

FACT SHEET

WESTERN SLOPE ANIMAL SHELTER

- El Dorado County Animal Services operates out of multiple, separate temporary locations.
- The temporary shelter is inadequate and undersized to serve the community and our homeless dogs, cats and other small animals. Large animals have to be boarded elsewhere.
- Current, separate, temporary locations for Animal Services Officers, small, and large animals is inefficient and ineffective.
- All these **temporary quarters are costly**. Each year about \$150,000 is spent in rent and boarding costs, that could be put towards the construction of an asset that will serve the County and its residents for decades.
- These temporary stop-gap facilities have now been in place for over three years.
- El Dorado County already owns the building site for the West Slope Animal Shelter. That money is spent.
- El Dorado County is contractually obligated to build a road through the site to access the shelter from Pleasant Valley Road. This obligation was part of the purchase agreement. The cost of the road remains, whether the county moves forward with the badly needed shelter or not.
- El Dorado County has already paid for the design of the West Slope Animal Shelter.
- After over five years of process and over a year “on hold”, the project should now move forward and take advantage of the best bidding climate we have seen in years. Your construction dollar is going to go farther, right now than we’ve seen in a very long time.

IMPORTANCE OF THE ANIMAL SHELTER

- **Only shelter** for dogs, cats, large animals and other small animals on West Slope.
- **Public Safety:** Animal Services' responsibility to protect public from bites, accidents due to stray animals, rabid and diseased animals, dangerous dogs.
- **Protecting Animals:** abused and neglected; protective custody care while investigations are conducted.
- **Sheltering Animals:** stray, abandoned, owner relinquished, quarantined; and those displaced due to disasters
- **Reuniting strays:** with their owners
- **Adoption services:** after medical and behavioral assessments and spay/neuter.
- **Livestock/Agriculture:** Animal Services enforces laws that protect livestock.

WESTERN SLOPE ANIMAL SHELTER COST INFORMATION

COMPLETED EXPENSES

Land Purchase Price	\$ 454,000
CEQA Review	50,000
Architectural Design Firm + sub consultants	574,400
Already Invested-El Dorado "Y" site	\$1,078,400
(Project Mgt staff costs not included here)	

REMAINING EXPENSES - ENGINEER'S ESTS. (DOT 5/17/2010 Report)

Site Preparation & Development, including road	\$1,514,180
Structure Costs (including \$90,000 in barns/outbids)	4,138,000
Shelter Specific Costs (kennels, security, comm, equip)	440,000
Architectural/proj. mgt., Tech. consultants	219,500
Total Remaining Project Estimate	\$6,311,680
Contingency	946,800
Grand Total Remaining	\$7,258,480