

# Attachment A

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**State of California  
The Natural Resources Agency – GRANT AGREEMENT**

**GRANTEE NAME:** County of Monterey  
**PROJECT TITLE:** Collaborative Efforts to Assess SLR Impacts and Evaluate Policy Options for the Monterey Bay Coast  
**AUTHORITY:** The Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 – Proposition 84  
**PROGRAM:** Ocean Protection Council  
**AGREEMENT NUMBER:** C0300700

**PROJECT COMPLETION DATE IS: June 30, 2016**

**PROJECT TERMINATION DATE IS: September 30, 2016** (Subject to the reappropriation of California Ocean Protection Trust Fund Item 0540-101-6076 Budget Act of 2008 (Chs. 268 and 269, Stats. 2008). Extension of said appropriation will constitute an automatic extension of the Project Termination Date of this project to September 30, 2016).

Under the terms and conditions of this agreement, the applicant agrees to complete the project as described in the project scope described in Exhibit A, and any subsequent amendments, and the State of California, acting through the Natural Resources Agency pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Act of 2006, agrees to fund the project up to the total state grant amount indicated.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** See project description on page 1 and Exhibit A of the Agreement

Total State Grant not to exceed **\$ 150,000** (or project costs, whichever is less)

The Special and General Provisions attached are made a part of and incorporated into the Agreement.

<b>County of Monterey</b>	<b>STATE OF CALIFORNIA THE NATURAL RESOURCES AGENCY</b>
By <u></u> for Benny J. Young	By <u></u> Catherine Kuhlman
Title <u>Resource Management Agency Director</u>	Title <u>Deputy Secretary for Ocean and Coastal Policy</u>
Date <u>9/11/2014</u>	Date <u>9/15/14</u>

**CERTIFICATION OF FUNDING**

AMOUNT OF ESTIMATE FUNDING	AGREEMENT NUMBER	FUND			
<b>\$150,000</b>	<b>C0300700</b>	<b>6076 – Ocean Protection Local Assistance (Prop 84)</b>			
ADJ. INCREASING ENCUMBRANCE	APPROPRIATION				
\$	0540-301-6076				
ADJ. DECREASING ENCUMBRANCE	FUNCTION				
\$	<b>Local Assistance</b>				
UNENCUMBERED BALANCE	LINE ITEM ALLOTMENT	CHAPTER	STATUTE	FISCAL YEAR	
<b>\$150,000</b>	<b>\$150,000</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>08/09</b>	
T.B.A. NO.	B.R. NO.	INDEX	OBJ. EXPEND	PCA	PROJECT NUMBER
		<b>0540</b>	<b>751</b>	<b>23030</b>	<b>C03007</b>

I hereby certify upon my personal knowledge that budgeted funds are available for this encumbrance

  
SIGNATURE OF ACCOUNTING OFFICER

9/29/14  
DATE

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**Program:** California Ocean Protection Council

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

**Project Scope**

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For the entire Monterey Bay coastline, the project will result in an inventory of river levees and water control structures, temporal flood hazard maps, a regional assessment of protection structures likely to fail under different SLR scenarios, and a report on prioritized protection and upgrades to vulnerable infrastructure. For the Capitola and Moss Landing communities, the project will evaluate the combined impacts of SLR and changes in fluvial processes on municipal infrastructure, disadvantaged populations, and tax parcels. The project will also apply relevant state policies and evaluate adaptation responses for Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties, including how to integrate adaptation response alternatives ranging from "grey to green" into municipal planning documents. The project will support regional discussions on how to implement appropriate adaptation strategies through Local Coastal Program and other planning documents.

A Scope of Work, Project Schedule and Project Budget ("Work Program") are described in Exhibit A and attached to this Grant Agreement and incorporated by reference. Grantee will fully perform all work necessary to complete the Project as identified in the Work Program. A Work Plan describing the project at a more detailed scale may be developed by the Grantee and Project Manager as necessary to ensure proper completion of grant deliverables.

**Project Budget Details**

The Grantee is permitted to adjust any of the ranges in the Project Budget, other than administrative and indirect costs, upwards or downwards for a total of 10% of the amount of the Grant, so long as the sum of the whole Project Budget does not exceed the approved amount of funding for the Work Program. Grantee will provide notice of any such adjustment to the State explaining how it plans to account for and manage the adjustment. However, if Grantee seeks to adjust the allocations within the Budget ranges upwards or downwards more than 10%, create or

amend the ranges, or to delete ranges entirely, a request must be submitted in writing to the Project Manager. The Project Manager, along with the Project Manager's supervisor, will consider whether to approve the Grantee's request for new allocations and ranges. Upon approval of such a request by the Council staff, the new Budget ranges and allocations will become self-executing and will automatically be part of the Agreement and binding on Grantee, and incorporated into the Project Budget in Exhibit A.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF GRANT

### Special Provisions

1. Recipients of Grant Funds shall include acknowledgement of grant funding in all materials produced with grant funds. The California Natural Resources Agency and California Ocean Protection Council (OPC or State) shall have the right to republish any material generated by this grant.

### General Provisions

#### A. Definitions

1. The term "Act" means Proposition 84, the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006.
2. The term "Agreement" means this Grant Agreement.
3. The term "Application" means the individual application form, its required attachments for grants pursuant to enabling legislation and/or program and any applicable materials supplied to by the application to the Ocean Protection Council or California Natural Resources Agency prior to award.
4. The term "Authorization" means the Ocean Protection Council adopted resolution included in the staff recommendation attached as Exhibit B. This agreement is executed under that authorization.
5. The term "Benchmark" means specific tasks or project deliverables identified in the project Work Plan as approved by the state.
6. The term "Completion Date" means the date by which all activity for the project must be concluded. Work performed after this date cannot be reimbursed.
7. The term "Executive Director" means the Executive Director of the Ocean Protection Council, who is also the Deputy Secretary for Ocean and Coastal Policy.
8. The term "Grant" or "Grant Funds" means the money provided by the State to the Grantee in this Agreement.
9. The term "Grantee" means an applicant who has a signed agreement for Grant Funds.
10. The term "Nonprofit Organization" means any nonprofit corporation qualified to do business in California, and qualified under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

11. The term "Other Sources of Funds" means cash or in-kind contributions that are required or used to complete the project beyond the Grant Funds provided by this Agreement.
12. The term "Project" means the activity described in the Work Program to be accomplished with Grant Funds.
13. The term "Project Budget" means the State approved cost estimate submitted to the Executive Director of the Ocean Protection Council ("Executive Director") as part of the Work Program. The Project Budget shall describe all labor and materials costs of completing each component of the Project. The Project Budget may contain either itemized amounts, or ranges permissible for each item or task described in Project Scope and Work Plan. The Project Budget must include the set administrative and indirect costs agreed upon by the Parties if applicable. For each project component, the Project Budget shall list all intended funding sources including the State's grant and all other sources of monies, materials or labor.
14. The term "Project Manager" means the representative of the State given authorization by the Ocean Protection Council Executive Director to administer and provide oversight of the Grant.
15. The term "Public Agency" means any State of California department or agency, a county, city, public district or public agency formed under California law.
16. The term "Request for Disbursement Form" means the form that will be submitted requesting payment.
17. The term "State" means the Secretary for Natural Resources, the Ocean Protection Council or their representatives, or other political subdivision of the State.
18. The term "Termination Date" means the date by which all invoices and other reporting requirements must be complete.
19. The term "Work Plan" means the description of tasks and related work to be accomplished by the Project.
20. The term "Work Program" means the State approved Work Plan, Project Schedule and Project Budget, as described in Exhibit A.

