 99313 and 99314.

This is the second of four allocations scheduled to be made for the 2006-07 fiscal year. The total amount allocated to all agencies for the second quarter was \$155,891,936. The payment is scheduled to be made on January 26, 2007. Please refer to the schedule for the amounts that relate to your agency.

As supplemental information, we are providing a detailed schedule of STA funds allocated under the PUC section 99314. Since the detail for the PUC section 99313 is not reported to the Controller's Office, we are not able to provide that information.

Any questions you have regarding the STA program should be directed to Mike Silvera of the Division of Accounting and Reporting at (916) 323-0704.

Sincerely,

KELLY MARTELL, Section Supervisor
County Cost Plans and Local Apportionments Section

STATE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE
2006-07 STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE FUND ALLOCATION
SECOND QUARTER ALLOCATION SUMMARY

Regional Entity	PUC 99313 Allocations To Date	PUC 99314 Allocations To Date	Prior Quarter Allocations	Current Quarter Allocation	Total Allocations To Date
TRPA	\$ 371,944	\$ 19,634	\$ 195,789	\$ 195,789	\$ 391,578
MTC	29,886,198	79,887,643	54,886,924	54,886,917	109,773,841
SACOG	7,285,584	3,756,204	5,520,896	5,520,892	11,041,788
Alpine	5,204	0	2,602	2,602	5,204
Amador	159,923	13,526	86,724	86,725	173,449
Butte	910,930	23,670	467,301	467,299	934,600
Calaveras	191,703	0	95,851	95,852	191,703
Colusa	90,217	3,528	46,873	46,872	93,745
Del Norte	122,442	0	61,221	61,221	122,442
El Dorado	599,235	58,600	328,917	328,918	657,835
Fresno	3,772,381	554,156	2,163,268	2,163,269	4,326,537
Glenn	120,156	0	60,079	60,077	120,156
Humboldt	555,787	83,043	319,414	319,416	638,830
Imperial	698,624	0	349,312	349,312	698,624
Inyo	77,649	12,412	45,030	45,031	90,061
Kern	3,270,613	290,479	1,780,548	1,780,544	3,561,092
Kings	619,546	125,987	372,766	372,767	745,533
Lake	268,843	15,615	142,230	142,228	284,458
Lassen	148,679	6,863	77,771	77,771	155,542
Los Angeles	42,967,863	53,448,988	48,208,405	48,208,446	96,416,851
Madera	605,567	0	302,784	302,783	605,567
Mariposa	76,395	974	38,684	38,685	77,369
Mendocino	379,308	42,564	210,936	210,936	421,872
Merced	1,034,824	40,937	537,881	537,880	1,075,761
Modoc	41,250	0	20,625	20,625	41,250
Mono	57,023	0	28,512	28,511	57,023
Monterey	1,781,702	277,424	1,029,563	1,029,563	2,059,126
Nevada	419,656	20,394	220,026	220,024	440,050
Orange	12,884,758	5,403,659	9,144,209	9,144,208	18,288,417
Placer	1,095,156	125,731	610,445	610,442	1,220,887
Plumas	89,932	0	44,966	44,966	89,932
Riverside	8,191,872	1,053,413	4,622,644	4,622,641	9,245,285
San Benito	241,676	0	120,838	120,838	241,676
San Bernardino	8,353,329	1,429,325	4,891,329	4,891,325	9,782,654
SANDAG	3,197,398	1,262,082	2,229,740	2,229,740	4,459,480
San Diego MTDB	9,664,227	4,512,689	7,088,459	7,088,457	14,176,916
San Joaquin	2,802,569	732,954	1,767,762	1,767,761	3,535,523
San Luis Obispo	1,103,983	180,136	642,061	642,058	1,284,119
Santa Barbara	1,768,211	475,192	1,121,702	1,121,701	2,243,403
Santa Cruz	1,100,247	1,237,130	1,168,689	1,168,688	2,337,377
Shasta	761,103	35,688	398,396	398,395	796,791
Sierra	14,682	0	7,342	7,340	14,682
Siskiyou	193,527	8,497	101,011	101,013	202,024
Stanislaus	2,157,165	127,307	1,142,236	1,142,236	2,284,472
Tehama	258,056	0	129,029	129,027	258,056
Trinity	58,814	1,089	29,952	29,951	59,903
Tulare	1,763,992	72,547	918,269	918,270	1,836,539
Tuolumne	244,209	0	122,105	122,104	244,209
Ventura	3,427,784	551,856	1,989,820	1,989,820	3,979,640
Subtotals	\$ 155,891,936	\$ 155,891,936	\$ 155,891,936	\$ 155,891,936	
Totals		\$ 311,783,872		\$ 311,783,872	\$ 311,783,872

