# SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



ITEM: 2.13
(ID # 27099)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

Kimberly A. Rector Clerk of the Board

FROM: TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR

**SUBJECT:** TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR: Treasurer's Statement of Investment Policy - February 2025, All Districts. [\$0]

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the revised Treasurer's Statement of Investment Policy to become effective immediately upon approval by the Board of Supervisors.

**ACTION:Consent** 

Matthew Jennings, Treasurer-Tax Collector 2/11/2025

#### MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Spiegel, seconded by Supervisor Perez and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes:

Medina, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Gutierrez

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Date:

February 25, 2025

XC:

Treasurer

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:		Next Fiscal Year	:	Total Cost:		Ongoi	ng Cost	
COST	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0		\$	0
NET COUNTY COST	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0		\$	0
SOURCE OF FUNDS:	N/A				Budget A	djustm	ent: N	10	
SOUNCE OF TONDO.	N/A				For Fisca	l Year:		24/2	5

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

#### **BACKGROUND:**

#### Summary

California Government Code Section 53646(a) states, "The Treasurer may annually render to the Board of Supervisors and any oversight committee a statement of investment policy, which the board shall review and approve at a public meeting. Any change in the policy shall also be reviewed and approved at a public meeting."

The Treasurer's Statement of Investment Policy sets the broad parameters of the County's investment activities. It is also an important element in the ratings process for the Treasurer's Pooled Investment Fund.

The County's Investment Oversight Committee has reviewed the policy, as required, at its January 23, 2025 meeting. All changes are in compliance with California Government Code Sections 53601 & 53635 which govern the County Treasurer's investments of surplus monies.

The attached policy reflects changes in our Statement of Investment Policy.

Aaron Gettis, Chief of Deput County Counsel 2/14/2025

# **COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE**

# TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR



INVESTMENT POLICY STATEMENT

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The Treasurer Tax-Collectors (TTC) Statement of Investment Policy is presented annually to the County Investment Oversight Committee (IOC) for review and to the Board of Supervisors (BOS) for approval, pursuant to the requirements of Sections <u>53646(a)</u> and <u>27133</u> of the California Government Code (GOV §). This policy will become effective immediately upon approval by the BOS.

#### 2. SCOPE

The TTC Statement of Investment Policy is limited in scope to only those county, school, special districts and other fund assets actually deposited and residing in the County Treasury. It does not apply to bond proceeds or other assets belonging to the County of Riverside, or any affiliated public agency the assets of which reside outside of the County Treasury.

#### 3. FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY

GOV §27000.3 declares each Treasurer, or governing body authorized to make investment decisions on behalf of local agencies, to be a trustee and therefore a fiduciary subject to the prudent investor standard. This standard, as stated in GOV §27000.3 requires that "When investing, reinvesting, purchasing, acquiring, exchanging, selling, or managing public funds, the county Treasurer or the BOS, as applicable, shall act with care, skill, prudence, and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing, specifically including, but not limited to, the general economic conditions and the anticipated needs of the county and other depositors, that a prudent person acting in a like capacity and familiarity with those matters would use in the conduct of funds of a like character and with like aims, to safeguard the principal and maintain the liquidity needs of the county and the other depositors."

#### 4. PORTFOLIO OBJECTIVES

The first and primary objective of the TTC's investment of public funds is to **safeguard investment principal**; second, to maintain sufficient **liquidity** within the portfolio to meet daily cash flow requirements; and third, to achieve a reasonable rate of return or **yield** on the portfolio consistent with these objectives. The portfolio shall be actively managed in a manner that is responsive to the public trust and consistent with State law.

#### 5. AUTHORITY

Statutory authority for the TTC's investment and safekeeping functions are found in GOV §53601 and 53635 et. seq. The TTC's authority to make investments is to be renewed annually, pursuant to state law. The County Ordinance is No. 767. GOV §53607 effectively requires the legislative body to delegate investment authority of the County on an annual basis.

#### 6. AUTHORIZED INVESTMENTS

Investments shall be restricted to those authorized in GOV § <u>53601</u> and <u>53635</u> as amended and as further restricted by this policy statement. All investments shall be governed by the restrictions shown in Schedule I which defines the type of investments authorized, maturity limitations, portfolio diversification, credit quality standards (two of the three nationally recognized ratings shall be used for corporate and municipal securities), and purchase restrictions that apply.

#### 7. STAFF AUTHORIZED TO MAKE INVESTMENTS

Only the TTC, Matthew Jennings, Assistant Treasurer-Tax Collector, Chief Investment Officer, Deputy Investment Officer, and Investment Officer are authorized to make investments and to order the receipt and delivery of investment securities among custodial security clearance accounts.

#### 8. AUTHORIZED BROKER/DEALERS

Securities transactions are limited solely to those noted on Schedule III of this policy.

#### 9. DAILY ACCOUNTABILITY AND CONTROL

All investment transactions are to be conducted at the TTC's office, or approved remote location subjected to Board Policy A-50 and Department Telecommute policy., All investment transactions will be entered daily into the TTC's internal financial accounting system. Transactions are reviewed by the Fiscal Compliance Unit daily. In addition, a bi-weekly and monthly compliance review of investment holdings are conducted. All reviews are signed off by the Treasurer-Tax Collector and Fiscal Compliance staff. Portfolio income shall be reconciled daily, monthly and quarterly, prior to the distribution of earnings among those entities sharing in pooled fund investment income.

#### 10. SECURITY CUSTODY & DELIVERIES

All securities, except for money market funds registered in the County's name and securities issued by the County or other local agencies shall be deposited for safekeeping with banks contracted to provide the County TTC with custodial security clearance services. These third-party trust department arrangements provide the County with a perfected interest in, and ownership and control over, the securities held by the custodian on the County's behalf and are intended to protect the County from the bank's own creditors in the event of a bank default and filing for bankruptcy. Securities are **NOT** to be held in investment firm/broker dealer accounts. All security transactions are to be conducted on a "delivery versus payment basis." Confirmation receipts on all investments are to be reviewed immediately for conformity with County transaction documentation. Securities issued by local agencies purchased directly shall be held in the TTC's vault. The security holdings shall be reconciled with the custodian holding records daily. The TTC's Fiscal Compliance unit will audit purchases daily for compliance, and audit holding records monthly.

#### 11. COMPETITIVE PRICING

Investment transactions are to be made at current market value and competitively priced whenever possible. Competitive pricing does not necessarily require submission of bids, but does require adequate comparative analysis. The current technology utilized by the Treasury provides this information.

#### 12. MATURITY LIMITATIONS

No investment shall exceed a final maturity date of five years from the date of purchase unless it is authorized by the BOS pursuant to GOV §53601. The settlement date will be used as the date of purchase for measuring maturity limitations.

#### 13. LIQUIDITY

The portfolio shall maintain a weighted average day to maturity (WAM) of less than 541 days or 1.5 years. To provide sufficient liquidity to meet daily expenditure requirements, the portfolio shall maintain at least 40% of its total value in securities having maturities 1 year or less.

#### 14. SECURITIES LENDING

The TTC may engage in securities lending activity limited to 20% of the portfolio's book value on the date of transaction. Instruments involved in a securities lending program are restricted to those securities pursuant to GOV §53601 and by the TTC's Statement of Investment Policy.

#### 15. REVERSE REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS

The Treasury shall not engage in any form of leverage for the purpose of enhancing portfolio yield. There shall be no entry into reverse repurchase agreements except for temporary and unanticipated cash flow requirements that would cause the TTC to sell securities at a principal loss. Any reverse repurchase agreements are restricted pursuant to GOV §53601 and by the TTC's Statement of Investment Policy.