B. Project Execution

1. Pursuant to the Ocean Protection Council Grant Funding Procedures, the Grantee shall comply with all applicable project execution procedures.
2. Subject to the availability of funds, the State hereby grants to the Grantee the sum \$150,000 (Grant Funds) not to exceed the amount stated on the signature page in consideration of and on condition that the sum be expended in carrying out the purposes as set forth in the description of Project in this Agreement and its attachments and under the Terms and Conditions set forth in this Agreement.
3. Grantee shall furnish any and all additional funds that may be necessary to complete the Project.
4. Grantee shall complete the Project before the Completion Date as set forth on the signature page, unless an extension has been granted by the State and under the Terms and

Conditions of this Agreement. Grantee shall complete invoicing and reporting requirements by the Termination Date as set forth on the signature page, unless an extension has been granted by the State and under the Terms and Conditions of this Agreement. Extensions may be requested in advance and will be considered by State, at its sole discretion, in the event of circumstances beyond the control of the Grantee.

5. Grantee certifies that the Work Program does and will continue to comply with all current laws and regulations which apply to the Project, including, but not limited to, environmental laws, including, but not limited to, California Environmental Quality Act, health and safety codes, and disabled access laws.
6. Prior to the commencement of any work, Grantee agrees to submit in writing to the State for prior approval any deviation from the original Work Program per Exhibit A and/or the Application. Changes in the Work Program must continue to meet the need cited in Exhibit B or they will not be approved. Any modification or alteration in the Work Program on file with the State must be submitted to the State for approval.
7. Grantee shall provide status reports of the work at the request of the State.

C. Project Costs

1. Any Grant Funds provided to Grantee under this Agreement will be disbursed for eligible costs as outlined in Appendix B to the OPC Grant Funding Procedures , on a reimbursement basis, as follows, but shall not exceed in any event the amount set forth on the signature page of this Agreement:
  - a. Up to Ten percent (10%) of the reimbursement amount will be held back and issued as a final payment upon completion of the Project and receipt by the State of a detailed summary of Project costs from the Grantee found to be satisfactory by the State and a copy of the final products generated with Grant Funds.

If all or any part of the project to be funded under this agreement will be performed by third parties under contract with the grantee, then the Grantee should seek the approval of the Executive Director or his/her designee on the selection of the third party. The Grantee shall then comply with the above paragraph regarding submission and approval of a work program prior to project commencement.

2. Payment Documentation:

- a. All payment requests must be submitted using a completed Request for Disbursement Form. The grantee shall include in the form its name and address, the number of this agreement, the date of the submission, the amount of the invoice, the period during which the work was actually done, and an itemized description, including time, materials, and expenses incurred, of all work done for which disbursement is requested. The expenses shall be organized by task number from the work plan. The form shall also indicate, per task number from the Work Plan, cumulative expenditures to date, expenditures during the reporting period, and the unexpended balance of funds under the grant agreement. An authorized representative of the Grantee shall sign the form.
- b. In connection with submission of each form, the Grantee shall also submit, unless the Executive Director makes a specific exemption, the following:

1. An itemized ledger, in a form approved by an authorized representative, detailing all direct expenditures incurred by the grantee and any subgrantee.
  2. Receipts, travel expense vouchers and claim forms for travel expenses incurred by the Grantee and any subgrantee. The State will reimburse the Grantee for expenses necessary to the project when documented by appropriate receipts. The State will reimburse travel and related expenses at actual costs not to exceed the rates provided in Title 2, Division 1, Chapter 3, Subchapter 1, Article 2 of the California Code of Regulations ("CCR"), except that reimbursement may be in excess of these rates upon documentation that these rates are not reasonably available to the Grantee. Reimbursement for the cost of operating a private vehicle shall not, under any circumstance, exceed the current rate specified by the State of California for unrepresented state employees as of the date the cost is incurred. The State will reimburse the Grantee for other necessary expenses if those expenses are reasonable in nature and amount taking into account the nature of the project, its location, and other relevant factors.
  3. Receipts or any other source documents for direct expenditures for any purchase of equipment or materials by the Grantee and any subgrantee.
  4. A supporting progress report from the grantee summarizing the work that was completed during the invoice period and the current status of the work for which disbursement is sought, including work by any subgrantee, and comparing it to the status required by the Work Program (budget, timeline, tasks, etc.).
- c. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Executive Director may request and the Grantee shall provide receipts or other source documents for any other direct expenditure or cost as described in the ledger, as and when necessary to resolve any substantial issue concerning reimbursement.
  - d. The Grantee's failure to fully execute and submit a Request for Disbursement form, including attachment of supporting documents, may relieve the State of its obligation to disburse funds to the Grantee unless and until the Grantee corrects all deficiencies.
  - e. Any payment request that is submitted without the required itemization and documentation will not be authorized. If the payment request package is incomplete, inadequate or inaccurate, the State will inform the Grantee and hold the payment request until all required information is received or corrected. Grantee shall submit a payment request no more frequently than monthly but no less frequently than quarterly (assuming activity occurred within that quarter). Any penalties imposed on the Grantee by a contractor, or other consequence, because of delays in payment will be paid by the Grantee and is not reimbursable under this Agreement.
4. Grant Funds in this award have a limited period in which they must be expended. Grantee expenditures funded by the State must occur before the Completion Date as indicated on the signature page of this Agreement.
  5. Except as otherwise provided herein, the Grantee shall expend Grant Funds in the manner described in the Work Program approved by the State. Expenditure on items contained in the approved Project Budget may vary by as much as ten percent without prior approval by the State, provided the grantee submits a revised Project Budget prior to requesting disbursement based on the revised budget. In any event, the total amount of the Grant Funds may not be increased, except by written amendment to this agreement.