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STATE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE
2006-07 STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE FUND ALLOCATION
SECOND QUARTER 99314 ALLOCATION DETAIL

Regional Entity and Operator(s)	Revenue Basis	Prior Allocations	Current Allocation	Allocations To Date
San Bernardino				
Morongo Basin Transit Authority	382,382	10,499	10,499	20,998
Mountain Area Regional Transit Authority	297,025	8,155	8,154	16,309
Omnitrans	12,650,457	347,328	347,327	694,655
San Bernardino Associated Governments - Corresponding to Southern California Regional Rail Authority	NA	300,827	300,826	601,653
Victor Valley Transit Service Authority	1,742,985	47,855	47,855	95,710
Regional Entity Totals	15,072,849	714,664	714,661	1,429,325
SANDAG				
North San Diego County Transit Development Board	22,983,947	631,041	631,041	1,262,082
San Diego MTDB				
City of Chula Vista	2,462,695	67,615	67,615	135,230
MTDB Contract Services	17,864,360	490,480	490,478	980,958
City of National City	1,170,795	32,145	32,146	64,291
San Diego Transit Corporation	34,545,706	948,478	948,477	1,896,955
San Diego Trolley, Inc.	26,137,650	717,628	717,627	1,435,255
Regional Entity Totals	82,181,206	2,256,346	2,256,343	4,512,689
San Joaquin				
Altamont Commuter Express Authority	7,997,357			
Alameda County Congestion Management Agency		*****	*****	*****
Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority		*****	*****	*****
San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission		61,481	61,480	122,961
City of Lodi	344,836	9,468	9,467	18,935
City of Ripon	719	19	21	40
San Joaquin Regional Transit District	10,763,127	295,510	295,508	591,018
Regional Entity Totals	19,106,039	366,478	366,476	732,954
San Luis Obispo				
City of Atascadero	55,430	1,522	1,521	3,043
City of Morro Bay	30,271	831	832	1,663
City of Paso Robles Transit	115,972	3,184	3,184	6,368
City of San Luis Obispo	429,400	11,790	11,789	23,579
County of San Luis Obispo	76,645	2,104	2,105	4,209
San Luis Obispo Regional Transit Authority	2,075,677	56,990	56,989	113,979
South County Area Transit	497,082	13,648	13,647	27,295
Regional Entity Totals	3,280,477	90,069	90,067	180,136

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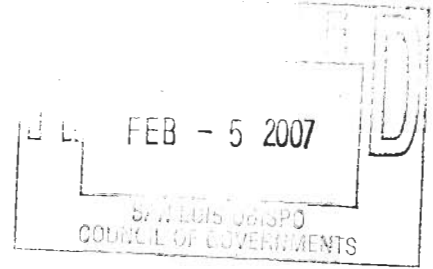
***** The amounts allocated to the member agencies of Altamont Commuter Express Authority are paid by their corresponding regional transportation authority.