#### 16. MITIGATING MARKET & CREDIT RISKS

Safety of principal is the primary objective of the portfolio. Each investment transaction shall seek to minimize the County's exposure to market and credit risks by giving careful and ongoing attention to the: (1) credit quality standards issued by the nationally recognized rating agencies on the credit worthiness of each issuer of the security, (2) limiting the concentration of investment in any single firm as noted in <u>Schedule I</u>, (3) by limiting the duration of investment to the time frames noted in Schedule I, and (4) by maintaining the diversification and liquidity standards expressed within this policy.

#### 17. TRADING & EARLY SALE OF SECURITIES

All securities are to be purchased with the intent of holding them until maturity. However, in an effort to minimize market and credit risks, securities may be sold prior to maturity either at a profit or loss when economic circumstances, trend in short-term interest rates, or a deterioration in creditworthiness of the issuer warrants a sale of the securities to either enhance overall portfolio yield or to minimize further erosion and loss of investment principal. Such sales should take into account the short- and long-term impacts on the portfolio. However, the sale of a security at a loss can only be made after first securing the approval of the TTC.

#### 18. PURCHASE OF WHEN ISSUED SECURITIES

When issued (W.I.) purchases of securities and their subsequent sale prior to cash settlement are authorized as long as sufficient cash is available to consummate their acceptance into the TTC's portfolio on the settlement date.

#### 19. PORTFOLIO REPORTS/AUDITING

Portfolio reports required by GOV § 53607 and 27133(e) shall be filed monthly with the BOS, IOC, Superintendent of Schools, Executive

Officer, County Auditor Controller and interested parties. Consistent with Board Policy B-21 (County Investment Policy Statement), § III A, an outside compliance audit will be conducted annually. Outside audits will be conducted at least biennially by an independent auditing firm selected by the BOS, per Board Minute Order No. 3.48. Reports are posted monthly on the Treasurer's website:

http://www.countyTreasurer.org/Treasurer/TreasurersPooledInvestmentFund/MonthlyReports.aspx

#### 20. SPECIFIC INVESTMENTS

Specific investments for individual funds may be made in accordance with the TTC's Statement of Investment Policy, upon written request and approval of the responsible agency's governing board, and approval of the TTC. Investments outside of the policy may be made on behalf of such funds with approval of the governing Board and approval of the TTC. All specific investments shall be memorialized by a Memorandum of Understanding. With the purchase of specific investments, the fund will be allocated the earnings and/or loss associated with those investments. The TTC reserves the right to allocate a pro-rata charge for administrative costs to such funds.

#### 21. PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Portfolio performance is monitored daily and evaluated monthly in comparison to the movement of the Treasurer's Institutional Money Market Index (TIMMI), or another suitable index. Over time, the portfolio rate of return should perform in relationship to such an index. Regular meetings are to be conducted with the investment staff to review the portfolio's performance, in keeping with this policy, and current market conditions.

#### 22. INVESTMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

In accordance with GOV §27130, the BOS has established an IOC. The role of the Committee is advisory in nature. It has no input on day to day operations of the Treasury.

#### 23. QUARTERLY APPORTIONMENT OF INVESTMENT EARNINGS

Portfolio income, including gains and losses (if any), will be distributed quarterly in compliance with GOV § 53684 and 53844 which give the TTC broad authority to apportion earnings and losses among those participants sharing in pooled investment income, and, except for specific investments in which the interest income is to be credited directly to the fund from which the investment was made, all investment income is to be distributed pro-rata based upon each participant's average daily cash balance for the fiscal quarter. Any subsequent adjustments of reported earnings by the Auditor-Controller will be first reviewed and approved by the TTC to assure compliance with GOV § 53684 and 53844. The TTC employs the modified Cash/ Accrual apportionment method.

#### 24. QUARTERLY ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS

Prior to the quarterly apportionment of pooled fund investment income, the County TTC is permitted, pursuant to GOV §27013, to deduct from investment income before the distribution thereof, the actual cost of the investment, audit, deposit, handling and distribution of such income. Accordingly, in keeping with GOV § 27013, 27133(f), and 27135, the Treasury shall deduct from pooled fund investment earnings the actual cost incurred for: banking services, custodial safekeeping charges, the pro-rata annual cost of the salaries including fringe benefits for the personnel in the TTC's office engaged in the administration, investment, auditing, cashiering, accounting, reporting, remittance processing and depositing of public funds for investment, together with the related computer and office expenses associated with the performance of these functions. Costs are apportioned based upon average daily ending balances. Prior to gaining reimbursement for these costs, the TTC shall annually prepare a proposed budget revenue estimate per GOV §27013.

#### 25. TREASURY OPERATIONS

Treasury operations are to be conducted in the most efficient manner to reduce costs and assure the full investment of funds. The TTC will maintain a policy regarding outgoing wires and other electronic transfers. Requests for outgoing transfers which do not arrive on a timely basis may be delayed. The County TTC may institute a fee schedule to more equitably allocate costs that would otherwise be spread to all depositors.

#### 26. POLICY CRITERIA FOR AGENCIES SEEKING VOLUNTARY ENTRY

Should any agency solicit entry, the agency shall comply with the requirements of GOV § 53684 and adopt a resolution by the legislative or governing body of the local agency authorizing the deposit of excess funds into the County treasury for the purpose of investment by the County TTC. The resolution shall specify the amount of monies to be invested, the personnel authorized by the agency to coordinate the transaction, the anticipated time frame for deposits, the agency's

willingness to be bound to the statutory 30-day written notice requirement for withdrawals, and acknowledging the TTC's ability to deduct pro-rata administrative charges permitted by GOV §27013. Any solicitation for entry into the TPIF must have the County TTC's consent before the receipt of funds is authorized. The depositing entity will enter into a depository agreement with the TTC.

#### 27. POLICY CRITERIA FOR VOLUNTARY PARTICIPANT WITHDRAWALS

With the TTC being required to always maintain a 40% liquidity position during the calendar year, it is anticipated that sufficient funds will be on hand to immediately meet on demand all participant withdrawals for the full dollar amounts requested without having to make any allowance or prorata adjustment based on the current market value of the portfolio. In addition, any withdrawal by a local agency for the purpose of investing or depositing those funds outside the Pool shall have the prior written approval of the County TTC.

The TTC's approval of the withdrawal request shall be based on the availability of funds; the circumstances prompting the request; the dollar volume of similar requests; the prevailing condition of the financial markets, and an assessment of the effect of the proposed withdrawal on the stability and predictability of the investments in the county treasury.

#### 28. POLICY ON RECEIPT OF HONORARIA, GIFTS AND GRATUITIES

Neither the TTC nor any member of his staff, shall accept any gift, gratuity or honoraria from financial advisors, brokers, dealers, bankers or other persons or firms conducting business with the County TTC which exceeds the limits established by the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) and relevant portions of GOV §27133. IOC members shall be subject to the limits included in the BOS Policy B-21.

#### 29. ETHICS & CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Officers and staff members involved in the investment process shall refrain from any personal business activity that compromises the security and integrity of the County's investment program or impairs their ability to make impartial and prudent investment decisions. In addition, the County TTC, Assistant TTC, Chief Investment Officer, Deputy Investment Officer, Investment Officer and Assistant Investment Officer are required to file annually the applicable financial disclosure statements as mandated by the FPPC and County policy.

#### 30. INVESTMENTS MADE FROM DEBT ISSUANCE PROCEEDS

The proceeds of a borrowing may be specifically invested per Schedule I of this policy (with the exception of Collateralized Time Deposits and Local Agency Obligations) as well as competitively bid investments (see County of Riverside Office of The TTC Policy Governing Competitively Bid Investments, dated March 3, 2011).

