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(Grant Application)

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**Attachment B
Proposed Board Resolution**

**Before the Board of Supervisors in and for the
County of Monterey, State of California**

- Resolution No. _____)
Resolution of the Monterey County Board of)
Supervisors to:)
a. Authorize the Monterey County Resource)
Management Agency Director to submit a)
grant application to the California Coastal)
Commission in an amount of up to)
\$100,000 for financial assistance to fund)
the development of a Maritime Chaparral)
Management Plan and the evaluation of)
sea level rise adaptation measures as part)
of the County's update of its certified)
Local Coastal Program, and)
b. Authorize the Resource Management)
Agency Director, or his designee, to)
execute on behalf of the County of)
Monterey, all necessary applications,)
contracts and agreements and amendments)
thereto as needed to receive grant funding.)

WHEREAS, the Budget Act of 2013 provides an appropriation of \$1 million for Coastal Commission grants in FY 14-15 to local governments to support Local Coastal Program (LCP) planning, and

WHEREAS, the California Coastal Commission, under the authority of the California Coastal Act, may provide financial assistance to support coastal planning and has approved a competitive grant program to provide such financial assistance for LCP planning; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the grant program is to develop new or updated LCPs in conformance with the California Coastal Act and to reflect current circumstances and new scientific information, including new understandings and concern for the effects of climate change, and

WHEREAS, grant proposals submitted under this grant program must complete land use plan and/or zoning work to either achieve submittal for certification of a Local Coastal Program (LCP) or an Area of Deferred Certification (ADC) or of an LCP Amendment to significantly update a certified LCP or LCP segments, including with special emphasis on effects of climate change and sea-level rise;

WHEREAS, County of Monterey has an LCP that consists of four land use plans—*North County Land Use Plan* (certified in 1982), *Del Monte Forest Land Use Plan* (certified in 1984), *Carmel Land Use Plan* (certified in 1983), and the *Big Sur Coast Land Use Plan* (certified in 1986)—that govern development in Monterey County's Coastal Zone in conjunction with Monterey County's 1982 General Plan; and

WHEREAS, the County of Monterey desires to pursue a project that would result in new technical information as well as new LCP policy and regulation designed to address the most pressing issues related to climate change on California's central coast—increased frequency and intensity of wildfire and sea level rise; and

WHEREAS, the County of Monterey commits to and agrees to fully support a planning effort intended to result in new technical information as well as new LCP policy and regulation pursuant to, and fully in conformity with, the provisions of the California Coastal Act, with full public participation and coordination with the Coastal Commission staff.

DECISION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors does hereby:

1. Authorize the Monterey County Resource Management Agency Director to submit a grant application to the California Coastal Commission in an amount of up to \$100,000 for financial assistance to fund the development of a Maritime Chaparral Management Plan and the evaluation of sea level rise adaptation measures as part of the County's update of its certified Local Coastal Program, and
2. Authorize the Resource Management Agency Director, or his designee, to execute on behalf of the County of Monterey, all necessary applications, contracts and agreements and amendments thereto as needed to receive grant funding.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 1st day of July 2014, by the following vote, to-wit:

AYES: ·

NOES:

ABSENT:

I, Gail T. Borkowski, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book ___ for the meeting on _____.

Dated:

Gail T. Borkowski, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Monterey, State of California

By _____
Deputy

Local Coastal Program Planning Grants Application Form

OVERVIEW

Monterey County is submitting this application for a local coastal program (LCP) planning grant in response to the April 23, 2014 grant announcement issued by the state of California for FY 2014-2015. The two-part work program proposed below would result in new technical information as well as new LCP policy and regulation. The program is designed to address the most pressing issues related to climate change on California's central coast—increased frequency and intensity of wildfire and sea level rise.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Indicate which grant programs you are applying for (can be one or both).

OPC LCP Sea-Level Rise Grant

Coastal Commission LCP Planning Grant

Applicant name (organization): County of Monterey – Resource Management Agency

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Federal Tax ID# 94-6000524

Application prepared by: Name: Martin Carver Title: Management Specialist

Person authorized to sign grant agreement amendment: Name: Benny Young Title: Director

Signature:

Date:

PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Title: Monterey County LCP Technical Studies and Policy Development

LCP/ LCP Segment: Monterey County (North County LUP, Del Monte Forest LUP, Carmel LUP, Big Sur LUP)

