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To: LCOG Executive Committee

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Subject: Year End Financial Status and Transfers

The fiscal year that ended in June, 2009 was full of changes for LCOG. The financial stress of the S&DS Division, the move to Park Place and development of RLID version two were major events that also impacted agency finances. The purpose of the memo is to inform the Executive Committee of those changes.

The financial stress for S&DS increased as the economy declined during the fiscal year. The end result was not so bad in that there were no layoffs and only about a \$24,000 transfer from the General Fund was needed at year end. The current fiscal year is still uncertain as we wait for the allocations amounts from State DHS.

The construction of improvements in the Park Place Building and the subsequent move of the LCOG Planning and Administrative staff was a focus for a large part of the year. The construction costs were substantially higher than initial estimates, and the agency experienced the restricted credit markets of the struggling economy as it tried to borrow money to finance the improvements. The final result was the need for a \$775,000 transfer from the General Fund.

The release for version two of RLID was well received. It enhanced the usefulness of the regional geographic information system. This effort along with the usual costs of answering information questions and providing technical assistance resulted in the need for a transfer from the General Fund of about \$80,000.

To help keep the General Fund healthy, a transfer of about \$150,000 was made to it from the LCOG Telephone Reserve.

Overall it looks like it was a good year without major problems, which is very good considering the state of the economy.