No pooled fund investments made from the proceeds of a borrowing, the monies of which are deposited in the County TTC, shall be invested for a period exceeding the maturity date of the borrowing. Nor shall any monies deposited with a bank trustee or fiscal agent for the ultimate purpose of retiring the borrowing be invested beyond the maturity date of the borrowing.

#### 31. POLICY ADOPTION & AMENDMENTS

This policy statement will become effective following adoption by the BOS and will remain in force until subsequently amended in writing by the TTC and approved by the BOS.

Matthew Jennings

County of Riverside

Treasurer-Tax Collector

02/25/2025

### 32. AUTHORIZED INVESTMENTS SCHEDULE I

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AUTHORIZED INVESTMENTS	CA GOV §	DIVERSI FICATIO N (1)	PURCHASE RESTRICTION S	MAXIMUM MATURIT Y	MINIMUM QUALITY (S&P/MOODY' S/FITCH)
U.S. Treasury Obligations	53601 (b)	100%	N/A	5 years	N/A
U.S. Government Agency Obligations	53601(f)	100%	N/A	5 years	N/A
State Obligations (Munis) and CA Local Agency Obligation	53601(c) 53601(d) 53601(e)	15% maximum	See Schedule II	5 years	AA-, Aa3, AA-
Supranational Obligations issued or fully guaranteed as to principal and interest by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the International Finance Corporation, and Inter-American Development Bank.	53601(q)	20% maximum	Max 10% per issuer	5 years	AA-, Aa3, AA- Applied to the issuer's senior debt ratings.
Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF)	16429.1	\$50 million maximum	Maximum \$50 million per LAIF	Daily	N/A
Commercial Paper	53635(a)( 1)	40% maximum	See Schedule II	270 days	A-1, P-1, F1
Local Agency Obligations	53601(e)	2.5% maximum	BOS approval required. Issued by pool depositors only	3 years	Non-rated, if in the opinion of the Treasurer, considered to be of investment grade or better
Joint Powers Authority Pool CalTRUST Short Term Fund (CLTR) ,California Asset Management Program (CAMP)	53601(p)	1% maximum	Board of Supervisors approval required	Daily	NR / Portfolio managed pursuant to California Government Code § 53601 & 53635

Negotiable Certificates of Deposit	53601(i)	20% maximum	See Schedule II	2 year	A-1, P-1, F1" or better
Collateralized Time Deposits	53630 et seq 53601(n)	2% maximum	See Schedule IV	1 year	N/A
Repurchase Agreements (REPO) with 102% collateral restricted to U. S. Treasuries, agencies, agency mortgages	53601(j)	40% max, 25% in term repo over 7 days. No more than 20% w/one dealer in term repo	Repurchase agreements to be on file	45 days	
Reverse Repurchase Agreements on U. S. Treasury & federal agency securities in portfolio	53601(j)	10% maximum	For temporary cash flow needs only.	Max 60 days with prior approval of BOS	N/A
Medium Term Notes (Corporate Notes)	53601(k)	20% maximum	See Schedule II	Maximum 4 years	A, A2, A See Schedule II
Interest bearing Checking Account		20% maximum	N/A	Daily	Fully collateralized with US Treasuries or US Federal agency notes
Money Market Mutual Funds (MMF)	53601(i) and 53601.6( b)	20% maximum	See Schedule V	Daily	AAA (2 of 3 nationally recognized rating services)

# 33. SCHEDULE II POLICY CRITERIA CORPORATE AND MUNICIPAL SECURITIES

Corporate Criteria. Money market securities will be first restricted by short-term ratings and then further restricted by long term credit ratings. The long-term credit ratings, including the outlook of the parent company will be used. Money market securities consist of negotiable certificates of deposit (NCDs), bankers' acceptances, and commercial paper. Medium term securities will be restricted by the long-term ratings of the legal issuer. Concentration limit restrictions will make no distinction between medium term notes and money market securities.

No short-term negative credit watch or long-term negative outlook by 2 of 3 nationally recognized rating services except for entities participating in government guaranteed programs. Credit Category 1 and Category 2 with negative credit watch or long-term negative outlook, by more than one nationally recognized rating service is permitted as Category 3 and Category 4 respectively.

**Municipal Criteria.** Minimum of A or A2 or A, underlying credit rating for selecting insured municipal securities and a maximum of 5% exposure to any one insurer (direct purchases and indirect commitments).

**Liquidity Provider Restrictions.** Maximum of 5% exposure to any one institution (direct purchases and indirect commitments).

Category	Short-Term Ratings	Long-Term Ratings	Restrictions
1	A-1+/P-1/F1+ (SP-1+/MIG1/F1+)	AAA/Aaa/AAA	Corp. (MTN) Maximum of 5% per issuer with no more than 3% greater than 1 year final maturity  Muni. Maximum of 5% per issuer
2	A-1+/P-1/F1+ (SP-1+/MIG1/F1)	AA+/Aa1/AA+, AA/Aa2/AA	Corp. Maximum of 4% per issuer with no more than 2% greater than 1 year final maturity.  Muni. Maximum of 5% per issuer.
3	A-1+/P-1/F1+ (SP-1+/MIG1/F1)	AA-/Aa3/AA-	Corp. Maximum of 4% per issuer with no more than 2% greater than 180 days. No more than 270 days final maturity.  Muni. Maximum of 5% per issuer.
4	A-1/P-1/F1 (SP-1/MIG1/F1)	A/A2/A or better.	<b>Corp.</b> No Asset Backed programs. Maximum of 3% per issuer with no more than 2% greater than 30 days. No more than 90 days maximum maturity.

## **Rating Agency Comparison Table**

Short-Term Scale

Long-Term Scale

+, A-1
, F1

S&P	AAA, AA+, AA, AA-, A+, A, A-
Moody's	Aaa, Aa1, Aa2, Aa3, A1, A2, A3
Fitch	<b>AAA</b> , <b>AA+</b> , <b>AA</b> , <b>AA-</b> , <b>A+</b> , <b>A</b> , <b>A-</b>

#### 34. SCHEDULE III AUTHORIZED BROKER/DEALERS

The TTC is authorized to conduct investment security transactions with the broker/dealers which are designated by the Federal Reserve Bank as primary government dealers. Security transactions with firms, other than those appearing on this list, are prohibited.

#### 1. Other authorized firms:

Academy Securities, Inc. Bank of New York **FTN** Insperex LLC Moreton Capital Loop Capital **Great Pacific Securities MUFG** Piper Sandler & Co. Ramirez & Co, Inc. Raymond James & Associates, Inc. Siebert Williams Shank & Co. Stifel Nicolas & Co Southstate DuncanStoneX Financial Inc US Bank PNC Bank National

- 2. Direct purchases of commercial paper, money market mutual funds, negotiable CDs, are authorized.
- 3. Incidental purchases of less than \$10 million may be made with other firms if in the opinion of the TTC, such transactions are deemed advantageous.

To ensure compliance with the County TTC's investment guidelines, each newly authorized primary government dealer and other authorized firms (as listed above in section 1, 2 and 3) will be supplied a complete copy of this Investment Policy document approved by the BOS.