D. Project Administration

1. Grantee shall promptly provide Project reports with payment requests and upon request by the State. In any event Grantee shall provide the State a report showing total final Project expenditures with the final Request for Disbursement and required closing documents.
2. Grantee shall submit all documentation for Project completion, as applicable, and final reimbursement by the Termination Date.
3. Final payment is contingent upon State verification that Project is consistent with Project Work Program as described in Exhibit A, together with any State approved amendments.
4. This Agreement may be amended by mutual agreement in writing between Grantee and State. Any request by the Grantee for amendments must state the amendment request and reason for the request. The Grantee shall make requests in a timely manner and in no event less than sixty (60) days before the effective date of the proposed amendment.
5. Grantee must report to the State in the Project Budget all sources of other funds for the Project.

E. Project Termination

1. Prior to the completion of the Project, either party may terminate this Agreement by providing the other party with thirty (30) days' written notice of such termination. The State may also terminate this Grant for any reason at any time if it learns of or otherwise discovers that there is a violation of any state or federal law or policy by Grantee which effects performance of this or any other grant agreement or contract entered into with the State.
2. If the State terminates without cause the Agreement prior to the end of the Completion Date, the Grantee shall take all reasonable measures to prevent further costs to the State under this Agreement. The State shall be responsible for any reasonable and non-cancelable obligations incurred by the Grantee in the performance of the Agreement prior to the date of the notice to terminate, but only up to the undisbursed balance of funding authorized in this Agreement.
3. If the Grantee fails to complete the Project in accordance with this Agreement, or fails to fulfill any other obligations of this Agreement prior to the Termination Date, the Grantee shall be liable for immediate repayment to the State of all amounts disbursed by the State under this Agreement, plus accrued interest and any further costs related to the Project. The State may, at its sole discretion, consider extenuating circumstances and not require repayment for work partially completed provided that the State determines it is in the State's best interest to do so. This paragraph shall not be deemed to limit any other remedies available to the State for breach of this Agreement.
4. Failure by the Grantee to comply with the terms of this Agreement or any other Agreement may be cause for suspension of all obligations of the State hereunder.
5. Failure of the Grantee to comply with the terms of this Agreement shall not be cause for suspending all obligations of the State hereunder if, in the judgment of the State, such failure was due to no fault of the Grantee. At the discretion of the State, any amount required to settle at minimum cost any irrevocable obligations properly incurred shall be eligible for reimbursement under this Agreement.
6. Because the benefit to be derived by the State, from the full compliance by the Grantee with the terms of this Agreement, exceeds to an immeasurable and unascertainable extent

the amount of money furnished by the State by way of Grant Funds under the provisions of this Agreement, the Grantee agrees that payment by the Grantee to the State of an amount equal to the amount of the Grant Funds disbursed under this Agreement by the State would be inadequate compensation to the State for any breach by the Grantee of this Agreement. The Grantee further agrees therefore, that the appropriate remedy in the event of a breach by the Grantee of this Agreement shall be the specific performance of this Agreement, unless otherwise agreed to by the State.

F. Hold Harmless

1. Grantee shall waive all claims and recourses against the State, including the right to contribution for loss or damage to persons or property arising from, growing out of or in any way connected with or incident to this Agreement, except claims arising from the gross negligence of State, its officers, agents and employees.
2. Grantee shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend State, its officers, agents and employees in perpetuity against any and all claims, demands, damages, costs, expenses or liability costs arising out of the Project under Government Code Section 895.2 or otherwise, including but not limited to items to which the Grantee has certified, except for liability arising out of the gross negligence of State, its officers, agents or employees. Grantee acknowledges that it is solely responsible for compliance with items to which it has certified.
3. Grantee and State agree that in the event of judgment entered against the State and Grantee because of the gross negligence of the State and Grantee, their officers, agents or employees, an apportionment of liability to pay such judgment shall be made by a court of competent jurisdiction. Neither party shall request a jury apportionment.

G. Audit Requirements and Financial Records

1. Ocean Protection Council projects are subject to audit by the State annually and for three (3) years following the payment of Grant Funds. Grantee shall maintain satisfactory financial accounts, documents and records consistent with the policies outlined in the OPC Grant Funding Procedures for the Project and to make them available to the State for auditing at reasonable times. Grantee shall also retain such financial accounts, documents and records for three (3) years after final payment and one (1) year following an audit on site. OPC shall maintain all grant records for 35 years at the State Records Center and in perpetuity if funds are granted for acquisition of real property, in accordance with all applicable protocols as updated and required by the State Treasurer's Office.
2. Grantee agrees that during regular office hours, the State and its duly authorized representatives shall have the right to inspect and make copies of any books, records or reports of the Grantee pertaining to this Agreement or matters related thereto. Grantee shall maintain and make available for inspection by the State accurate records of all of its costs, disbursements and receipts with respect to its activities under this Agreement.
3. Grantee shall use applicable generally accepted accounting principles, unless otherwise agreed to by the State.
4. If Grantee stated in the Application for funding and/or Work Plan that other sources of funding will be used to complete the Project, the Grantee shall establish internal systems to track expenditures of matching or in-kind funds on a regular basis and will make the documentation available to the State upon request.

H. Work Products

1. The Grantee agrees that all data, plans, drawings, specifications, surveys, studies, and other written or graphic work produced in the performance of this Agreement, herein referred to as "materials" are subject to the rights of the State as set forth in this section. The State shall have the right to reproduce, publish, and use all such work, or any part thereof, in any manner and for any purposes whatsoever and to authorize others to do so.
  2. Grantee agrees that the grantee shall use the materials developed with grant funds under this agreement only for the purpose for which the grant funds were requested and no other use of the materials shall be permitted except by written permission.
  3. Grantee must certify the materials developed with grant funds under this agreement shall remain available for public review. This Agreement shall not prevent the transfer of the materials from the Grantee to a Public Agency, if the successor Public Agency assumes the obligations imposed by this Agreement.
  4. If the use of the materials is changed to a use that is not permitted by the Agreement, or if the materials are sold or otherwise disposed of, at the State's sole discretion, an amount equal to (1) the amount of the Grant, or (2) the proceeds from the sale or other disposition, whichever is greater, may be reimbursed to the State.
- I. Nondiscrimination
1. The Grantee shall not discriminate against any person on the basis of sex, race, color, ancestry, religious creed, national origin, physical disability (including HIV and AIDS), mental disability, medical condition (cancer), age (over 40), marital status, and denial of family care leave in the use of any property or facility acquired or developed pursuant to this Agreement.
  2. The Grantee shall not discriminate against any person on the basis of residence except to the extent that reasonable difference in admission or other fees may be maintained on the basis of residence and pursuant to law.
  3. The completed products shall be available to members of the public generally.
- J. Grant Funding Procedures and Funding Request Incorporation
- With the exception of adjustments as discussed above, the Grant Funding Procedures and any subsequent changes or additions to the Work Plan approved in by the State are hereby incorporated by reference in to this Agreement as though set forth in full in this Agreement.
- K. Severability
- If any provision of this Agreement or the application thereof is held invalid, that invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Agreement which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Agreement are severable.
- L. Waiver
- No term or provision hereof will be considered waived by either party, and no breach excused by either party, unless such waiver or consent is in writing and signed on behalf of the party against whom the waiver is asserted. No consent by either party to, or waiver of, a breach by either party, whether expressed or implied, will constitute consent to, waiver of or excuse of any other, different or subsequent breach by either party.