Project location: City/Geographic area: Monterey County County: Monterey

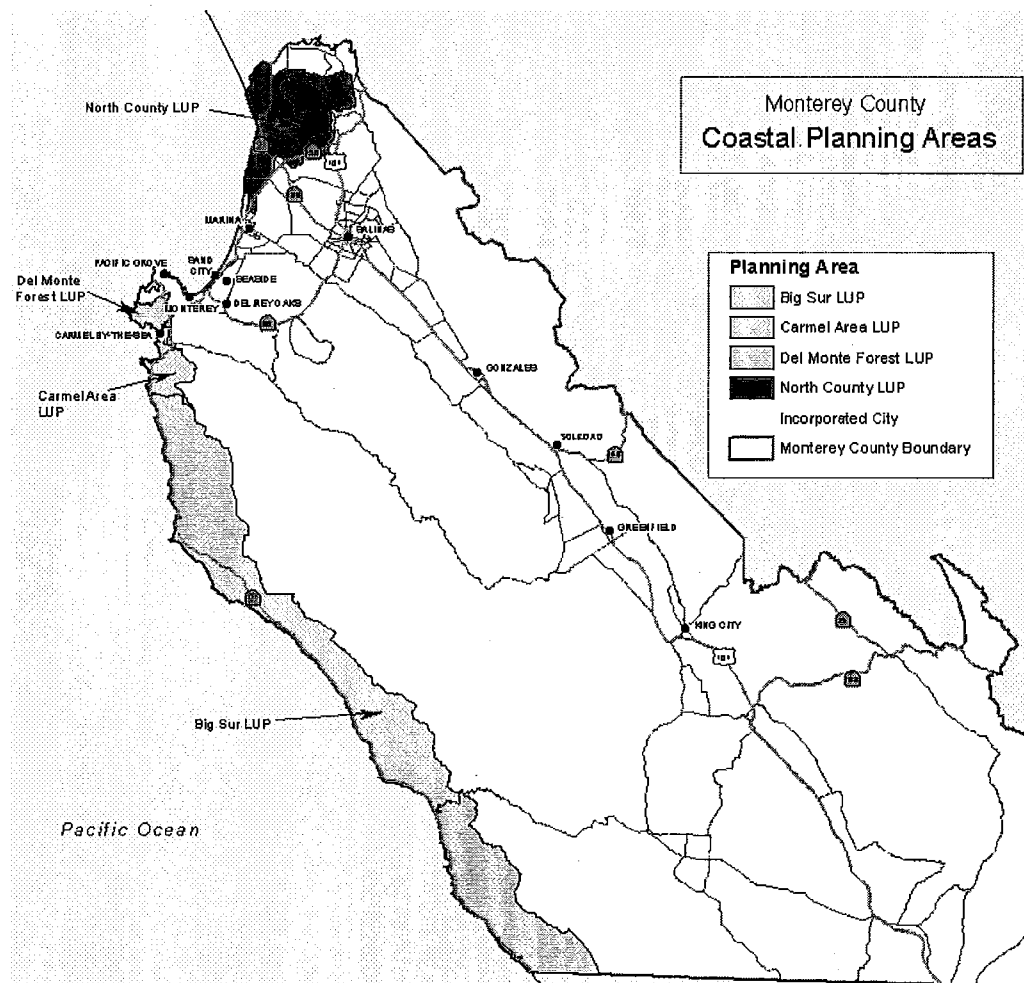
Project timeline: Start date: February 2015 End date: February 2017

Amount of Grant Proposal: \$100,000

PLANNING AREA

The proposed project involves four land use planning areas that comprise the approximately 310 square miles of coastal zone land covered by the Monterey County LCP. Figure 1 shows the LCP planning areas.

Figure 1. LCP Planning Areas



Source: Monterey County RMA, 2013

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The following is a description of the proposed work program. The first part of the work program includes: 1) the preparation of a Maritime Chaparral Management Plan that would provide the latest in science-based information on the characteristics and range of the habitat and set forth a management plan for habitat stewardship and fire safety, and 2) the integration of the Maritime Chaparral Management Plan into new LCP policies and regulations for each of Monterey County's four coastal Land Use Plans—North County, Del Monte Forest, Carmel, and Big Sur. The second part of the work program is an adjunct to the Monterey Bay Sea Level Rise Adaptation Project (funded by the OPC in FY 13-14) designed to identify and evaluate specific adaptation and management strategies and to incorporate these strategies into Local Coastal Programs in the Monterey Bay Region.