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January 29, 2007

COUNTY AUDITORS RESPONSIBLE FOR STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE FUNDS
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCIES
COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSIONS
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Pursuant to Section 99312.7 of the Public Utilities Code (PUC), the State Controller is required to provide a preliminary estimate of the amount of the State Transit Assistance (STA) funds to be allocated to each transportation planning entity for the purposes of Sections 99313 and 99314 of the PUC.

The amount of STA funds budgeted, according to the Department of Finance, for the 2007-08 fiscal year is \$784,510,744. In addition, Section 99313 allocations are based on the latest available annual population estimates from the Department of Finance.

Section 99314 allocations are based primarily on qualifying revenues from the Annual Report of Financial Transactions of Transit Operators and Non-transit Claimants under the Transportation Development Act.

We anticipate that the first quarter's allocation will be paid in October. Enclosed are schedules indicating the specific fund allocation for the fiscal year 2007-08 to each transportation planning entity by operator. If you have any questions regarding the STA program, please call Mike Silvera at (916) 323-0704.

Sincerely,

KELLY MARTELL, Section Supervisor
County Cost Plans and Local Apportionments Section

STATE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE
STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE FUND ALLOCATION ESTIMATE
FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008

Regional Entity	Public Transportation		Public Transportation		2007-2008 Allocations
	Account Fund PUC 99313 Allocations	Proposition 1B Fund PUC 99313 Allocations	Account Fund PUC 99314 Allocations	Proposition 1B Fund PUC 99314 Allocations	
TRPA	\$ 220,113	\$ 715,772	\$ 11,619	\$ 37,785	\$ 985,289
MTC	17,686,369	57,513,299	47,275,735	153,733,276	276,208,679
SACOG	4,311,540	14,020,451	2,222,839	7,228,323	27,783,153
Alpine	3,080	10,015	0	0	13,095
Amador	94,640	307,756	8,004	26,027	436,427
Butte	539,080	1,753,004	14,008	45,551	2,351,643
Calaveras	113,448	368,915	0	0	482,363
Colusa	53,390	173,614	3,359	10,923	241,286
Del Norte	72,460	235,629	0	0	308,089
El Dorado	354,621	1,153,174	34,754	113,016	1,655,565
Fresno	2,232,459	7,259,607	328,570	1,068,458	10,889,094
Glenn	71,108	231,230	0	0	302,338
Humboldt	328,910	1,069,563	49,143	159,805	1,607,421
Imperial	413,439	1,344,438	0	0	1,757,877
Inyo	45,951	149,427	7,346	23,887	226,611
Kern	1,935,518	6,294,001	171,898	558,986	8,960,403
Kings	366,641	1,192,260	74,557	242,447	1,875,905
Lake	159,099	517,365	9,240	30,048	715,752
Lassen	87,987	286,119	4,061	13,207	391,374
Los Angeles	25,427,974	82,687,785	31,629,927	102,855,562	242,601,248
Madera	358,370	1,165,361	0	0	1,523,731
Mariposa	45,209	147,013	577	1,873	194,672
Mendocino	224,471	729,945	25,188	81,908	1,061,512
Merced	612,399	1,991,425	24,225	78,778	2,706,827
Modoc	24,412	79,383	0	0	103,795
Mono	33,745	109,735	0	0	143,480
Monterey	1,054,394	3,428,725	164,174	533,868	5,181,161
Nevada	248,349	807,591	12,069	39,245	1,107,254
Orange	7,625,078	24,795,557	3,197,765	10,398,630	46,017,030
Placer	648,103	2,107,529	74,405	241,954	3,071,991
Plumas	53,221	173,066	0	0	226,287
Riverside	4,847,872	15,764,520	623,386	2,027,152	23,262,930
San Benito	143,022	465,084	0	0	608,106
San Bernardino	4,943,421	16,075,230	845,843	2,750,549	24,615,043
SANDAG	1,892,190	6,153,105	746,872	2,428,710	11,220,877
San Diego MTDB	5,719,197	18,597,934	2,670,509	8,684,078	35,671,718
San Joaquin	1,658,534	5,393,292	433,747	1,410,476	8,896,049
San Luis Obispo	653,327	2,124,517	106,601	346,647	3,231,092
Santa Barbara	1,046,410	3,402,762	281,208	914,446	5,644,826
Santa Cruz	651,116	2,117,326	732,106	2,380,694	5,881,242
Shasta	450,414	1,464,675	21,119	68,677	2,004,885
Sierra	8,689	28,255	0	0	36,944
Siskiyou	114,527	372,425	5,029	16,351	508,332
Stanislaus	1,276,590	4,151,268	75,337	244,984	5,748,179
Tehama	152,715	496,608	0	0	649,323
Trinity	34,806	113,182	645	2,097	150,730
Tulare	1,043,913	3,394,642	42,931	139,608	4,621,094
Tuolumne	144,521	469,959	0	0	614,480
Ventura	2,028,530	6,596,462	326,576	1,061,974	10,013,542
State Totals	\$ 92,255,372	\$ 300,000,000	\$ 92,255,372	\$ 300,000,000	\$ 784,510,744

