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Item #7

Monterey County



DEPARTMENT OF
**EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT**
COUNTY OF MONTEREY

Department of Emergency Management

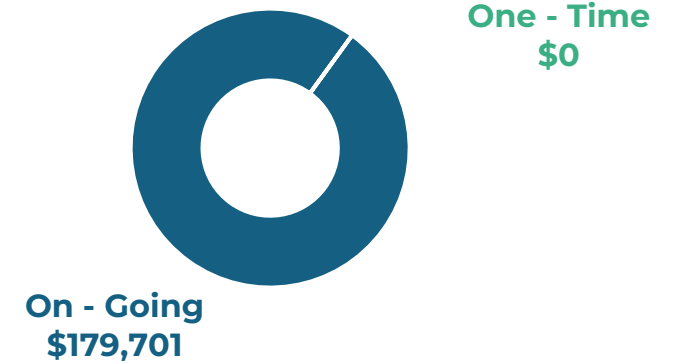
FY 26-27 Budget Augmentation Requests

Augmentation Summary

2026-27 Baseline GFC \$2,561,529

Augmentation Requests \$179,701

Total Proposed Budget \$2,741,230



Priority

Item

Description

Category

Funding Requested



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Administrative Secretary Position

Allocated Filled - Full Time - Permanent

On-Going

\$0



1

Management Analyst I Position

Allocated Vacant - Full Time - Permanent

On-Going

\$179,701

TOTAL

\$179,701

Item 1

Management Analyst I

Request Amount	Category
\$179,701 Or \$86,335	On Going

Request Summary



Request to re-classify and fund one frozen vacant (1) **full-time permanent Management Analyst II** position to a **full-time OR part-time permanent Management Analyst I**.

Need

- **2020 Wildfire Private Property Debris Removal Program Insurance Collection:** Mandatory function requiring tracking, follow-up, and documentation of property owner insurance proceeds to ensure full cost recovery and audit-ready records.
- **Senate Bill 38 - Battery Energy Storage System Emergency Action Plan Review:** Establishes requirements for safety, permitting, and emergency planning for battery energy storage systems, including hazard mitigation standards and coordination with local and state agencies to ensure public safety. Increased demand for plan review, comment tracking, and interagency coordination to support regulatory compliance and emergency planning for lithium-ion battery facilities.
- **Assembly Bill 339 Compliance:** AB339 expands labor relations requirements under state law by reinforcing obligations for public agencies to provide notice and engage in good-faith meet and confer processes with employee organizations on wages, hours, and working conditions, requiring increased coordination and documentation.

Consequences

- Loss of cost recovery and funding: Failure to complete insurance collection efforts may result in unrecovered eligible costs and repayment to federal programs. Approx \$38K in repayment, \$7.3 M liable.
- Legal and compliance exposure: Noncompliance with labor relations requirements and statutory obligations can lead to unfair labor practice claims, litigation, or findings of violation by oversight bodies.
- Operational and safety risk: Inadequate coordination on battery energy storage systems emergency action plan review which increases the risk of delayed permit application response and potential public safety impacts.

Item 2

Emergency Operations Center Budget (In case of Emergency)

Request Amount	Category
\$0	One-Time

Request Summary



Appropriations for the **Emergency Operations Center** Unit directly impact the ability of the department to respond to no-notice/un-planned emergencies and disasters.

Need

- Increases EOC’s ability to respond immediately without waiting for budgetary appropriations.
- Allows for flexible response to smaller scale incidents and/or implementation of emergency mitigation actions.
- Expedited acquisition of resources.
- Reliable emergency funding due to increased frequency of emergencies.
- Leveraging available funds reduces the need to draw from Strategic Reserves.

Consequences

- DEM will not have any budget flexibility to cover emergency response expenses without a local proclamation.
- If a separate fund was established, unspent EOC funds could continue to be saved for future emergencies reducing the need for funding over time so every year it goes unfunded decreases the amount available for a large emergency.
- Without a response budget, increase in Strategic Reserves request.