Part 1 – Maritime Chaparral Management Plan

Goals and Objectives

The goal of Part 1 of the work program—the Maritime Chaparral Management Plan—is to bring the best available science forward regarding the management and conservation of Maritime Chaparral and to build consensus around new policy and regulations for habitat conservation, land use, and fire safety. The objectives of this work program item include:

1. Improved classification and mapping of chaparral habitat;
2. Assessment of the various subtypes of chaparral as they relate to the designation of Environmentally Sensitive habitat Area (ESHA);
3. Improved techniques for effective fire safety in chaparral habitats and a better understanding of the likely effects of climate change on fire safety;
4. A strategy for the long-term conservation and stewardship of chaparral habitats;
5. Development of new and revised policies for Maritime Chaparral applicable to each of the four Monterey County Coastal Land Use Plans—North County, Del Monte Forest, Carmel, and Big Sur; and
6. Development of new and revised regulations for the Monterey County Coastal Implementation Plan.

Approach

Monterey County will retain the services of a qualified expert to undertake the following tasks in close collaboration with Monterey County, Big Sur stakeholders, and other interested parties. Work completed by the consulting expert will be the subject of an independent review by peers.

Task 1.1 – Classification and Mapping

The consulting expert shall undertake fine-scale vegetation mapping and classification in a GIS format, utilizing existing maps and historical data from various sources (University of California, State and county agencies, private property owners, land trusts, district parks, etc.), field data, and professional expertise. The mapping protocol and classification methodology will be consistent with State Fish and Wildlife and California Native Plant Society vegetation—rapid assessment data collection and vegetation classification techniques. Maritime chaparral will be mapped in all coastal areas of Monterey County, with directed emphasis in areas that experience high levels of catastrophic fire risk (e.g., Big Sur Coast). The mapping product will be printed maps in a variety of desirable formats and GIS data shape files layered onto the highest resolution aerial photos economically available.

Task 1.2 – Assessment of Rarity and Threats

Maritime Chaparral is identified as ESHA by the Coastal Commission and as a Rare Plant Community by CNPS and State Fish and Wildlife. However, there is some misunderstanding of how to assess and evaluate these rare coastal associations. Agencies and property owners are sometimes confused about what is and what is not maritime chaparral. Certain maritime chaparral associations are rarer than others.

The consulting expert will undertake the classification and rarity assessment of Monterey County maritime chaparral communities with the aim to clarify and alleviate the confusion and educate people on how to carefully steward and manage these communities for biodiversity, conservation, and fire safety.

Task 1.3 – Fire Safety Evaluation and Planning

Because maritime chaparral is a fire adapted plant community that requires fire for regeneration at relatively long intervals, fire safety assessment and management of habitats and surrounding human inhabited property is critical to both conservation and human safety.

The consulting expert will evaluate fire risk and prepare a set of recommendations for fire safety in maritime chaparral habitats, including recommendations for pre-treatment of maritime chaparral stands. This task will also address the likely effects of climate change (e.g. longer burn seasons, greater area susceptible to burn, etc.) on fire management in Maritime Chaparral habitats.

Task 1.4 – Maritime Chaparral Long-Term Management

The consulting expert will prepare a plan for the long-term conservation and stewardship of maritime chaparral, including biodiversity conservation in both existing wild/native populations and in off-site conservation gardens and seed banks.

Task 1.5 – Draft Maritime Chaparral Management Plan

The consulting expert will prepare an administrative draft Maritime Chaparral Management Plan based on the work completed in the previous tasks. The consulting expert will then prepare a public review draft Maritime Chaparral Management Plan based on comments received from Monterey County officials.

Task 1.6 – Peer Review

Monterey County, in consultation with the University of California and others in the scientific community, will assemble a three-person team of peers to review the materials prepared by the consulting expert. The peer review shall evaluate the efficacy of the technical materials as well as recommendations for management and policy development.

Task 1.7 – Final Maritime Chaparral Management Plan

The consulting expert will finalize the Maritime Chaparral Management Plan based on peer review comments and comments received through the public participation program outlines below.

Task 1.8 – LCP Maritime Chaparral Policy Development

Using the public participation program outlined below in the next section, Monterey County planners will work closely with coastal stakeholders and the California Coastal Commission to craft new and revised policies and regulations related to Maritime Chaparral for the Monterey County's Local Coastal Program. Monterey County officials will submit an LCP Amendment application to the California Coastal Commission for formal review and action.

Task 1.9 – LCP Amendments Submitted to CCC

Monterey County will process a proposed LCP Amendment through the established hearing procedures and submit it to the California Coastal Commission for certification.