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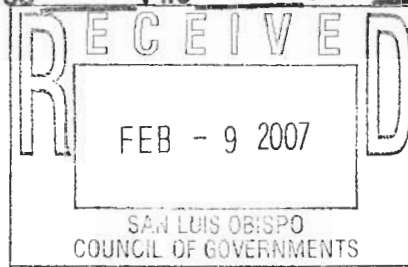
STATE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE
STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE FUND ALLOCATION ESTIMATE
FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008

<u>Regional Entity and Operator(s)</u>	<u>Revenue Basis</u>	<u>Public Transportation Account Fund Allocations</u>	<u>Proposition 1B Fund Allocations</u>	<u>PUC 99314 Total Allocations</u>
San Luis Obispo				
City of Atascadero	55,430	1,801	5,857	7,658
City of Morro Bay	30,271	983	3,199	4,182
City of Paso Robles Transit	115,972	3,769	12,255	16,024
City of San Luis Obispo	429,400	13,954	45,374	59,328
County of San Luis Obispo	76,645	2,491	8,099	10,590
San Luis Obispo Regional Transit Authority	2,075,677	67,450	219,336	286,786
South County Area Transit	<u>497,082</u>	<u>16,153</u>	<u>52,527</u>	<u>68,680</u>
Regional Entity Totals	3,280,477	106,601	346,647	453,248
Santa Barbara				
City of Lompoc	124,745	4,054	13,182	17,236
County of Santa Barbara	59,274	1,926	6,263	8,189
Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District	7,915,338	257,211	836,413	1,093,624
City of Santa Maria	497,307	16,160	52,550	68,710
City of Solvang	<u>57,135</u>	<u>1,857</u>	<u>6,038</u>	<u>7,895</u>
Regional Entity Totals	8,653,799	281,208	914,446	1,195,654
Santa Cruz				
Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District	22,529,540	732,106	2,380,694	3,112,800
Shasta				
Redding Area Bus Authority	649,920	21,119	68,677	89,796
Sierra				
	None	None	None	None
Siskiyou				
County of Siskiyou	154,737	5,029	16,351	21,380
Stanislaus				
City of Modesto	1,979,267	64,317	209,149	273,466
County of Stanislaus	212,436	6,904	22,448	29,352
City of Turlock	<u>126,691</u>	<u>4,116</u>	<u>13,387</u>	<u>17,503</u>
Regional Entity Totals	2,318,394	75,337	244,984	320,321
Tehama				
	None	None	None	None
Trinity				
County of Trinity	19,845	645	2,097	2,742

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February 2, 2007

To: Metropolitan Planning Organizations
 Regional Transportation Planning Agencies
 Local Transportation Commissions
 Public Works Directors of All Cities and Counties in California

Dear Director:

Subject: Obligation Authority Plans and Project Authorization for Federal Fiscal Year 2006-07

This letter has two objectives:

1. Notification that requests for authorization need to be submitted to the District Local Assistance Engineer (DLAE) by July 2, 2007 to ensure projects will be obligated by the end of the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2006-07.
2. Request that the annual Assembly Bill (AB) 1012 obligation plans be submitted by April 2, 2007.

