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Board Report

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a. Authorize and approve an increase in estimated appropriations of \$141,545 in the Fiscal Year 2014-15 Adopted Budget for Environmental Services Unit 001-3000-8444-RMA099 for the Carmel River Floodplain Restoration and Environmental Enhancement Project, where the financing source will be a reimbursement by the State of California Department of Water Resources (4/5th vote required);

b. Authorize and approve an increase in estimated revenue of \$141,545 in the FY 2014-15 Adopted Budget for Environmental Services Unit 001-3000-8444-RMA099; and c. Authorize the Auditor-Controller to incorporate approved modifications in the FY 2014-15 Budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

a. Authorize and approve an increase in estimated appropriations of \$141,545 in the Fiscal Year 2014-15 Adopted Budget for Environmental Services Unit 001-3000-8444-RMA099 for the Carmel River Floodplain Restoration and Environmental Enhancement Project, where the financing source will be a reimbursement by the State of California Department of Water Resources (4/5th vote required);

b. Authorize and approve an increase in estimated revenue of \$141,545 in the FY 2014-15
Adopted Budget for Environmental Services Unit 001-3000-8444-RMA099; and
c. Authorize the Auditor-Controller to incorporate approved modifications in the FY 2014-15
Budget.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

On July 29, 2014, the Board of Supervisors approved a Professional Services Agreement with Denise Duffy & Associates to provide environmental documentation, California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)/National Environmental Quality Act (NEPA) and regulatory permitting for the Carmel River Floodplain Restoration and Environmental Enhancement (CRFREE) Project located in the Carmel Area Land Use Plan in the amount not to exceed \$256,769 for a term of July 29, 2014 through June 30, 2016. At that time it was not known how much would be needed for the Fiscal Year 2014-15 but staff noted that RMA would return to the Board of Supervisors with a request to increase appropriations and revenue for this project.

According to staff the amount needed for the current Fiscal Year is \$141,545 and the balance of the Agreement (\$115,224) will be incorporated in the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Recommended Budget.

The CRFREE project is a multi-objective project to construct a causeway just south of the Carmel River Bridge on Highway 1, restore flood capacity on the Odello east property, and

restore floodplain habitat. On June 18, 2014 the County entered into an agreement with the State of California Department of Water Resources to receive \$5 million grant funds toward the CRFREE project.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

This report was presented to the Budget Committee on March 25, 2015.

FINANCING:

There is no impact to the General Fund. The costs associated with this increase are funded through an agreement between the County of Monterey and the State of California Department of Water Resources to reimburse the incurred costs for services provided to this Project.

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Approved by:

Carl P. Holm, AICP, Acting RMA Director

Dated: March 27, 2015

Attachment: Agreement between the State of California Department of Water Resources and Monterey County (Attachment on file with the Clerk of the Board)

cc: Mike Miller, Auditor-Controller