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CAMERON PARK AIRPORT CAPITAL BUDGET-PROJECT REQUEST FORM

Project Name: Airport Vehicle(s): Lightweight/Compact 4X4 Pick Up Truck		
Rank priority: Low Medium High	Date of Submittal: March 18, 2021	
Project Manager: Kevin Cooksy	Date Approved by CPAD Board:	
Budget Estimate: \$12,000 (include source and breakdown of costs in an attachment) One-time expenses to cover vehicle cost, taxes, registration, and condition inspection Initiation Phase: N/A Planning Phase: N/A Execution Phase: N/A Delivery/Closure Phase: N/A		
Included in CIP Capital Plan: NO		
PROJECT TYPE (please select one classification from below)		
Consulting:	Repair/Maintain:	
New Construction:	Code or Infrastructure Deficiency:	
Staffing:	Airport Support equipment	
PROJECT JUSTIFICATION		



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Project Description: Describe the scope, location, equipment identification.

Operation and Maintenance of the airport requires several vehicle(s) uses,

- 1. Travel around airport for inspections, oversight of work, transport of equipment, materials
- 2. Towing mower and spraying equipment over uneven terrain and in tight spaces
- 3. Travelling off airport to bank, obtaining materials, disposing of material
- 4. Hauling brush and tree parts to burn pile locations on airport
- 5. Local travel in support of general District business

Best scenario is to acquire, a road-worthy compact pick-up truck. To date, CPAD has relied on a borrowed ATV/UTV to pull the airport's donated 60" deck mower. CPAD's sole vehicle, an aging electric gulf cart, is not road worthy and inadequate in both torques, range and capacity to fulfill any meaningful work application(s) except people transport. Reliance on the aging golf cart is proving untenable.

The superior usefulness of a light 4WD pick-up truck was demonstrated over several occasions in which CPAD borrowed a small pick-up truck for purposes of picking up equipment for the CalFire Growlersburg fire crew, making trips to the dump, moving larger equipment around the airfield (pulling the mentioned mower deck, moving walk-behind mowers from one end of the field to the other, taking large equipment in for service, etc.) was compelling.

Off airport trips currently require the use of a personal vehicle (usually the manager's) for necessary errands such as bank visits, parts pickup, debris removal, offsite meetings, etc.

Project Justification and Consequences of not funding: Describe how this project furthers CPAD goals and the negative impact of not funding.

The existing golf cart was decades old when donated to CPAD. It is under-powered, lacks adequate capacity to carry weight, has insufficient torque to pull equipment has limited and diminishing range per charge, and is increasingly unreliable (it has left an operator stranded some distance from the office despite a full charge). As such, loaned/borrowed ATVs have substituted on an occasional basis to undertake the mowing chores.

Personal vehicles are required for any hauling or off airport travel on CPAD business. The wear and tear on vehicles and tools of maintaining a 60-acre facility is not insignificant and should not routinely be the burden of airport donors. Moreover, there is no guarantee that loaned equipment will be available when needed; as such, significant time is wasted waiting on or arranging for its generous availability. It is incorrect to assume donor vehicles are readily available and that a donor is amenable to continued access to their personal asset(s) for routine and frequent high impact airport use. Repeated pleas for additional volunteer help have not resulted in any help, so CPAD has overstepped in some instances, becoming accustomed to repeat borrowing and excessive use of the same equipment.



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It is a poor way to operate for CPAD to depend on borrowed equipment to perform routine recurring activities or expect the manager to use his personal vehicle without compensation.

Not funding this vehicle leaves us in the same situation which has resulted in the inability to complete critical activities, wasted time, deterioration of relationships, and forcing the manager at his expense to use personal equipment.

Project Schedule: Describe the required schedule. Discuss implications of schedule delays.

Grass and vegetation management is an ongoing, year-round requirement for maintaining the airfield. It is either the growing season, vegetation burning season, or wild-fire mitigation season. Without the necessary equipment to pull the mower, move brush and debris, CPAD is at risk of not only wildfire, but sanctions from CalFire and Caltrans Aeronautics Division. We are striving to keep the airport trimmed to try and meet or vision for it and avoid the associated negative impact an unkempt property will have on the adjacent residential properties. The airport's trail mower is **currently** dependent on donated ATV/UTV resulting in wasted time and opportunities for mowing due to lack of a capable vehicle. A personal vehicle is required for the ongoing issue with off airport activities. The golf cart has neither the torque nor longevity to pull the mower deck; and is increasingly unreliable; occasionally failing without warning.

Linkages: If this project triggers another project or is linked to others, describe below.

This vehicle if multi-purpose covers off airport requirements, mowing, spraying, on airport hauling, and inspections. Without a viable/reliable work vehicle, the airport will continue to struggle with maintaining the airport grounds and infrastructure to an acceptable state. Vegetation will continue to grow largely unabated; trash and abandoned materials will continue to accumulate around the airport grounds and other temporary storage areas. Storage or deferred action for many of these instances will (does) cause issues with the airport's compliance with hazardous materials and vegetation ordinances and create a generally run-down appearance.

Answer the following as they pertain to the project:

- 1. What other alternatives to this project have been considered and why were they discounted? Loaned vehicles work but are dependent on their owners providing them when needed. Rented vehicles are time consuming to obtain and very expensive. Cost recovery for wear-and-tear on privately owned vehicles is not taken into consideration when borrowing the asset and, in hindsight, can create additional challenges for the airport in the form of liability and repairs.
- 2. Is this project expected to decrease/increase operating costs?

How and by how much? Increased operating costs for maintenance, and license fees. Already paying for liability insurance, may need comprehensive and collision coverage.

Specific policy on the use and authorization to use this vehicle will have to be created and approved.



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CONTINUOUS OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Permits: Current and future

Annual license and registration: \$150 per year

Insurance: Current and future

Will need collision and comprehensive for any street legal / registered vehicle. Available under current CPAD vehicle policy

Inspections and Fees: Current and future **None**: Biannual CA SMOG \$100.00

Maintenance: Describe, cost. Current and future

Two oil changes, set aside for breakdowns estimated at \$125 per year

Lifetime: 10 years

PRIORITY (1-5)

Impact: (1) necessary to keep up with maintenance and operations without dependence on loaned equipment

Legal Requirements: (3) possible liability for injury or damage to others and to vehicle

Safety: (3) Vehicle with towing capacity, seatbelts, etc.

Hazard: (5) no impact

Cost Benefit: (3) Owned vehicle avoids wasted time waiting for loaners, saves compensation for personal vehicle use

Other: (1) Immediately available (as opposed to arranging borrowed vehicles) to complete small but important activities, such as a block of the mowing rotation, to maintain the property. Efficiency of finishing tasks will be greatly improved.

PROJECT SUBMITTED By:

Name: Kevin Cooksy Date: 3/16/2021