- 1. The County TTC has elected to limit security transactions as mentioned in Schedule III. Accordingly, the financial institution must confirm that they are a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA), registered with the Securities & Exchange Commission (SEC), and possess all other required licenses. The TTC is prohibited from the selection of any broker, brokerage, dealer, or securities firm that has, within any consecutive 48-month period following January 1, 1996, made a political contribution in an amount exceeding the limitations contained in Rule G-37 of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, to the local Treasurer, any member of the governing board of the local agency, or any candidate for those offices.
- 2. The County TTC's intent is to enter into long-term relationships. Therefore, the integrity of the firm and the personnel assigned to our account is of primary importance.
- 3. The firm must specify the types of securities it specializes in and will be made available for our account.
- 4. It is important that the firm provide related services that will enhance the account relationship which could include:
  - (a) An active secondary market for its securities.
  - (b) Internal credit research analysis on commercial paper, banker's acceptances and other securities it offers for sale.
  - (c) Be willing to trade securities for our portfolio.
  - (d) Be capable of providing market analysis, economic projections, and newsletters.
  - (e) Provide market education on new investment products, security spread relationships, graphs, etc.
- 5. The firm must be willing to provide us monthly financial statements, and transactional confirms.
- 6. The County TTC is prohibited from the establishment of a broker/dealer account for the purpose of holding the County's securities. All securities must be subject to delivery at the County's custodial bank.
- 7. Without exception, all transactions are to be conducted on a delivery versus payment (DVP) basis.
- 8. The broker/dealer must have been in operation for more than 5 years, and, if requested, the firm must be willing to provide us a list of local government clients or other reference, particularly those client relationships established within the State of California.

#### 36. SCHEDULE V POLICY CRITERIA FOR COLLATERALIZED TIME DEPOSITS

Before the TTC can place a time deposit with a local bank or savings and loan, the following criteria must be met:

- 1. The bank must provide us with an executed copy of the "Contract for Deposit of Moneys."
- 2. The interest rate on the Time Certificate of Deposit must be competitive with rates offered by other banks and savings and loans residing in Riverside County, as well as exceed that of U.S. Treasury Securities.
- 3. Investments exceeding the FDIC insurance limit shall be fully collateralized by U.S. Treasury and Federal Agency securities having maturities five years or less. The County Treasury must receive written confirmation that these securities have been pledged in repayment of the time deposit. The securities pledged as collateral must have a current market value greater than the dollar amount of the deposit in keeping with the ratio requirements specified in Code Section 53652. Additionally, a statement of the collateral shall be provided monthly. A collateral waiver for the portion insured by the FDIC will be granted.
- 4. The County TTC must be given a current audited financial statement for the financial year just ended as well as the most recent quarterly statement of financial condition. The financial reports must both include a statement of financial condition as well as an income statement depicting current and prior year operations.
- 5. The County TTC will not place a public fund deposit for more than 10% of the present paidin capital and surplus of the bank.
- 6. The County TTC must receive a certificate of deposit which specifically expresses the terms governing the transaction, deposit amount, issue date, maturity date, name of depositor, interest rate, interest payment terms (monthly, quarterly, etc).
- 7. All time certificates must have a maturity date not exceeding one year from the date of the deposit, with interest payments based upon the stated interest rate.
- 8. The County TTC must receive a letter from an officer of the bank at the time the initial deposit is made, that there is no known pending financial disclosure or public announcement of an adverse financial event involving the bank or savings and loan, nor is there any knowledge that a conflict-of-interest situation exists between any County official and an officer or employee of the bank.

37. SCHEDULE VI POLICY CRITERIA FOR ENTERING INTO A MONEY MARKETFUND

Shares of beneficial interest issued by diversified management companies, also known as money market mutual funds, invest in the securities and obligations authorized by GOV § 53601.7(10). Approved mutual funds will be registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. Sec. 80a-1 et. seq.) and shall meet the following criteria:

- 1. The fund must have a AAA rating from two of the nationally recognized rating services: Moody's, Fitch, Standard & Poor's.
- 2. The fund's prospectus cannot allow hedging strategies, options or futures.
- 3. The fund must provide a current prospectus before participation in the fund and provide access to copies of their portfolio reports.

#### GLOSSARY

AGENCY ISSUES - Securities issued by federal agencies, those chartered by the federal government or Government Sponsored Enterprises that are considered to be backed by the federal government. See also Government Sponsored Enterprises.

ASSET-BACKED SECURITY (ABS) - A financial security backed by a loan, lease, or receivables against assets other than real estate and mortgage-backed securities.

COLLATERALIZATION - Process by which a borrower pledges securities, property or other deposits for the purpose of securing the repayment of a loan and/or security.

COLLATERALIZED CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT - An instrument representing a receipt from a bank for a deposit at a specified rate of interest for a specified period of time that is collateralized by the bank with securities at a minimum of 110% of the deposit amount.

COMMERCIAL PAPER - Money Market instrument representing an unsecured short-term promissory note of a corporation at a specified rate of return for a specified period of time.

COUPON - The stated interest rate on a debt security that an issuer promises to pay.

CREDIT QUALITY - An indication of risk that an issuer of a security will fulfill its obligation, as rated by a rating agency.

CREDIT RATING - A standardized assessment, expressed in alphanumeric characters, of a company's creditworthiness.

CREDIT RISK - The risk to an investor that an issuer will default in the payment of interest and/or principal on a security.

DIVERSIFICATION - The practice or concept of investing in a range of securities by sector, maturity, asset class or credit quality in order to reduce and spread financial risk.

DOLLAR WEIGHTED AVERAGE MATURITY - The sum of the amount of each security investment multiplied by the number of days to maturity, divided by the total amount of security investments.

DURATION - Is a measure of the price volatility of a portfolio and reflects an estimate of the projected increase or decrease in the value of that portfolio based upon a decrease or increase in the interest rates. A duration of 1.0 means that for every one percent

increase in interest rates, the market value of the Portfolio would decrease by 1.0 percent.

EARNINGS APPORTIONMENT - Is the quarterly interest distribution to the Pool Participants where the actual investment costs incurred by the Treasurer are deducted from the interest earnings of the Pool.

GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS - Securities issued by the U.S. Treasury and Federal Agencies. U.S. Treasuries are direct obligations of the Federal Government. Agencies are not direct obligations of the Federal Government but involve Federal sponsorship or guarantees.

GOVERNMENT SPONSORED ENTERPRISES (GSE'S) - Private, shareholder-owned companies with a relationship with government agencies. These agencies generally are viewed to have an implied guarantee of the U.S. government. These include: Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA) Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) Federal Farm Credit Bank (FFCB) Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC) LIQUID - A security that is easily bought and sold because of the willingness of interested buyers and sellers to trade large quantities at a reasonable price.

LOCAL AGENCY OBLIGATION - An indebtedness issued by a local agency, department, board, or authority within the State of California.

LONG-TERM - The term used to describe a security when the maturity is greater than one year.

MARKET VALUE - An estimate of the value of a security at which the principal would be sold from a willing seller to a willing buyer at the date of pricing.

MEDIUM TERM NOTES - These are Corporate Notes and Bank Notes that are debt obligations of banks, corporations, and insurance companies. They are issued at a specific rate of return for a specific period of time.

MONEY MARKET MUTUAL FUND - A mutual fund with investments directed in short-term money market instruments only, which can be withdrawn daily without penalty.

NEGOTIABLE CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT - A Money Market instrument representing a receipt from a bank for a deposit at a specified rate of interest for a specified period of time that is traded in secondary markets.

PAR - The stated maturity value, or face value, of a security.

POOL - In this context, the pooled monies of different government agencies administered by the County Treasurer. Each pool member owns a fractional interest in the securities held in the Pool.

PORTFOLIO VALUE - The total book value amount of all the securities held in the Treasurer's Pooled Money Fund.

PRIMARY DEALER - A group of dealers and banks that can buy and sell securities directly with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

REPURCHASE AGREEMENT - A repurchase agreement consists of two simultaneous transactions. One is the purchase of securities by an investor (i.e., the County), the other is the commitment by the seller (i.e. a broker/dealer) to repurchase the securities at the same price, plus interest, at some mutually agreed future date.

REVERSE REPURCHASE AGREEMENT - The mirror image of Repurchase Agreements. In this instance the County Pool is the seller of securities to an investor (i.e. brokers).

SAFEKEEPING - A custodian bank's action to store and protect an investor's securities by segregating and identifying the securities.