M. Assignment

Except as expressly provided otherwise, this Agreement is not assignable by the Grantee either in whole, or in part.

N. Disputes

If the Grantee believes that there is a dispute or grievance between Grantee and the State arising out of or relating to this Agreement, the Grantee shall first discuss and attempt to resolve the issue informally with the Project Manager. If the issue cannot be resolved at this level, the Grantee shall follow the following procedures:

1. If the issue cannot be resolved informally with the Project Manager, the Grantee shall submit, in writing, a grievance report together with any evidence to the Deputy Director of the OPC. The grievance report must state the issues in the dispute, the legal authority, or other basis for the Grantee's position and the remedy sought. Within ten (10) working days of receipt of the written grievance report from the Grantee, the Deputy Director shall make a determination on the issue(s) and shall respond in writing to the Grantee indicating the decision and reasons therefore. Should the Grantee disagree with the Deputy Director's decision, the Grantee may appeal to the Executive Director of the OPC who is also the Deputy Secretary for Ocean and Coastal Policy.
2. The Grantee must submit a letter of appeal to the Executive Director explaining why the Deputy Director's decision is unacceptable. The letter must include, as an attachment, copies of the Grantee's original grievance report, evidence originally submitted, and the response from the Deputy Director. The Grantee's letter of appeal must be submitted within ten (10) working days of the receipt of the Deputy Director's written decision. The Executive Director shall, within twenty (20) working days of receipt of Grantee's letter of appeal, review the issues raised and shall render a written decision to the Grantee. The decision of the Executive Director shall be final.

O. Executive Director's Designee

The Executive Director shall designate an Ocean Protection Council Project Manager who shall have authority to act on behalf of the Executive Director with respect to this agreement. The Executive Director shall notify the Grantee of the designation in writing.

P. Insurance

Throughout the term of this agreement, for the life of any asset funded by the grant monies awarded pursuant to this agreement, or for any period of project implementation after the termination date of this agreement, the Grantee shall maintain self-insurance, as specified in this section, against claims for injuries to persons or damage to property that may arise from or in connection with any activities by the Grantee or its agents, representatives, employees, volunteers, or contractors associated with the project undertaken pursuant to this Agreement.

If the Grantee provides funds to any contractor to accomplish any of the work of this Agreement or provides funds to any subgrantee to carry out a project under this Agreement, the Grantee shall first enter into an agreement with each subgrantee or contractor requiring it to provide and maintain liability and property-damage insurance, as specified in this section, against claims for injuries to persons or damage to property that may arise from or in connection with any activities by the subgrantee or contractor, or its agents, representatives, employees, or volunteers, associated with the project undertaken pursuant to this Agreement. As an alternative, with the written approval of the Executive Director, the subgrantee or contractor may satisfy the coverage required by this section in whole or in part through: (a) its participation in a "risk management" plan, self-insurance program or insurance pooling arrangement, or any combination of these, if

consistent with the coverage required by this section. Required insurance shall be maintained from the commencement date through the completion date of the work undertaken by the subgrantee or contractor under the approved Work Program.

1. Minimum Scope of Insurance. Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

- a. Insurance Services Office ("ISO") Commercial General Liability coverage (occurrence Form CG 0001) or ISO Comprehensive General Liability form (1973) or comparable with Broad Form Comprehensive General Liability endorsement.
- b. Automobile Liability coverage - ISO Form Number CA 0001, Code 1 (any auto).
- c. Workers' Compensation insurance as required by the Labor Code of the State of California.

2. Minimum Limits of Insurance. Grantee shall maintain coverage limits no less than:

- a. General Liability: (Including operations, products and completed operations, as applicable) \$1,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage. If Commercial General Liability Insurance or other form with a general aggregate limit is used, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to the activities under this agreement or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
- b. Automobile Liability: \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.

3. Use of Watercraft. If the subgrantee or contractor is to engage in project work involving the use of watercraft, it shall provide and maintain insurance covering injury to person or property in connection with the use of watercraft, which may include, as appropriate, an endorsement to a Commercial General Liability policy covering non-owned watercraft liability or Protection and Indemnity Insurance or Jones Act coverage. Coverage shall be in a reasonable amount in light of the nature of the activity and shall be documented and approved by the Executive Director.

4. Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions. Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the Executive Director.

5. Required Provisions. Each insurance policy required by this section shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be canceled by either party, except after thirty days' prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, has been given to the Ocean Protection Council. The general liability and automobile liability policies are to contain, or to be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

- a. The State of California, its officers, agents and employees are to be covered as insured with respect to liability arising out of automobiles owned, leased, hired or borrowed by or on behalf of the Grantee; and with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Grantee including materials, parts or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations.
- b. For any claims related to this agreement, the Grantee's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance with respect to the State of California, its officers, agents and employees.
- c. Coverage shall not extend to any indemnity coverage for the active negligence of the additional insured in any case where an agreement to indemnify the additional insured would be invalid under Subdivision (b) of Section 2782 of the Civil Code.

6. Acceptability of Insurers. Insurance shall be placed with insurers admitted to transact business in the State of California and having a current Best's rating of "B+:VII" or better or, in the alternative, acceptable to the Ocean Protection Council and approved in writing by the Executive Director.
7. Verification of Coverage. The Grantee shall furnish the Executive Director with original certificates and amendatory endorsements effecting coverage required by this clause. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the Executive Director before work commences. The Ocean Protection Council reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements affecting the coverage, at any time.
8. Premiums and Assessments. The Ocean Protection Council is not responsible for premiums and assessments on any insurance policy.
9. Indemnity. The grantee shall agree to indemnify and hold harmless the state of California, acting by and through the Ocean Protection Council, and any employee or agent thereof harmless from any liability, loss or damage that may be suffered as a result of claims, demands, costs or judgments against them arising out of the activities to be carried out pursuant to the obligations of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, the use by Grantee of results obtained from the activities performed under this agreement; provided, however, that any such liability, loss or damage resulting from this agreement was not caused by the gross negligence or malfeasance of the OPC, its employees or agents.