Beginning in May, 2006, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) implemented changes to their project authorization review process. Due to these changes, a significant number of projects are taking up to 75 days at FHWA for their review prior to authorization. In addition, the California Department of Transportation (Department) and local agencies are now required to submit copies of supporting documents with each authorization request.

To ensure use of all available local obligation authority (OA) by the end of FFY 2006-07, we are requesting that the Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and the Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPAs) work closely with their local agencies to submit their requests for authorization by July 2, 2007.

With the compressed time frame for delivery it is also important that the AB1012 obligation plans be submitted to the DLAE by April 2, 2007. This will assist the Department in determining if all Regions will meet the AB 1012 requirements and if all of the local OA will be used by the end of the FFY. A separate request explaining the details of the obligation plan submittals will be sent shortly.

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Metropolitan Planning Organizations
Regional Transportation Planning Agencies
Local Transportation Commissions
Public Works Directors of All Cities and Counties in California
February 2, 2007
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Please be reminded that deobligations are running higher this year due to the new federal regulation related to inactive obligations. Each deobligation would result in the increase of OA which must be used in the current FFY or it may be permanently lost to the MPOs and RTPAs. I urge MPOs and RTPAs to work with their local agencies to review their federal inactive projects to prevent the deobligation or to plan for the use of the OA created by these deobligations.

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding inactive obligations or project authorizations, please contact your DLAE.

Sincerely,

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TERRY L. ABBOTT
Chief
Division of Local Assistance

c: District Local Assistance Engineers
Deputy District Directors for Local Assistance



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Bureau of the Census**

Regional Office
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February 6, 2007

Rich Murphy
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Dear Rich Murphy:

The Census Bureau is officially launching our first partnership program of the Census, the Local Update of Addresses Program (LUCA). The purpose of this program allows the U.S Census Bureau to benefit from local knowledge in developing its Master Address File for the 2010 Census. As you know, an accurate population count begins with a comprehensive address list and we know from experience in Census 2000 that local knowledge is a crucial part of the planning process. I've attached a document that explains the LUCA program in further detail.

We will be sending informational materials out to each Highest Elected Official and corresponding local and tribal census contacts in February or March of 2007. In addition, we have developed a presentation to promote this program. This promotional workshop my staff will present provides a basic overview and covers the requirements, options and schedule of the LUCA program. We would like to present this program as early as possible to allow governments to begin making preparations necessary to be a successful participant in LUCA.

Our Regional Planning Organizations and Councils of Government played a vital role in 2000 by promoting Census geographic programs, providing training space and encouraging participation. I would again like to ask for your help in hosting LUCA promotional workshops in your area. We would like to schedule these two-hour trainings in late March though mid May of 2007.

We look forward to working with you as we prepare for Census 2010. Linda Akers of my staff will be contacting you in the near future or you can reach her at (818) 267-1724 or via email at linda.kane.akers@census.gov.

Sincerely,

James T. Christy
Regional Director

Enclosures

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Will Your Community Be Ready for the 2010 Census Local Update of Census Addresses Program?

2010 Census LUCA Program

Issued
June 26, 2006

The Local Update of Census Addresses program, also known as LUCA, is a decennial census geographic partnership program that will allow the U.S. Census Bureau to benefit from local knowledge in developing its Master Address File for the 2010 Census and yearly ongoing household surveys. Tribal, state, and local governments can contribute to a complete enumeration of their community by reviewing and commenting on the list of housing units and group quarters addresses that the Census Bureau will use to deliver questionnaires within their community.

Why is the LUCA program important to your community?