SECURITIES LENDING - A transaction wherein the Treasurer's Pool transfers its securities to broker/dealers and other entities for collateral which may be cash or securities and simultaneously agrees to return the collateral for the same securities in the future.

SHORT-TERM - The term used to describe a security when the maturity is one year or less.

VOLUNTARY PARTICIPANTS - Local agencies that are not required to deposit their funds with the County Treasurer.

WHEN-ISSUED SECURITIES - A security traded before it receives final trading authorization with the investor receiving the certificate/security only after the final approval is granted. YIELD - The gain, expressed as a percentage that an investor derives from a financial asset.

YIELD TO MATURITY - The percentage rate of return paid if the security is held to its maturity date. The calculation is based on the coupon rate, length of time to maturity, and market price. It assumes that coupon interest paid over the life of the security is reinvested at the same rate.

# **COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE**

## TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR



INVESTMENT POLICY STATEMENT

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The Treasurer Tax-Collectors (TTC) Statement of Investment Policy is presented annually to the County Investment Oversight Committee (IOC) for review and to the Board of Supervisors (BOS) for approval, pursuant to the requirements of Sections <u>53646(a)</u> and <u>27133</u> of the California Government Code (GOV §). This policy will become effective immediately upon approval by the BOS.

#### 2. SCOPE

The TTC Statement of Investment Policy is limited in scope to only those county, school, special districts and other fund assets actually deposited and residing in the County Treasury. It does not apply to bond proceeds or other assets belonging to the County of Riverside, or any affiliated public agency the assets of which reside outside of the County Treasury.

#### 3. FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY

GOV §27000.3 declares each Treasurer, or governing body authorized to make investment decisions on behalf of local agencies, to be a trustee and therefore a fiduciary subject to the prudent investor standard. This standard, as stated in GOV §27000.3 requires that "When investing, reinvesting, purchasing, acquiring, exchanging, selling, or managing public funds, the county Treasurer or the BOS, as applicable, shall act with care, skill, prudence, and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing, specifically including, but not limited to, the general economic conditions and the anticipated needs of the county and other depositors, that a prudent person acting in a like capacity and familiarity with those matters would use in the conduct of funds of a like character and with like aims, to safeguard the principal and maintain the liquidity needs of the county and the other depositors."

#### 4. PORTFOLIO OBJECTIVES

The first and primary objective of the TTC's investment of public funds is to **safeguard investment principal**; second, to maintain sufficient **liquidity** within the portfolio to meet daily cash flow requirements; and third, to achieve a reasonable rate of return or **yield** on the portfolio consistent with these objectives. The portfolio shall be actively managed in a manner that is responsive to the public trust and consistent with State law.

#### 5. AUTHORITY

Statutory authority for the TTC's investment and safekeeping functions are found in GOV §53601 and 53635 et. seq. The TTC's authority to make investments is to be renewed annually, pursuant to state law. The County Ordinance is No. 767. GOV §53607 effectively requires the legislative body to delegate investment authority of the County on an annual basis.

#### 6. AUTHORIZED INVESTMENTS

Investments shall be restricted to those authorized in GOV § <u>53601</u> and <u>53635</u> as amended and as further restricted by this policy statement. All investments shall be governed by the restrictions shown in Schedule I which defines the type of investments authorized, maturity limitations, portfolio diversification, credit quality standards (two of the three nationally recognized ratings shall be used for corporate and municipal securities), and purchase restrictions that apply.

#### 7. STAFF AUTHORIZED TO MAKE INVESTMENTS

Only the TTC, Matthew Jennings, Assistant Treasurer-Tax Collector, Chief Investment Officer, Deputy Investment Officer, and Investment Officer are authorized to make investments and to order the receipt and delivery of investment securities among custodial security clearance accounts.

#### 8. AUTHORIZED BROKER/DEALERS

Securities transactions are limited solely to those noted on Schedule III of this policy.

#### 9. DAILY ACCOUNTABILITY AND CONTROL

All investment transactions are to be conducted at the TTC's office, or approved remote location subjected to Board Policy A-50 and Department Telecommute policy., All investment transactions will be entered daily into the TTC's internal financial accounting system. Transactions are reviewed by the Fiscal Compliance Unit daily. In addition, a bi-weekly and monthly compliance review of investment holdings are conducted. All reviews are signed off by the Treasurer-Tax Collector and Fiscal Compliance staff. Portfolio income shall be reconciled daily, monthly and quarterly, prior to the distribution of earnings among those entities sharing in pooled fund investment income.

#### 10. SECURITY CUSTODY & DELIVERIES

All securities, except for money market funds registered in the County's name and securities issued by the County or other local agencies shall be deposited for safekeeping with banks contracted to provide the County TTC with custodial security clearance services. These third-party trust department arrangements provide the County with a perfected interest in, and ownership and control over, the securities held by the custodian on the County's behalf and are intended to protect the County from the bank's own creditors in the event of a bank default and filing for bankruptcy. Securities are **NOT** to be held in investment firm/broker dealer accounts. All security transactions are to be conducted on a "delivery versus payment basis." Confirmation receipts on all investments are to be reviewed immediately for conformity with County transaction documentation. Securities issued by local agencies purchased directly shall be held in the TTC's vault. The security holdings shall be reconciled with the custodian holding records daily. The TTC's Fiscal Compliance unit will audit purchases daily for compliance, and audit holding records monthly.

#### 11. COMPETITIVE PRICING

Investment transactions are to be made at current market value and competitively priced whenever possible. Competitive pricing does not necessarily require submission of bids, but does require adequate comparative analysis. The current technology utilized by the Treasury provides this information.

#### 12. MATURITY LIMITATIONS

No investment shall exceed a final maturity date of five years from the date of purchase unless it is authorized by the BOS pursuant to GOV §53601. The settlement date will be used as the date of purchase for measuring maturity limitations.

#### 13. LIQUIDITY

The portfolio shall maintain a weighted average day to maturity (WAM) of less than 541 days or 1.5 years. To provide sufficient liquidity to meet daily expenditure requirements, the portfolio shall maintain at least 40% of its total value in securities having maturities 1 year or less.

#### 14. SECURITIES LENDING

The TTC may engage in securities lending activity limited to 20% of the portfolio's book value on the date of transaction. Instruments involved in a securities lending program are restricted to those securities pursuant to GOV §53601 and by the TTC's Statement of Investment Policy.

#### 15. REVERSE REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS

The Treasury shall not engage in any form of leverage for the purpose of enhancing portfolio yield. There shall be no entry into reverse repurchase agreements except for temporary and unanticipated cash flow requirements that would cause the TTC to sell securities at a principal loss. Any reverse repurchase agreements are restricted pursuant to GOV §53601 and by the TTC's Statement of Investment Policy.

#### 16. MITIGATING MARKET & CREDIT RISKS

Safety of principal is the primary objective of the portfolio. Each investment transaction shall seek to minimize the County's exposure to market and credit risks by giving careful and ongoing attention to the: (1) credit quality standards issued by the nationally recognized rating agencies on the credit worthiness of each issuer of the security, (2) limiting the concentration of investment in any single firm as noted in <u>Schedule I</u>, (3) by limiting the duration of investment to the time frames noted in Schedule I, and (4) by maintaining the diversification and liquidity standards expressed within this policy.

#### 17. TRADING & EARLY SALE OF SECURITIES

All securities are to be purchased with the intent of holding them until maturity. However, in an effort to minimize market and credit risks, securities may be sold prior to maturity either at a profit or loss when economic circumstances, trend in short-term interest rates, or a deterioration in creditworthiness of the issuer warrants a sale of the securities to either enhance overall portfolio yield or to minimize further erosion and loss of investment principal. Such sales should take into account the short- and long-term impacts on the portfolio. However, the sale of a security at a loss can only be made after first securing the approval of the TTC.

