TO: Monterey County Legislative Committee

FROM: Ashley S. Walker, Senior Policy Advisor

DATE: June 10, 2024

RE: Strategic Grant Services Program: Grants Update

Summary of Recent Program Efforts:

- a. San Lucas Drinking Water Project: Nossaman has been in discussion with the County's entire Legislative Delegation about a funding solution for this project. There are challenges, as a funding request through the "Member request" process in the State Budget is not likely a viable option this year given the deficit the State is facing. Additionally, we have been advocating for a climate bond to include programs that would provide potential grant funding opportunities for this project. We continue to maintain communication with the State Board about the long-term project and funding solution. We also continue to review grant funding opportunities to help finance the project.
- b. Dam Safety and Climate Resilience Local Assistance Program: DWR recently reopened the public comment period, signaling that they may be opening the solicitation for project soon. The public comment period is now closed. When the competitive solicitation is officially open, Nossaman will assist the County in applying for these funds.
- c. Grant Track: See attached.