DEPARTMENT: Public Works/Fleet  
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RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Public Works is requesting approval of the proposed allocation of the electric vehicles recently acquired by a grant through the National Park Service.

The County recently acquired five small electric vehicles (GEMcars) through a grant obtained by the National Park Service. These vehicles are of limited use with a maximum speed of 25 mph and a range of 35 miles. They are essentially "souped up" utility golf carts. Taking into account the road conditions which include steep terrain and limited sight distance, staff felt that the vehicles should only be used in relatively safe areas. As a result of those considerations the following tentative assignments were made:

Environmental Health - One vehicle for use around Mariposa Town Planning area.

Parks and Recreation - One vehicle for use around Mariposa Town planning area

Public Works - One vehicle for use at the Public Works main yard

Airport - Two vehicles for use at the airport.

Each Department will be responsible for the maintenance of the assigned vehicles but otherwise will not be charged for mileage or vehicle replacement.

Staff recommends that the Board approve the above vehicle assignments.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

The Board approved the offer to receive five GEMcars from the National Park Service December 2002.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The Board may recommend a different allocation of the vehicles. One possible suggestion is to allocate one vehicle tentatively assigned to the airport to the Mariposa Middle School to be used to transport physically challenged students from the school to the recreational facilities recently completed as a joint project between the County and the School District.
CLERK'S USE ONLY:
Res. No. 128-2007  Ord  __  ___
Vote – Ayes: ___ Noes: ___
Absent: ___
( ) Approved
( ) Minute Order Attached  ( ) No Action Necessary

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of
the original on file in this office.
Date:
Attest: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
   County of Mariposa, State of California
By: __________________________________________________________________
   Deputy

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:
( ) Resolved Action Recommended
( ) Rejected Action Recommended
✓ No Opinion
Comments:
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CAO: __________
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA,

ADOPTED THIS Order on June 24, 2003

ACTION AND VOTE:

C) Approve the Proposed GEMcar Allocation as Recommended by Public Works

BOARD ACTION: Supervisor Pickard advised of a request received from the Fairgrounds to use one of the GEMcars. Supervisor Balmain suggested that consideration be given to taking one of the two vehicles that was proposed to be allocated to the Airport for the Fairgrounds. (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, Res. 03-237 was adopted approving the allocation, with direction for Public Works to allocate one of the vehicles to the Fairgrounds. Jeff Green, County Counsel, suggested that there be a written agreement with the Fairgrounds for the use of the vehicle. The motion was amended by the maker, agreeable with the second, to include the approval of an agreement with the Fairgrounds for the use of a GEMcar and authorization for the agreement to be signed/Ayes: Unanimous.

cc: Jeff Green, County Counsel
Rich Begley, Deputy Director Parks and Recreation
Brian Hodge, Registered Environmental Health Specialist
Maria Liddle, Mariposa/Yosemite Airport
File
Offer and Agreement
GEMcar Vehicle Donation Program

As a part of the Global Electric Motorcars (GEM) Donation Program, the National Park Foundation, and the National Park Service (NPS) hereby offer County of Mariposa, hereinafter called recipient, five GEMcar long bed utility electric vehicle(s), as described in Attachment 1, hereinafter called donated vehicle(s). The recipient agrees to accept delivery of donated vehicle(s) at a NPS managed location specified at a later date. Recipient agrees to assume responsibility for the procurement and installation of any desired accessories following delivery of donated vehicle(s). Recipient agrees to take possession of the allocated vehicle(s) within three (3) business days of notification of delivery. The recipient agrees to accept donated vehicle(s) in an as delivered condition, coordinating any warranty repair or replacement resulting from manufacturing defect or damage during transport.

The recipient agrees to the use and operation of the vehicles in accordance with the terms and conditions of this agreement as specified in Attachment 1 and other applicable state and local laws. Recipient further agrees to provide for the registration and licensing of the donated vehicles for use on public roads, not withstanding the intended use, and assume full responsibility and liability for the storage, use, and operation of donated vehicle(s) following delivery.

The recipient designates the following person for accepting delivery of the donated vehicle(s):

Name: Robert C. Stewart  Phone: (209) 966-3222
Fax: (209) 966-5147  E-mail:  Cell:

This offer expires at 5 PM on Wednesday, October 2, 2002. Please provide for the acceptance of this offer by an official duly authorized to accept said donated vehicle(s) with a signature below, returning this offer and agreement by fax to the National Park Service Pacific Great Basin Support Office at 510-817-1505 and the National Park Foundation, Attn: Eddie Gonzalez at 202-234-3103 or by other means for receipt prior to the expiration of offer.

Accepted for Recipient

By: Robert C. Stewart  Title: Chairman, Board of Supervisors
Printed Name: Robert C. Stewart  Number: 209-966-3222

ATTACHMENT #1
Attachment 1

National Park Foundation and Global Electric Motors
GEMcar Vehicle Donation Program

GEMcars are zero-emission electric vehicles approved for use on public roads with a maximum speed limit of 35 MPH. The donated vehicles will help meet sustainable transportation goals in your parks with reduced air emissions and lower noise levels.

Terms and Conditions

- All donated vehicle(s) are to be used within the State of California.
- Recipients are responsible for registering, licensing and accessioning and plating the donated vehicle(s) in the State of California (as applicable) including all associated costs.
- Recipients are responsible for insuring the vehicle(s) including any associated costs.
- Recipients are responsible for transporting their vehicle(s) from a pre-determined delivery drop-off point to their operational location. Recipients will be notified of the scheduled delivery date. On-site agencies will pick up their vehicles at the delivery drop off point no later than three working days of delivery.
- Donated vehicle(s) become the property of the recipient.
- GEMcar vehicles will have an 800 number and website information on the vehicle windshield with contact information regarding vehicle operation questions, repairs, service and parts.
- Global Electric Motors will provide a 1-year warranty and mobile, onsite service for 1-year.

Contact/Delivery Persons - Each recipient will maintain a designated contact person and delivery person to work with the National Park Service in the delivery of donated vehicle(s). The contact person shall assure recipient compliance with the terms and conditions of the offer and agreement and maintain communication with NPS concerning the transfer of the donated vehicle(s). The delivery person shall be responsible for accepting delivery of vehicle(s) on behalf of the recipient. The delivery person or designee shall arrange for taking possession of the vehicle(s) at the designated NPS location within three days of notice.

Vehicle Registration - The recipient is required to register the donated vehicle(s) with the State of California, Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) at a local DMV office. Proof of registration must be sent to the National Park Foundation, Attn: Eddie Gonzalez, Director of Grants and Programs, via FAX at (202) 234-3103 within 30 days of vehicle delivery.

Maintenance - Grant recipients are responsible for regular maintenance of their GEMcar vehicle(s). However, the vehicle(s) come with a one-year warranty, including parts and onsite service. A Global Electric Motors service contact number will be forwarded to you in case warranty-related, non-routine maintenance problems arise.

Reporting - Each recipient is required to respond to a single two page report provided at a later date documenting participation in the program and listing specific benefits gained by use of the donated vehicle(s).

Vehicle Specifications

- Curb Weight: 1240 lb., GVW: 2300 lb.
- Dimensions L 144 in., H 69.5 in., W 55 in.
- Turning Radius: 16 feet 1 in., 101 in.
- wheelbase
- Bed size: L 70 in. x W 48 in.
- Front wheel drive
- Four-wheel hydraulic brakes
- Safety glass windshield with wipers
- Anchored 3-point seatbelts
- Low-maintenance batteries
- Head lamps and tail lamps w/ stop lamps and turn signals
- Rack and pinion steering
- Travel speeds to 25 mph with 35 mile range