#### 18. PURCHASE OF WHEN ISSUED SECURITIES

When issued (W.I.) purchases of securities and their subsequent sale prior to cash settlement are authorized as long as sufficient cash is available to consummate their acceptance into the TTC's portfolio on the settlement date.

#### 19. PORTFOLIO REPORTS/AUDITING

Portfolio reports required by GOV § 53607 and 27133(e) shall be filed monthly with the BOS, IOC, Superintendent of Schools, Executive

Officer, County Auditor Controller and interested parties. Consistent with Board Policy B-21 (County Investment Policy Statement), § III A, an outside compliance audit will be conducted annually. Outside audits will be conducted at least biennially by an independent auditing firm selected by the BOS, per Board Minute Order No. 3.48. Reports are posted monthly on the Treasurer's website:

http://www.countyTreasurer.org/Treasurer/TreasurersPooledInvestmentFund/MonthlyReports.aspx

#### 20. SPECIFIC INVESTMENTS

Specific investments for individual funds may be made in accordance with the TTC's Statement of Investment Policy, upon written request and approval of the responsible agency's governing board, and approval of the TTC. Investments outside of the policy may be made on behalf of such funds with approval of the governing Board and approval of the TTC. All specific investments shall be memorialized by a Memorandum of Understanding. With the purchase of specific investments, the fund will be allocated the earnings and/or loss associated with those investments. The TTC reserves the right to allocate a pro-rata charge for administrative costs to such funds.

#### 21. PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Portfolio performance is monitored daily and evaluated monthly in comparison to the movement of the Treasurer's Institutional Money Market Index (TIMMI), or another suitable index. Over time, the portfolio rate of return should perform in relationship to such an index. Regular meetings are to be conducted with the investment staff to review the portfolio's performance, in keeping with this policy, and current market conditions.

#### 22. INVESTMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

In accordance with GOV §27130, the BOS has established an IOC. The role of the Committee is advisory in nature. It has no input on day to day operations of the Treasury.

#### 23. QUARTERLY APPORTIONMENT OF INVESTMENT EARNINGS

Portfolio income, including gains and losses (if any), will be distributed quarterly in compliance with GOV § 53684 and 53844 which give the TTC broad authority to apportion earnings and losses among those participants sharing in pooled investment income, and, except for specific investments in which the interest income is to be credited directly to the fund from which the investment was made, all investment income is to be distributed pro-rata based upon each participant's average daily cash balance for the fiscal quarter. Any subsequent adjustments of reported earnings by the Auditor-Controller will be first reviewed and approved by the TTC to assure compliance with GOV § 53684 and 53844. The TTC employs the modified Cash/ Accrual apportionment method.

#### 24. QUARTERLY ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS

Prior to the quarterly apportionment of pooled fund investment income, the County TTC is permitted, pursuant to GOV §27013, to deduct from investment income before the distribution thereof, the actual cost of the investment, audit, deposit, handling and distribution of such income. Accordingly, in keeping with GOV § 27013, 27133(f), and 27135, the Treasury shall deduct from pooled fund investment earnings the actual cost incurred for: banking services, custodial safekeeping charges, the pro-rata annual cost of the salaries including fringe benefits for the personnel in the TTC's office engaged in the administration, investment, auditing, cashiering, accounting, reporting, remittance processing and depositing of public funds for investment, together with the related computer and office expenses associated with the performance of these functions. Costs are apportioned based upon average daily ending balances. Prior to gaining reimbursement for these costs, the TTC shall annually prepare a proposed budget revenue estimate per GOV §27013.

#### 25. TREASURY OPERATIONS

Treasury operations are to be conducted in the most efficient manner to reduce costs and assure the full investment of funds. The TTC will maintain a policy regarding outgoing wires and other electronic transfers. Requests for outgoing transfers which do not arrive on a timely basis may be delayed. The County TTC may institute a fee schedule to more equitably allocate costs that would otherwise be spread to all depositors.

#### 26. POLICY CRITERIA FOR AGENCIES SEEKING VOLUNTARY ENTRY

Should any agency solicit entry, the agency shall comply with the requirements of GOV § 53684 and adopt a resolution by the legislative or governing body of the local agency authorizing the deposit of excess funds into the County treasury for the purpose of investment by the County TTC. The resolution shall specify the amount of monies to be invested, the personnel authorized by the agency to coordinate the transaction, the anticipated time frame for deposits, the agency's

willingness to be bound to the statutory 30-day written notice requirement for withdrawals, and acknowledging the TTC's ability to deduct pro-rata administrative charges permitted by GOV §27013. Any solicitation for entry into the TPIF must have the County TTC's consent before the receipt of funds is authorized. The depositing entity will enter into a depository agreement with the TTC.

#### 27. POLICY CRITERIA FOR VOLUNTARY PARTICIPANT WITHDRAWALS

With the TTC being required to always maintain a 40% liquidity position during the calendar year, it is anticipated that sufficient funds will be on hand to immediately meet on demand all participant withdrawals for the full dollar amounts requested without having to make any allowance or prorata adjustment based on the current market value of the portfolio. In addition, any withdrawal by a local agency for the purpose of investing or depositing those funds outside the Pool shall have the prior written approval of the County TTC.

The TTC's approval of the withdrawal request shall be based on the availability of funds; the circumstances prompting the request; the dollar volume of similar requests; the prevailing condition of the financial markets, and an assessment of the effect of the proposed withdrawal on the stability and predictability of the investments in the county treasury.

#### 28. POLICY ON RECEIPT OF HONORARIA, GIFTS AND GRATUITIES

Neither the TTC nor any member of his staff, shall accept any gift, gratuity or honoraria from financial advisors, brokers, dealers, bankers or other persons or firms conducting business with the County TTC which exceeds the limits established by the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) and relevant portions of GOV §27133. IOC members shall be subject to the limits included in the BOS Policy B-21.

#### 29. ETHICS & CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Officers and staff members involved in the investment process shall refrain from any personal business activity that compromises the security and integrity of the County's investment program or impairs their ability to make impartial and prudent investment decisions. In addition, the County TTC, Assistant TTC, Chief Investment Officer, Deputy Investment Officer, Investment Officer and Assistant Investment Officer are required to file annually the applicable financial disclosure statements as mandated by the FPPC and County policy.

#### 30. INVESTMENTS MADE FROM DEBT ISSUANCE PROCEEDS

The proceeds of a borrowing may be specifically invested per Schedule I of this policy (with the exception of Collateralized Time Deposits and Local Agency Obligations) as well as competitively bid investments (see County of Riverside Office of The TTC Policy Governing Competitively Bid Investments, dated March 3, 2011).

No pooled fund investments made from the proceeds of a borrowing, the monies of which are deposited in the County TTC, shall be invested for a period exceeding the maturity date of the borrowing. Nor shall any monies deposited with a bank trustee or fiscal agent for the ultimate purpose of retiring the borrowing be invested beyond the maturity date of the borrowing.

#### 31. POLICY ADOPTION & AMENDMENTS

This policy statement will become effective following adoption by the BOS and will remain in force until subsequently amended in writing by the TTC and approved by the BOS.