***Work Program for OPC Grant for Collaborative Efforts to Assess SLR Impacts and Evaluate Policy Options for the Monterey Bay Coast***

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**Description of Tasks and Deliverables**

**Task 1. *Project Administration (Ongoing)*:** Monterey County will oversee the completion of this project and participate in the completion of the products listed below. Moss Landing Marine Labs (and fiscal agent Coastal Conservation and Research) will work with Monterey County to manage sub-contracts, complete tasks on time, and complete periodic progress reports.

*Deliverables:* Progress reports and subcontracts

**Task 2. *Sea –Level Rise Modeling, Mapping, and Science (Year 1)*:**

Improve results of the Coastal Conservancy funded Monterey Bay Sea Level Rise Study by including fluvial interactions to define coastal areas vulnerable to sea level rise and changed rainfall patterns (for 2030, 2050, 2100). This task is necessary to define adaptive capacity of existing infrastructure and risks to new development.

**Task 2a – Capitola and Moss Landing specific** - Use the fluvial methodology developed for The Nature Conservancy Coastal Resilience Ventura project, using existing FEMA Hec-RAS models applied to Soquel Creek and Old Salinas River, to evaluate climate change impacts on fluvial flood extents within the Capitola and Moss Landing areas. The resulting flood extent maps will provide both counties and the City of Capitola with site specific temporal flood risk maps that properly reflect the combine impacts of higher sea levels, changes in precipitation patterns, and the resulting changes in storm driven river flows to generate temporal flooding risks maps. These community specific temporal risk maps will be used to evaluate risks to public works infrastructure, private property and transportation corridors and facilitate municipal adaptation planning and building guideline changes.

**Task 2b – Entire region** - Improve upon the results of the Monterey Bay Sea Level Rise Study (funded by the State Coastal Conservancy) by incorporating the results from Task 3a and 3d to generate temporal flood hazard maps for the entire Monterey Bay coastline. These maps will represent areas in more detail that are hydraulically connected to ocean waters for various planning horizons.

**Task 2c.** - Evaluate the utility of various SLR models in making land use decisions, river flooding results will be compared with the Monterey Bay SLR Study, FEMA flood studies, and NOAA SLR Viewer for various planning horizons (2030, 2050, 2100).

*Deliverables:* Maps and report of climate change impacts on fluvial flood extents for Salinas River and Soquel Creek river mouths, and Temporal flood hazard maps for the entire Monterey Bay for various time horizons.

**Task 3. Assessment of Vulnerability to Sea-Level Rise (Year 1 and Year 2):**

**Task 3a - Entire region** - ground truth and expanded upon the work previously done by the Coastal Commission, ESA/PWA, MLML and CSUMB that catalogued existing coastal protection structures. Inventory (i.e. location, type, size, elevation etc.) river levees and water control structures (e.g. storm drains, culverts, lift stations and tide gates, etc.) for the entire Monterey Bay coastline. This task will use techniques similar to those employed for the Humboldt Bay vulnerability assessment.

**Task 3b – Entire region-** Overlay the temporal flood hazard maps (Task 2.b) with the inventory of control structures (task 3a) and available habitat, public access and land uses maps, to identify potentially vulnerable coastal resources and infrastructure subject to erosion, flooding and inundation within given time horizons.



**Task 3c – Entire region** - Evaluate the combined impacts of SLR and changes in fluvial processes (defined by Task 2a- temporal risk maps for Capitola and Moss Landing) on municipal infrastructure, disadvantaged populations, and tax parcels.

**Task 3d – Report compiling results of local and regional analysis** - Summarize the regional assessment of coastal protection structures (task 3.a) likely to fail under different SLR scenarios using regional hazard maps (task 2.b). Inundation that will undermine control structure functionality will be estimated and used to inform the adaptation analyses (task 4). Results will be used to further refine the vulnerable resources assessment (task 3.c) (i.e. tide gate failures that lead to impacts to wetland habitat). A Santa Cruz and Monterey Coastal Vulnerability Report will be produced that prioritize protection and upgrades to vulnerable infrastructure.

*Deliverables:* Shapefiles with FGDC compliant metadata, expanded coastal infrastructure database and Summary Report.

**Task 4. Evaluation of Adaptation Responses (Year 2):** Investigate alternative response options for the defined climate threats to coastal development and natural resources. Support the integration of adaptation response alternatives ranging from “grey to green” into municipal planning documents.

**Task 4.a - Regional-** Review state guidance including the draft CCC Sea Level Rise Adaptation guidance document, and coastal erosion mitigation study and identify applicable protection and adaptation strategies/policies (described at [www.centerforoceansolutions.org/montereybay/strategies/adaptation-action](http://www.centerforoceansolutions.org/montereybay/strategies/adaptation-action)). These strategies will focus on regional policy options and local building guidelines to address the risks and vulnerabilities defined in Task 3d Santa Cruz and Monterey Coastal Vulnerability Reports.

**Task 4b – Regional-** The Center for Ocean Solutions/ Natural Capital Project will use separate funding to employ the INVEST tool to evaluate ecosystem services and secondary economic valuation of protecting/restoring critical coastal habitats (sand dunes, coastal river mouths and estuaries). INVEST enables decision makers to assess tradeoffs associated with alternative management choices and to identify areas where investment in natural capital can enhance human development and conservation. INVEST models are based on production functions that define how an ecosystem's structure and function affect the flows and values of environmental services. The models account for both service supply (e.g. living habitats as buffers for storm waves)

and the location and activities of people who benefit from services (e.g. location of people and infrastructure potentially affected by coastal storms).

*Deliverables:* Report of applicable protection and adaptation strategies under defined circumstances.

***Task 5. Support updates to Local Coastal Program or other coastal plans:***

**Task 5a – Regional-** Host regional Monterey Bay Climate Change Adaptation Technical Advisory Committee meetings made up of members that participated in the 2010-2012 regional Climate planning processes (Counties, IRWMP members, Monterey Bay Sanctuary, Center for Ocean Solutions) and members of The Nature Conservancy - Coastal Resiliency Network project. Further, Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties will partner with MLML and the Nature Conservancy to lead a regional discussion on how to implement appropriate adaptation and protection strategies through LCP and other planning documents.

**Task 5b -** MLML will work with COS to maintain the regional climate preparedness website ([www.climatechangemontereybay.org](http://www.climatechangemontereybay.org)) to share data, vulnerability reports and policy documents with others.

*Deliverables:* Report of meeting outcomes and policy development next steps, maintained Climate Change website populated with Monterey Bay Coastal project products.

