

TO: Workforce Investment Board

DATE: 09/14/06

FROM: WIB Staff

For Action

For Information

For Discussion

SUBJECT: Application to Employment & Training Administration (ETA)/Dept of Labor (DOL) for Community-Based Training Grant

PROPOSED MOTION (S): Approve the Workforce Investment Board's (WIB) support and commitment to Worknet Employment Resource Center's application for Community-based Job Training Grant.

DISCUSSION: The Employment and Training Administration and US Dept of Labor have announced the availability of competitive grant funds for community-based training grants. ETA intends to fund approximately seventy-five (75) grants ranging from \$500,000 to \$2 million over a three-year period. The Merced County application is for \$1,850,443.38.

The Merced County Department of Workforce Investment in collaboration with Merced College, the Stanislaus County Department of Employment and Training and the Yosemite Community College District/Modesto Junior College, and the Madera County Department of Education Employment & Training Office and Reedley College, along with the WIBs from each County, will collaborate on the grant proposal.

The grant funding will be used to support or engage in a combination of capacity building and training activities for the purpose of building the capacity of community colleges to train Licensed Vocational Nurses. Proposals were due by August 29, 2006.

ATTACHMENT (S): N/A