Matthew Jennings

County of Riverside

Treasurer-Tax Collector

02/25/2025

### 32. AUTHORIZED INVESTMENTS SCHEDULE I

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AUTHORIZED INVESTMENTS	CA GOV §	DIVERSI FICATIO N (1)	PURCHASE RESTRICTION S	MAXIMUM MATURIT Y	MINIMUM QUALITY (S&P/MOODY' S/FITCH)
U.S. Treasury Obligations	53601 (b)	100%	N/A	5 years	N/A
U.S. Government Agency Obligations State Obligations (Munis) and CA Local Agency Obligation	53601(f) 53601(c) 53601(d) 53601(e)	100% 15% maximum	N/A See Schedule II	5 years 5 years	N/A AA-, Aa3, AA-
Supranational Obligations issued or fully guaranteed as to principal and interest by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the International Finance Corporation, and Inter-American Development Bank.	53601(q)	20% maximum	Max 10% per issuer	5 years	AA-, Aa3, AA- Applied to the issuer's senior debt ratings.
Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF)	16429.1	\$50 million maximum	Maximum \$50 million per LAIF	Daily	N/A
Commercial Paper	53635(a)( 1)	40% maximum	See Schedule II	270 days	A-1, P-1, F1
Local Agency Obligations	53601(e)	2.5% maximum	BOS approval required. Issued by pool depositors only	3 years	Non-rated, if in the opinion of the Treasurer, considered to be of investment grade or better
Joint Powers Authority Pool CalTRUST Short Term Fund (CLTR) ,California Asset Management Program (CAMP)	53601(p)	1% maximum	Board of Supervisors approval required	Daily	NR / Portfolio managed pursuant to California Government Code § 53601 & 53635

Negotiable Certificates of Deposit	53601(i)	20% maximum	See Schedule II	2 year	A-1, P-1, F1" or better
Collateralized Time Deposits	53630 et seq 53601(n)	2% maximum	See Schedule IV	1 year	N/A
Repurchase Agreements (REPO) with 102% collateral restricted to U. S. Treasuries, agencies, agency mortgages	53601(j)	40% max, 25% in term repo over 7 days. No more than 20% w/one dealer in term repo	Repurchase agreements to be on file	45 days	
Reverse Repurchase Agreements on U. S. Treasury & federal agency securities in portfolio	53601(j)	10% maximum	For temporary cash flow needs only.	Max 60 days with prior approval of BOS	N/A
Medium Term Notes (Corporate Notes)	53601(k)	20% maximum	See Schedule II	Maximum 4 years	A, A2, A See Schedule II
Interest bearing Checking Account		20% maximum	N/A	Daily	Fully collateralized with US Treasuries or US Federal agency notes
Money Market Mutual Funds (MMF)	53601(i) and 53601.6( b)	20% maximum	See Schedule V	Daily	AAA (2 of 3 nationally recognized rating services)

# 33. SCHEDULE II POLICY CRITERIA CORPORATE AND MUNICIPAL SECURITIES

Corporate Criteria. Money market securities will be first restricted by short-term ratings and then further restricted by long term credit ratings. The long-term credit ratings, including the outlook of the parent company will be used. Money market securities consist of negotiable certificates of deposit (NCDs), bankers' acceptances, and commercial paper. Medium term securities will be restricted by the long-term ratings of the legal issuer. Concentration limit restrictions will make no distinction between medium term notes and money market securities.

No short-term negative credit watch or long-term negative outlook by 2 of 3 nationally recognized rating services except for entities participating in government guaranteed programs. Credit Category 1 and Category 2 with negative credit watch or long-term negative outlook, by more than one nationally recognized rating service is permitted as Category 3 and Category 4 respectively.

**Municipal Criteria.** Minimum of A or A2 or A, underlying credit rating for selecting insured municipal securities and a maximum of 5% exposure to any one insurer (direct purchases and indirect commitments).

**Liquidity Provider Restrictions.** Maximum of 5% exposure to any one institution (direct purchases and indirect commitments).

Category	Short-Term Ratings	Long-Term Ratings	Restrictions
1	A-1+/P-1/F1+ (SP-1+/MIG1/F1+)	AAA/Aaa/AAA	Corp. (MTN) Maximum of 5% per issuer with no more than 3% greater than 1 year final maturity  Muni. Maximum of 5% per issuer
2	A-1+/P-1/F1+ (SP-1+/MIG1/F1)	AA+/Aa1/AA+, AA/Aa2/AA	Corp. Maximum of 4% per issuer with no more than 2% greater than 1 year final maturity.  Muni. Maximum of 5% per issuer.
3	A-1+/P-1/F1+ (SP-1+/MIG1/F1)	AA-/Aa3/AA-	Corp. Maximum of 4% per issuer with no more than 2% greater than 180 days. No more than 270 days final maturity.  Muni. Maximum of 5% per issuer.
4	A-1/P-1/F1 (SP-1/MIG1/F1)	A/A2/A or better.	<b>Corp.</b> No Asset Backed programs. Maximum of 3% per issuer with no more than 2% greater than 30 days. No more than 90 days maximum maturity.

## **Rating Agency Comparison Table**

Short-Term Scale

Long-Term Scale

+, A-1
, F1

S&P	AAA, AA+, AA, AA-, A+, A, A-
Moody's	Aaa, Aa1, Aa2, Aa3, A1, A2, A3
Fitch	<b>AAA</b> , <b>AA+</b> , <b>AA</b> , <b>AA-</b> , <b>A+</b> , <b>A</b> , <b>A-</b>

#### 34. SCHEDULE III AUTHORIZED BROKER/DEALERS

The TTC is authorized to conduct investment security transactions with the broker/dealers which are designated by the Federal Reserve Bank as primary government dealers. Security transactions with firms, other than those appearing on this list, are prohibited.

#### 1. Other authorized firms:

Academy Securities, Inc. Bank of New York **FTN** Insperex LLC Moreton Capital Loop Capital **Great Pacific Securities MUFG** Piper Sandler & Co. Ramirez & Co, Inc. Raymond James & Associates, Inc. Siebert Williams Shank & Co. Stifel Nicolas & Co Southstate DuncanStoneX Financial Inc US Bank PNC Bank National

- 2. Direct purchases of commercial paper, money market mutual funds, negotiable CDs, are authorized.
- 3. Incidental purchases of less than \$10 million may be made with other firms if in the opinion of the TTC, such transactions are deemed advantageous.

To ensure compliance with the County TTC's investment guidelines, each newly authorized primary government dealer and other authorized firms (as listed above in section 1, 2 and 3) will be supplied a complete copy of this Investment Policy document approved by the BOS.

- 1. The County TTC has elected to limit security transactions as mentioned in Schedule III. Accordingly, the financial institution must confirm that they are a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA), registered with the Securities & Exchange Commission (SEC), and possess all other required licenses. The TTC is prohibited from the selection of any broker, brokerage, dealer, or securities firm that has, within any consecutive 48-month period following January 1, 1996, made a political contribution in an amount exceeding the limitations contained in Rule G-37 of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, to the local Treasurer, any member of the governing board of the local agency, or any candidate for those offices.
- 2. The County TTC's intent is to enter into long-term relationships. Therefore, the integrity of the firm and the personnel assigned to our account is of primary importance.
- 3. The firm must specify the types of securities it specializes in and will be made available for our account.
- 4. It is important that the firm provide related services that will enhance the account relationship which could include:
  - (a) An active secondary market for its securities.
  - (b) Internal credit research analysis on commercial paper, banker's acceptances and other securities it offers for sale.
  - (c) Be willing to trade securities for our portfolio.
  - (d) Be capable of providing market analysis, economic projections, and newsletters.
  - (e) Provide market education on new investment products, security spread relationships, graphs, etc.
- 5. The firm must be willing to provide us monthly financial statements, and transactional confirms.
- 6. The County TTC is prohibited from the establishment of a broker/dealer account for the purpose of holding the County's securities. All securities must be subject to delivery at the County's custodial bank.
- 7. Without exception, all transactions are to be conducted on a delivery versus payment (DVP) basis.
- 8. The broker/dealer must have been in operation for more than 5 years, and, if requested, the firm must be willing to provide us a list of local government clients or other reference, particularly those client relationships established within the State of California.