An accurate population count starts with an up-to-date and accurate address list. If a housing unit or group quarters address is listed on the Master Address File, it will ensure that the people residing at the address will be enumerated. A February 2003 Government Accountability Office report prepared for a congressional requester indicated that in fiscal year 2000, about \$283 billion in federal grant money were distributed to state and local governments by formula; states received their share of this money based in part on factors such as annual population estimates derived from the 1990 decennial census. When the population estimates were updated to reflect the 2000 census results, an additional \$388 million in federal grant funding went predominantly to the 23 states that had above-average estimate revisions. Clearly the stakes are high, and a complete count is vital to cities and towns nationwide.

How is the LUCA program administered?

The LUCA program is made possible by the *Census Address List Improvement Act of 1994* (Public Law 103-430), which provides an opportunity for designated representatives of tribal, state, and local governments to review the addresses contained on the census address list. The program operates as follows:

- The invited governments designate a LUCA liaison to review the portion of the census address list covering the area under its jurisdiction. The LUCA liaison will be subject to the same confidentiality requirements as census workers, which prohibit the disclosure of census information. The address list is confidential under Title 13 U.S. Code and participants must review a set of security guidelines and sign a confidentiality agreement promising to protect the confidentiality of the addresses.
- The Census Bureau will send the LUCA liaison an address list from the Master Address File, corresponding maps, and address tallies.
- In areas with city-style addresses the LUCA liaison can provide input regarding individual addresses on the list, as well as addresses missing from the list that should be added. The Census Bureau will verify this input during the Address Canvassing Operation and provide feedback to the participants about the results.

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- In areas with non-city-style addresses (e.g., rural route and box number or post office box numbers), the LUCA liaisons will provide input regarding the count of housing unit and group quarters addresses. The Census Bureau will visit each census block during the Address Canvassing Operation and update the census address list. The Census Bureau will provide the LUCA participants with an updated address list and maps during the feedback phase.
- Public Law 103-430 allows the LUCA participants to appeal final Census Bureau decisions. All appeals must be adjudicated prior to Census Day to ensure that the housing unit is visited during the enumeration phase. An agency independent of the Census Bureau will review and decide on all appeals prior to Census Day, April 1, 2010.

How has the LUCA program changed from Census 2000?

The Census Bureau is making a number of improvements to the 2010 LUCA program:

- There will be a single review cycle for all address types.
- There will be a longer review period: 120 calendar days.
- There will be more advance notice so that participating governments can prepare.
- There will be more comprehensive program communications, as well as periodic contact to answer questions and gauge each participating government's progress.
- There will be three options for participation.
- Participating governments will be offered the option of using the Census Bureau supplied MAF/TIGER® Partnership Software application that combines the census address list, address count list, and maps in an easy-to-use software package.

What is the LUCA program schedule?

Time Frame	Activity
January 2007	LUCA advance-notice letters mailed to the highest elected official and other contacts in all active functioning governments.
July 2007	LUCA invitation letters and registration materials mailed to the highest elected official and other contacts of each government.
July 2007 to January 2008	Invited governments register for LUCA and the Census Bureau ships the LUCA review materials to each participating government.
August 2007 to April 2008	LUCA participants review and update the address list and return their comments to the Census Bureau's Regional Office within 120 days of receipt of materials.
April 2008 to October 2008	Census Bureau reviews the participant's LUCA submission and updates the Master Address File and TIGER® geographic database.
November 2008 to May 2009	Census Bureau prepares for and conducts the Address Canvassing Operation using GPS equipped handheld computers.
June 2009 to October 2009	Census Bureau processes feedback materials to the LUCA participants showing how it processed each government's LUCA submissions.
September 2009 to December 2009	LUCA participants review their LUCA feedback and have the opportunity to appeal the results to the LUCA Appeals Office.
September 2009 to January 2010	LUCA Appeals Office reviews and adjudicates appeals.

What are the LUCA participation options?