**Budget and Schedule Summary**

Task No.	Description	Budget	Completion Date
Task 1	Project Administration	3,000	
	Contract Administration	12,000	6/30/2016
Task 2	Sea –Level Rise Modeling, Mapping, and Science.		
a.	Evaluate climate change impacts on fluvial flood extents for 2 major watersheds	40,000	7/31/2015
b.	Define vulnerability zones and create coastal and fluvial hazard maps for flood zone planning and update existing FIRMs	13,000	12/15/2015
c.	Evaluate the utility of various SLR models	0	6/15/2016
Task 3	Assessment of Vulnerability to Sea - Level Rise		
a.	Catalogue river levees and water control structures (e.g. levees, culverts, tide gates, etc.) for the entire Monterey Bay	23,000	3/15/2015
b.	Overlay Monterey Bay SLR study results with infrastructure, habitats and land uses maps	13,000	3/15/2015
c.	Evaluate the combined impacts of SLR and watershed processes on two communities	21,000	9/15/2015
d.	Complete a regional assessment of future functionality of coastal protection structures (2 county coastal vulnerability reports)	10,000	3/15/2016
Task 4	Evaluation of Adaptation Responses.		
a.	Review state guidance (CCC LCP Policy Guidance Document) and identify applicable protection and adaptation strategies/policies for Santa cruz and Monterey Counties	15,000	3/15/2015
b.	Use INVEST tool to evaluate ecosystem services and secondary economic valuation of protecting/restoring critical coastal habitats	0	3/15/2016
Task 5	Updates to Local Coastal Programs and other Coastal Plans		
a.	Lead a regional discussion on appropriate strategies to incorporate adaptation strategies into LCP and Planning documents	0	6/30/2016
b.	Maintain the <a href="http://www.climatechangemontereybay.org">www.climatechangemontereybay.org</a> website as central location for disseminating regional climate change information	0	6/30/2016
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$150,000</b>	<b>6/30/2016</b>

**Budget Showing Matching Funds**

**Budget Details**

Task No.	Description	OPC Grant Funds	ESA PWA	MLML CCWG	County of Monterey	CCR	Matching Funds	Match source	Task Leads
Task 1	Project Administration	3,000			3,000				MC and MLML
	Contract Administration	12,000				12,000			CCR
Task 2	Sea -Level Rise Modeling, Mapping, and Science.								
a.	Evaluate climate change impacts on fluvial flood extents for 2 major watersheds	40,000	40,000				30,000	Ventura Study	ESA PWA
b.	Define vulnerability zones and create coastal and fluvial hazard maps for flood zone planning and update existing FIRMs	13,000	13,000				145,000	Coastal Conservancy MB SLR Study	ESA PWA
c.	Evaluate the utility of various SLR models	0	0				2,000		
Task 3	Assessment of Vulnerability to Sea - Level Rise								
a.	Catalogue river levees and water control structures (e.g. levees, culverts, bde gates, etc.) for the entire Monterey Bay	23,000		23,000					MLML
b.	Overlay Monterey Bay SLR study results with infrastructure, habitats and land uses maps	13,000		13,000			15,000	Municipal staff support	MLML/ Counties
c.	Evaluate the combined impacts of SLR and watershed processes on two communities	21,000	4,200	16,800			0		MLML/ ESA PWA
d.	Complete a regional assessment of future functionality of coastal protection structures (2 county coastal vulnerability reports)	10,000	5,000	5,000			10,000	Municipal staff support	MLML/ ESA PWA
Task 4	Evaluation of Adaptation Responses								
a.	Review state guidance (CCC LCP Policy Guidance Document) and identify applicable protection and adaptation strategies/policies for Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties	15,000		15,000			5,000	TAC member participation	MLML
b.	Use INVEST tool to evaluate ecosystem services and secondary economic valuation of protecting/restoring critical coastal habitats	0					20,000	Natural Capital Project	NCP
Task 5	Updates to Local Coastal Programs and other Coastal Plans								
a.	Lead a regional discussion on appropriate strategies to incorporate adaptation strategies into LCP and Planning documents	0					4,000	Staff Services	Monterey County
b.	Maintain the www.climatechangemontereybay.org website as central location for disseminating regional climate change information	0					3,000	Website maintenance	COS
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$150,000</b>	<b>\$62,200</b>	<b>\$72,800</b>	<b>\$3,000</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>	<b>\$234,000</b>		

**Notes on Match Source:**

- Task 2a ESA/PWA will use fluvial models developed by The Nature Conservancy for the Ventura river basin.
- Task 2b ESA/PWA will provide newly completed LiDAR interpretation maps that estimate the temporal threats of SLR and coastal bluff erosion associated with climate change.
- Task 3c&d Staff from Monterey and Santa Cruz counties and the City of Capitola will work with the science team to provide necessary GIS base maps, review draft vulnerability estimates and participate in regional meetings.
- Task 4a TAC members will provide guidance on infrastructure vulnerability interpretation and identify potential adaptation options to respond to those threats
- Task 4b The Stanford Natural Capital Project has received Packard grant funding to evaluate the natural resource threats and opportunities to use habitat restoration to reduce coastal impacts of SLR.
- Task 5a Monterey County Staff will support a regional discussion regarding adaptation strategies and mechanisms to include such strategies in LCP updates.
- Task 5b The Center for Ocean Solutions will maintain and update their website to host results of this project and support regional information exchange among municipalities.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Item 6

**TO:** Ocean Protection Council

**FROM:** Abe Doherty, Project Manager

**DATE:** November 21, 2013

**RE:** Project Selection for First Round of Local Coastal Program Sea-level Rise Grant Program

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1) November 29, 2012 OPC Staff Recommendation (Approval of Funding for the Grant Program)
- 2) March 27, 2013 OPC Staff Recommendation (Approval of Program Priorities and Selection Criteria and Application for the Grant Program)
- 3) Grant Program Announcement
- 4) Summary of Proposals Submitted for the First Round of the Grant Program

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approval of projects for the first round of the Local Coastal Program Sea-level Rise Grant Program.

**LOCATION:** Statewide

**STRATEGIC PLAN OBJECTIVE:** Climate Change

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**RESOLUTION AND FINDINGS:**

Staff recommends that the Ocean Protection Council adopt the following resolution pursuant to Sections 35500 *et seq.* of the Public Resources Code and the Local Coastal Program Sea-level Rise grant guidelines adopted by the Ocean Protection Council on March 27, 2013:

"The Ocean Protection Council hereby approves the projects recommended by staff from the Ocean Protection Council, State Coastal Conservancy and California Coastal Commission as being consistent with the previously adopted grant selection criteria for the Local Coastal Program Sea-level Rise Grant Program.