#### 36. SCHEDULE V POLICY CRITERIA FOR COLLATERALIZED TIME DEPOSITS

Before the TTC can place a time deposit with a local bank or savings and loan, the following criteria must be met:

- 1. The bank must provide us with an executed copy of the "Contract for Deposit of Moneys."
- 2. The interest rate on the Time Certificate of Deposit must be competitive with rates offered by other banks and savings and loans residing in Riverside County, as well as exceed that of U.S. Treasury Securities.
- 3. Investments exceeding the FDIC insurance limit shall be fully collateralized by U.S. Treasury and Federal Agency securities having maturities five years or less. The County Treasury must receive written confirmation that these securities have been pledged in repayment of the time deposit. The securities pledged as collateral must have a current market value greater than the dollar amount of the deposit in keeping with the ratio requirements specified in Code Section 53652. Additionally, a statement of the collateral shall be provided monthly. A collateral waiver for the portion insured by the FDIC will be granted.
- 4. The County TTC must be given a current audited financial statement for the financial year just ended as well as the most recent quarterly statement of financial condition. The financial reports must both include a statement of financial condition as well as an income statement depicting current and prior year operations.
- 5. The County TTC will not place a public fund deposit for more than 10% of the present paidin capital and surplus of the bank.
- 6. The County TTC must receive a certificate of deposit which specifically expresses the terms governing the transaction, deposit amount, issue date, maturity date, name of depositor, interest rate, interest payment terms (monthly, quarterly, etc).
- 7. All time certificates must have a maturity date not exceeding one year from the date of the deposit, with interest payments based upon the stated interest rate.
- 8. The County TTC must receive a letter from an officer of the bank at the time the initial deposit is made, that there is no known pending financial disclosure or public announcement of an adverse financial event involving the bank or savings and loan, nor is there any knowledge that a conflict-of-interest situation exists between any County official and an officer or employee of the bank.

37. SCHEDULE VI POLICY CRITERIA FOR ENTERING INTO A MONEY MARKETFUND

Shares of beneficial interest issued by diversified management companies, also known as money market mutual funds, invest in the securities and obligations authorized by GOV § 53601.7(10). Approved mutual funds will be registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. Sec. 80a-1 et. seq.) and shall meet the following criteria:

- 1. The fund must have a AAA rating from two of the nationally recognized rating services: Moody's, Fitch, Standard & Poor's.
- 2. The fund's prospectus cannot allow hedging strategies, options or futures.
- 3. The fund must provide a current prospectus before participation in the fund and provide access to copies of their portfolio reports.

#### GLOSSARY

AGENCY ISSUES - Securities issued by federal agencies, those chartered by the federal government or Government Sponsored Enterprises that are considered to be backed by the federal government. See also Government Sponsored Enterprises.

ASSET-BACKED SECURITY (ABS) - A financial security backed by a loan, lease, or receivables against assets other than real estate and mortgage-backed securities.

COLLATERALIZATION - Process by which a borrower pledges securities, property or other deposits for the purpose of securing the repayment of a loan and/or security.

COLLATERALIZED CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT - An instrument representing a receipt from a bank for a deposit at a specified rate of interest for a specified period of time that is collateralized by the bank with securities at a minimum of 110% of the deposit amount.

COMMERCIAL PAPER - Money Market instrument representing an unsecured short-term promissory note of a corporation at a specified rate of return for a specified period of time.

COUPON - The stated interest rate on a debt security that an issuer promises to pay.

CREDIT QUALITY - An indication of risk that an issuer of a security will fulfill its obligation, as rated by a rating agency.

CREDIT RATING - A standardized assessment, expressed in alphanumeric characters, of a company's creditworthiness.

CREDIT RISK - The risk to an investor that an issuer will default in the payment of interest and/or principal on a security.

DIVERSIFICATION - The practice or concept of investing in a range of securities by sector, maturity, asset class or credit quality in order to reduce and spread financial risk.

DOLLAR WEIGHTED AVERAGE MATURITY - The sum of the amount of each security investment multiplied by the number of days to maturity, divided by the total amount of security investments.

DURATION - Is a measure of the price volatility of a portfolio and reflects an estimate of the projected increase or decrease in the value of that portfolio based upon a decrease or increase in the interest rates. A duration of 1.0 means that for every one percent

increase in interest rates, the market value of the Portfolio would decrease by 1.0 percent.

EARNINGS APPORTIONMENT - Is the quarterly interest distribution to the Pool Participants where the actual investment costs incurred by the Treasurer are deducted from the interest earnings of the Pool.

GOVERNMENT OBLIGATIONS - Securities issued by the U.S. Treasury and Federal Agencies. U.S. Treasuries are direct obligations of the Federal Government. Agencies are not direct obligations of the Federal Government but involve Federal sponsorship or guarantees.

GOVERNMENT SPONSORED ENTERPRISES (GSE'S) - Private, shareholder-owned companies with a relationship with government agencies. These agencies generally are viewed to have an implied guarantee of the U.S. government. These include: Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA) Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) Federal Farm Credit Bank (FFCB) Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (FHLMC) LIQUID - A security that is easily bought and sold because of the willingness of interested buyers and sellers to trade large quantities at a reasonable price.

LOCAL AGENCY OBLIGATION - An indebtedness issued by a local agency, department, board, or authority within the State of California.

LONG-TERM - The term used to describe a security when the maturity is greater than one year.

MARKET VALUE - An estimate of the value of a security at which the principal would be sold from a willing seller to a willing buyer at the date of pricing.

MEDIUM TERM NOTES - These are Corporate Notes and Bank Notes that are debt obligations of banks, corporations, and insurance companies. They are issued at a specific rate of return for a specific period of time.

MONEY MARKET MUTUAL FUND - A mutual fund with investments directed in short-term money market instruments only, which can be withdrawn daily without penalty.

NEGOTIABLE CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT - A Money Market instrument representing a receipt from a bank for a deposit at a specified rate of interest for a specified period of time that is traded in secondary markets.

PAR - The stated maturity value, or face value, of a security.

POOL - In this context, the pooled monies of different government agencies administered by the County Treasurer. Each pool member owns a fractional interest in the securities held in the Pool.

PORTFOLIO VALUE - The total book value amount of all the securities held in the Treasurer's Pooled Money Fund.

PRIMARY DEALER - A group of dealers and banks that can buy and sell securities directly with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

REPURCHASE AGREEMENT - A repurchase agreement consists of two simultaneous transactions. One is the purchase of securities by an investor (i.e., the County), the other is the commitment by the seller (i.e. a broker/dealer) to repurchase the securities at the same price, plus interest, at some mutually agreed future date.

REVERSE REPURCHASE AGREEMENT - The mirror image of Repurchase Agreements. In this instance the County Pool is the seller of securities to an investor (i.e. brokers).

SAFEKEEPING - A custodian bank's action to store and protect an investor's securities by segregating and identifying the securities.

SECURITIES LENDING - A transaction wherein the Treasurer's Pool transfers its securities to broker/dealers and other entities for collateral which may be cash or securities and simultaneously agrees to return the collateral for the same securities in the future.

SHORT-TERM - The term used to describe a security when the maturity is one year or less.

VOLUNTARY PARTICIPANTS - Local agencies that are not required to deposit their funds with the County Treasurer.

WHEN-ISSUED SECURITIES - A security traded before it receives final trading authorization with the investor receiving the certificate/security only after the final approval is granted. YIELD - The gain, expressed as a percentage that an investor derives from a financial asset.

YIELD TO MATURITY - The percentage rate of return paid if the security is held to its maturity date. The calculation is based on the coupon rate, length of time to maturity, and market price. It assumes that coupon interest paid over the life of the security is reinvested at the same rate.

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