There are three participation options that provide each government with options based on the type of addressing within their community, access to an address list, willingness to sign a Title 13 confidentiality agreement, as well as level of resources for conducting the review.

Option 1—Full Address List Review

This option requires a Title 13 confidentiality agreement and allows the participating government to comment on the city-style addresses on the census address list and provide any city-style addresses that are missing from

the list. City-style addresses are those used for mailing or E-911 in a house number and street name format. In census blocks within a jurisdiction that contain non-city-style addresses (P.O. BOX, RR and BOX) the LUCA participant may challenge the count of addresses in each census block. After the Address Canvassing Operation validates the address changes, the participant will receive feedback on their submission and may "appeal" the results to an agency outside of the Census Bureau that will adjudicate the differences.

Option 2—Local Address List Submission (Title 13 option)

This option may be selected by governments that have city-style addressing (mailing or E-911) but do not wish to comment on the Census Bureau's address list. The participating government submits its list of city-style addresses assigned to the census blocks within its jurisdiction. The Census Bureau will provide Option 2 participants with the census address list and maps as a reference, which is why a Title 13 confidentiality agreement is required. After the Address Canvassing Operation validates the participant's address list submission, he or she will receive feedback on each address submitted to the Census Bureau. If the participant does not agree with the Census Bureau's treatment of his or her addresses, the government may "appeal" the results to an agency outside of the Census Bureau that will adjudicate the differences.

Option 3—Local Address List Submission (Non-Title 13 option)

This option may be selected by governments that have city-style addressing (mailing or E-911) but do not wish to comment on the Census Bureau's address list and do not wish to sign a confidentiality agreement, or cannot meet the Census Bureau's security guidelines for protecting Title 13 information. This option allows the participating government to help improve the census address list by submitting its city-style addresses coded to the census blocks within its jurisdiction. The Census Bureau will provide Option 3 participants with maps and counts of addresses for each census block. After the Address Canvassing Operation validates the participant's submission, he or she will receive updated maps and counts of addresses by census block. The participant cannot "appeal" the results under Option 3 since he or she will not be able to tell the independent appeals office which addresses are missing from the census address list.

What type of LUCA review materials will I receive?

Census Address List and Address Count List

The census address list will be offered in paper and computer-readable formats. The paper media option will be available for governments with 6,000 or fewer addresses (approximately 1,000 printed pages). The computer-readable lists are in ASCII pipe-delimited (|) text file format, which are easily opened using most common spreadsheet and database software applications.

Census Maps

The LUCA program maps will be offered in printed map sheet format or the participant may select the spatial data from TIGER® in shapefile format that requires a Geographic Information System (GIS) software application to view and update the file. LUCA participants using their own GIS software must use the Census Bureau-provided shapefiles and return their map feature updates in the specified shapefile format.

Census Bureau's MAF/TIGER® Partnership Software

Participating governments may also use a Census Bureau-supplied software application to update both the census address list and maps. The MAF/TIGER® Partnership Software (MTPS) is an easy-to-use tailored GIS application that combines both the census address list and digital maps into one application that the participant uses to do their address and map updates. The MTPS will also allow the LUCA participant to import his or her own address list and digital shapefiles for comparison to the Census Bureau's data. All address and map updates done with the MTPS will meet the Census Bureau's formatting requirements. This software is appropriate for any level of government that does not already have its own GIS software and only requires a Windows 98 or better operating system.

How does LUCA integrate with other Census Bureau programs?

One benefit of participation in the 2010 Census LUCA program is that participating governments will be able to use their LUCA maps to provide updates to their legal boundaries. This means that if your government provides legal boundary updates during LUCA, the Census Bureau will not contact your local government to participate in the 2008 Boundary and Annexation Survey (BAS). The Census Bureau conducts the BAS annually to collect information about selected legally defined geographic areas. The BAS is used to update information about the legal boundaries and names of all governmental units in the United States. The Census Bureau uses the boundary information collected in the BAS to tabulate data from various programs and surveys, such as the Population Estimates Program and the American Community Survey. The boundaries are also provided to other federal agencies in accordance with Office of Management and Budget Circular A-16 and Executive Order 12906.