Staff further recommends that the Ocean Protection Council adopt the following findings:

"Based on the accompanying staff report and attached exhibits, the Ocean Protection Council hereby finds that:

1. The proposed projects are consistent with the purposes of Division 26.5 of the Public Resources Code, the Ocean Protection Act.
2. The proposed projects are consistent with the Ocean Protection Council's Grant Funding Procedures (Interim Standards and Protocols, August 2013)."

**BACKGROUND:**

In November of 2012, the Ocean Protection Council (OPC) approved \$2,500,000 for competitive grants to provide funds for local and regional vulnerability assessments and updates to Local Coastal Programs and other Coastal Act authorized plans to address sea-level rise, coastal hazards and other climate change-related impacts (Exhibit 1). This authorization was subject to the condition that the OPC approve the grant criteria prior to soliciting grant proposals. On March 27, 2013, the OPC approved the grant criteria and application form for the grant program and authorized staff to solicit and evaluate proposals, subject to the condition that the OPC shall approve final selection of any grants under this program (Exhibit 2).

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Staff from the Ocean Protection Council, Coastal Conservancy and the Coastal Commission have worked together to write the grant program announcement, answer questions from potential applicants, review the

applications and develop recommendations for the projects which best fit the grant selection criteria. Eighteen (18) applications were submitted, requesting a total of \$3.8 million (Exhibit 4). Refer to the Project Summary Section for a description of the seven projects that are recommended for funding, for a total of \$1,305,000. A second round of the grant program for the remaining funds will be announced in 2014.

#### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:**

Sea-level rise, extreme high tides, storms and coastal erosion are already impacting California's coast and the impacts will increase as sea-level rise accelerates due to changing climatic conditions. These impacts are unfolding differently in each region of the coast depending on the shoreline structure, development patterns and many other variables. Understanding, planning for, and reducing risk from these impacts must be done at the local, regional, and statewide scale in a collaborative manner. The purpose of these grants is to fund this work, particularly through local coastal planning pursuant to the California Coastal Act.

This grant program is focused on addressing sea-level rise in order to update Local Coastal Programs (LCPs) and other plans authorized under the Coastal Act such as Port Master Plans, Long Range Development Plans and Public Works Plans, which are fundamental planning documents for the California coast. LCPs and other Coastal Act authorized plans are required by the Coastal Act for each coastal jurisdiction, and are the basic planning and regulatory tool that guides development in the coastal zone in conformity with Coastal Act goals and policies. These plans must specify the kind, location, and intensity of land uses, the applicable resource protection and development policies and implementing ordinances. LCPs and other Coastal Act authorized plans are prepared primarily by local governments, and once certified, these plans govern most coastal permit decisions that can affect the short- and long-term conservation and use of coastal resources. Following adoption by the local planning authority, an LCP or other Coastal Act authorized plan is submitted to the Coastal Commission, which reviews and certifies as consistent with State law.

The purpose of this grant program is to support and encourage local governments and other entities responsible for planning under the Coastal Act to address sea-level rise as they develop and adopt updated plans that conserve and protect coastal resources, such as public accessways and recreation sites, environmentally sensitive habitat areas and other coastal and terrestrial resources, agricultural areas, new and existing development, coastal-dependent and visitor-serving uses, critical infrastructure, and other resources and priority uses identified by the Coastal Act. Grant funds will pay for technical planning work, evaluation of planning alternatives and transfer of this information to other jurisdictions; it is also the intent of this program to develop adaptation planning examples and/or ordinances that could be used by multiple jurisdictions. Finally, it is the goal of this program to encourage proactive planning that will protect public resources (including ecosystem function and public recreation) in the face of rising sea-levels and other impacts.

#### **CONSISTENCY WITH ADOPTED SELECTION CRITERIA**

The staff from OPC, Coastal Commission and Coastal Conservancy reviewed the proposals using the following selection criteria that were developed by staff from these agencies and approved by the OPC in March 2013. The projects recommended for approval are consistent with these selection criteria.

1. **Likelihood of adoption/approval/implementation** – The applicants for projects recommended for funding explained specifically how the grant will support updating of an LCP (or other Coastal Act authorized plan) to address sea-level rise. All of the applicants recommended for funding adopted resolutions committing to addressing sea-level rise and completing an LCP Amendment submittal to the Commission for updating the LCP.
2. **Public Benefit** – ~~The review team gave priority in awarding of grant funds to projects that~~ committed to maximize public benefits of the coast in addressing sea-level rise as articulated in the

Coastal Act and California Ocean Protection Act. These benefits include: preserving and enhancing habitat such as coastal wetlands and natural lands, conserving biodiversity, protecting, providing and enhancing public access, protecting priority land uses such as coastal dependent development and recreational opportunities and protecting visitor-serving amenities.

3. **Use of Best Available Science** – The review team considered whether applicants were proposing to use the best available science on sea-level rise in projects, and will continue to work with the entities implementing projects funded through this grant program to ensure that they consider the recommendations presented in the State of California Sea-Level Rise Guidance and other key references. As required by the application process, all of the applicants submitted preliminary analysis of potential impacts from sea-level rise using the NOAA Coastal Services Center Sea-level rise and Coastal Flooding Impacts Viewer or other readily-available planning tools.
4. **Effectiveness** - The goal of these grants is to encourage local entities to conserve and protect coastal resources, such as public accessways and recreation sites, environmentally sensitive habitat areas and other coastal and terrestrial resources, agricultural areas, new and existing development, coastal-dependent and visitor-serving uses, critical infrastructure, and other resources and priority uses identified by the Coastal Act. Applicants for projects recommended for funding demonstrated how the proposed project will be effective in conserving and protecting these resources from future impacts from sea-level rise and related climate change impacts through changes in LCPs or other applicable plans, and how the proposed projects build upon or complements existing efforts that may be underway or completed for their local jurisdiction
5. **Urgency and Need** – The projects selected by the review team demonstrated urgency due to the specific resources that are at risk from sea-level rise and the relationships with planning decisions that will have long-lasting effects
6. **Transferability** – The projects recommended by the review team address issues in a manner that may be useful as a model for other communities and will result in analysis, strategies, or draft ordinance language that may be used by other communities. Staff will continue to work with grantees to include in the work program specific activities to actively share information with others and to report on lessons learned.
7. **Matching Funds/Leverage** – The review team considered the extent to which the applicants were able to provide matching funds or leverage resources and concluded that the applicants for the selected projects demonstrated their capacity to achieve the proposed work.

## RECOMMENDED PROJECTS

Based on a collaborative review process with staff from the Coastal Conservancy, Coastal Commission and OPC using the adopted criteria for the LCP Sea-level Rise Grant Program, OPC staff recommend that the Council approve funding seven projects from the first grant round. See Exhibit 4 for additional information on all of the proposals that were received.

### **City of Eureka General Plan Update: Coastal Land Use Policy – Sea-level Rise Adaptation Strategies and Policies**

Staff recommends providing \$250,000 to the City of Eureka to implement a project that will support modeling to enable the City to update the LCP for coastal areas vulnerable to flooding. The City has committed approximately \$1,250,000 to support the General Plan Update and estimates that it will contribute an additional \$1- \$1.3 million for in-kind services related to the General Plan and LCP Update.

**City of Morro Bay Sea-level Rise Vulnerability Assessment and Policy Framework**

Staff recommends providing \$250,000 to the City of Morro Bay to prepare a sea-level rise vulnerability assessment to support the LCP and General Plan update. The City will use the outcomes of the vulnerability assessment to identify a policy framework based on the concept of natural infrastructure and an informed approach to coastal wetlands, natural lands, and habitat management. The City has committed \$76,000 and \$67,000 in-kind services to support the project.

**Capacity Building and Information Acquisition for Sea-level Rise Planning in the Los Angeles Greater Metropolitan Region**

Staff recommends providing a grant of \$235,000 to the City of Santa Monica to support a regional sea-level rise and coastal storms study to examine coastal erosion and shoreline change along the Los Angeles region coastline to enhance sea-level rise planning and protection of coastal assets, populations, and economies of participating jurisdictions. Regional partners are committing approximately \$180,000 of in-kind services and this grant will leverage significant investments by other agencies to model climate change impacts in southern California.

**Collaborating on Sea-level Marin: Adaptation Response Team**

Staff recommends providing \$200,000 to the County of Marin to address vulnerabilities to sea-level rise and define adaptation strategies that will increase the resiliency of the coastal resources of Marin. The County has committed \$81,000 in matching and the project will build upon funding from other partners and the collaborative work of the Our Coast Our Future project, which is valued at approximately \$1,640,000.

**Sonoma County LCP Update: Sea-level Rise Assessment and Adaptation**

Staff recommends providing a grant of \$150,000 to the County of Sonoma to support a technical assessment that will support the County in including sea-level rise as part of an LCP update that the County is currently conducting. The grant will also support the development of a range of policy options and implementation strategies to address the impacts of sea level rise. The County has committed \$315,000 for the LCP update and the total funding from other sources is an additional \$1.9 million.

**Collaborative Efforts to Assess Sea-level Rise Impacts and Evaluate Policy Options for the Monterey Bay Coast**

Staff recommends providing \$150,000 to the County of Monterey to collaborate with the County of Santa Cruz to compile data to complete a regional vulnerability assessment and evaluate adaptation responses to sea level rise. Other funding for this regional project totals approximately \$250,000 and \$69,000 of in-kind services.

**City of Half Moon Bay Local Coastal Program**

Staff recommends providing \$70,000 to the City of Half Moon Bay to assess existing conditions, trends and vulnerabilities associated with sea-level rise and to identify adaptive capacities and evaluate alternatives and draft a Land Use Plan based on this information. The City has committed \$250,000 for this fiscal year for updating the LCP.

**PROGRAM FINANCING**

Ocean Protection Council	\$1,305,000
Matching Funds	<u>\$1,972,000</u>
Total Project Cost	\$3,277,000

The anticipated source of funds will be the fiscal year 2008 appropriation from the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84). Proposition 84 authorizes the use of these funds for purposes consistent with Section 35650 of the Public



Resources Code, establishing the California Ocean Protection Trust Fund (Pub. Res. Code § 75060(g)). Under section 35650(b), Ocean Protection Trust Fund monies may be expended for projects authorized by the OPC that are identified as appropriate Trust Fund purposes. These purposes include projects that provide funding for adaptive management, planning, coordination, and other activities to minimize the adverse impacts of climate change, including sea-level rise on California's ocean ecosystem. (Pub. Res. Code § 35650(b)(2)(J)). Modernizing local coastal plans will directly improve the management of coastal and ocean resources as specified by this section. Any information developed under the grants which identifies early action measures for the elimination or reduction of emissions from greenhouse sources will be shared with the California Air Resources Board, consistent with PRC § 35650((b)(2)(J)(ii)

#### **CONSISTENCY WITH CALIFORNIA OCEAN PROTECTION ACT:**

See Exhibit 1: [November 29, 2012 OPC Staff Recommendation](#)

#### **CONSISTENCY WITH THE OPC'S STRATEGIC PLAN:**

See Exhibit 1: [November 29, 2012 OPC Staff Recommendation](#)

#### **CONSISTENCY WITH THE OPC'S GRANT PROGRAM FUNDING GUIDELINES:**

The OPC previously resolved that the LCP Sea-level Rise Grant Program is consistent with the OPC's Grant Program Funding Guidelines that were adopted on November 20, 2008 (see Exhibit 1 - November 29, 2012 OPC Staff Recommendation). The OPC adopted specific criteria and a grant application to use to evaluate projects for this grant round on March 27, 2013. The projects recommended for selection under the grant program are also consistent with the Interim Standards and Protocols for the OPC Grant Funding Procedures (August 2013) in the following respects:

1. **Project Eligibility** – The projects recommended for funding under the LCP Sea-Level Rise Grant Round are consistent with the California Ocean Protection Act and the OPC Strategic Plan and are directly related to the coast, associated estuaries and coastal-draining watersheds since they all pertain to projects that address sea-level rise vulnerabilities. All of the projects recommended for funding are supported by resolutions adopted by the governing bodies of local governments, indicating demonstrable support from the public. The selected projects are of greater-than-local interest since they all involve urgent vulnerabilities to sea-level rise and are designed to support transferability to other jurisdictions.
2. **Applicant Eligibility** – All of the proposed projects are led by local governments.
3. **Program Priorities** – The projects recommended for funding under the Grant Round support implementation of the OPC's Strategic Plan, including the following goals:
  - Improve decision-making through use of best available science by state entities and agencies charged with ocean and coastal stewardship.
  - Prepare for and reduce harmful impacts of climate change on coastal development and infrastructure, public health and safety, the economy, and ecosystems by encouraging adaptation to climate change and engaging decision makers at all levels of government.
  - Reduce the negative impacts of land-based activities on marine ecosystems and the state's coastal and ocean economy.

#### **COMPLIANCE WITH CEQA:**

The proposed projects are categorically exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to 14 Cal. Code of Regulations Section 15306 because they involve data collection, research and resource evaluation activities that will not result in a serious or major disturbance to an

environmental resource; and Section 15262 in that they involve feasibility or planning studies for possible future actions which have not yet been approved, adopted or funded. Staff will file a Notice of Exemption upon approval by the OPC.