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Yearly Boundary and Annexation Survey Schedule:

- September—the BAS contact is sent a prenotification letter (by fax/e-mail/mail) for the upcoming survey, asking if he or she will have changes to report as of January 1.
- January—BAS package mailed out.
- March–April—State Data Center staff conducts telephone follow-up.
- BAS packages received by April 1 will be included in the Population Estimates Program for estimates released the following calendar year.
- June 30—packages received will be included in the next BAS year materials.

Population Estimates Program

The Population Estimates Program publishes total resident population estimates and demographic components of change (births, deaths, and migration) each year. It also publishes the estimates by demographic characteristics (age, sex, race, and Hispanic origin) for the nation, states, and counties. In addition to the resident population universe, it also produces population estimates for these universes: resident plus armed forces overseas, civilian, and civilian noninstitutional at the national level; and civilian at the state level. The reference date for estimates is July 1 of each year.

American Community Survey

The American Community Survey (ACS) is a new nationwide survey designed to provide communities a fresh look at how they are changing. It is conducted instead of administering the long form in future censuses and is a critical element in the Census Bureau's reengineered 2010 Census plan. The ACS will enhance your ability to serve your constituents by providing you with more timely information about your community. Data from this survey will be released every year. Armed with more accurate and timely data, you will be able to make better informed decisions by having up-to-date information regarding your jurisdiction, its people, and its resources. The Census Bureau selects a random sample from its file of housing unit addresses. An address has about 1 chance in 480 of being selected in any month. No address will be selected more often than once every 5 years.

Both the Population Estimates Program and the ACS use the legal boundaries in existence for each jurisdiction on January 1 of each year. These boundaries are collected through the BAS, and all addresses geographically coded to the streets and roads within your jurisdiction become part of the sampling frame for the ACS as well as part of the base used to calculate your population estimates. Therefore, participation in the LUCA program and the BAS helps to ensure your community has good coverage—which contributes to good population estimates.

How do I find out more about LUCA and the other programs discussed?

Visit us at www.census.gov to reach the Census Bureau's home page.

To find out more about the LUCA, click on [Geography](#) then [Geographic Programs](#) or type in the URL www.census.gov/geo/www/programs.html. In July 2006, the Census Bureau will add a LUCA Web page to the Geographic Programs page. Your community will be able to find the latest information and documents about the LUCA program there. You may also send your questions and issues regarding the LUCA program to the following e-mail address: luca@geo.census.gov.

To find out more about the Boundary and Annexation Survey, click on [Geography](#) then [Geographic Programs](#) or type in the URL www.census.gov/geo/www/programs.html or contact us at GEO.BAS@census.gov.

To find out more about the Population Estimates Program and the American Community Survey, visit us at www.census.gov and click on links to the [Estimates](#) page and the [American Community Survey](#) page adjacent to People & Households in the center of the home page.

To find the local Census Bureau Regional Office that serves your community, visit us at www.census.gov and click on [Regional Offices](#) along the left side of the screen. Then click your state on the map to get to the regional office that serves your state.

For questions on general census geography, contact geography@geo.census.gov.

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February 13, 2007

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Dear Mr. DeCarli:

We are now accepting applications for a new Federal program, the 2007 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).

This Program replaces the former HES Program which was eliminated through the passage of SAFETEA-LU.

The interim guidelines and application for this program can be found on the Local Programs website, www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/#PrgInfo. The interim guidelines are almost identical to the former HES Program.

Projects that can receive authorization to proceed with construction prior to August 15, 2007, will be given high priority.

The deadline for applications to our office is April 13, 2007, and we hope to release a list of approved projects by May 14, 2007.

If you have any questions, please contact Mikie Wickersham, Program Coordinator, at (805) 549-3074.

Sincerely,

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