Outcomes/Deliverables

The following products/deliverables are associated with this task:

1. Maritime Chaparral Management Plan;
2. LUP Maritime Chaparral policies addressing habitat conservation, land use, and fire safety;
3. CIP regulations addressing habitat conservation, land use, and fire safety; and
4. LCP amendment submittal to CCC

Stakeholders and Public Participation

The Maritime Chaparral Management Plan and its peer review will be made available in draft form to stakeholders, Monterey County officials, and the California Coastal Commission. Stakeholders will include land use advisory committees, fire officials, interested environmental and business groups, property owners, and residents. The draft plan will be presented at one (1) community workshop and published on-line for easy access. Monterey County officials and the consulting expert will hold two (2) additional meetings to receive public comment and present final plans and recommendations.

Potential Obstacles

The most important ingredient for the successful completion of goals and objectives is the ability of consulting experts to present clear data and recommendations that stand up to peer review. After that, it's up to stakeholders and public agencies to set aside entrenched positions and forge common ground around a set of measures that will effectively address fire safety, land use, and habitat management.

Part 2 – Evaluation of Sea Level Rise Regional Adaptation Responses

Goal and Objective

The goal of Part 2 of the work program—Evaluation of Sea Level Rise Regional Adaptation Responses—is to craft an effective policy response to sea level rise in the Monterey Bay Region. The objective of this work program item is to identify workable adaptation responses that can enjoy widespread support from public agencies and the public and to integrate these responses into LCP policies and regulations.

Approach

Monterey County will use the consulting expert retained by Coastal Conservation and Research (under the auspices of Moss Landing Marine Laboratories) to investigate alternative responses to climate threats to coastal development and natural resources. In addition, the consulting expert will provide support for the integration of adaptation response alternatives ranging from “grey to green” into LCP and other jurisdictional planning documents. Finally, this task will evaluate the secondary implications of employing various response alternatives along various portions of the coast. This work will build off of current grant efforts by Monterey County and The Nature Conservancy to identify response alternatives to various sea level rise threats and review the economic impacts of those strategies.

Task 2.1 – Identify and Evaluate Adaptation Responses

The consulting expert will work with municipalities and the private sector to identify specific adaptation and management strategies that could be implemented within the various planning horizons to respond to sea level rise. This work will include the evaluation of identified

adaptation practices for likelihood of success, the cost of maintenance, and implications for coastal access, habitat conservation efforts, and coastal-dependent development. This work will also include work with The Nature Conservancy to evaluate and report on the secondary impacts to coastal resources and to local economies that will result from implementation of selected strategies.

Task 2.2 – Sea Level Rise Policy Development

Using the public participation program outlined below in the next section, Monterey County planners will work closely with coastal stakeholders and the California Coastal Commission to craft new and revised policies and regulations related to Sea Level Rise for the Monterey County's Local Coastal Program. Monterey County officials will consult with its Coastal Land Use Advisory Committees to receive public input and finalize policies and regulations.

Task 2.3 – LCP Amendment Submittal to CCC

Monterey County will process a proposed LCP Amendment through the established hearing procedures and submit it to the California Coastal Commission for certification.

Outcomes/Deliverables

The following products/deliverables are associated with this task:

1. LCP policies and regulations that incorporate applicable protection and adaptation strategies related to sea level rise. In addition, the consulting expert will report on unintended consequences to coastal resources and economic impacts to local communities.
2. LCP amendment submittal to CCC

Partners

This part of this work program is an adjunct to the work already underway with Coastal Conservation and Research, which was funded by the Ocean Protection Council's Sea Level Rise Adaptation Grant in FY 2013-14. As such, a part of the budget for this task will pass through to Coastal Conservation and Research.

Stakeholders and Public Participation

The stakeholders for the part of the work program include: Monterey County, Santa Cruz County, the City of Capitola, and the California Coastal Commission. Staff from these agencies will discuss the results of the technical work on sea level rise being undertaken by Coastal Conservation and Research and its consultants with land use advisory committees, interested environmental and business groups, property owners, and residents. The discussion will take place at one (1) regional workshop, and supporting materials will be published on-line for easy

access. Individual jurisdictions will hold additional meetings as necessary to receive public comment and present final plans and recommendations applicable to the jurisdiction.

Potential Obstacles

The most important ingredient for the successful completion of goals and objectives in this part of the work program is the identification of realistic adaptation measures to sea level rise that provide a policy basis for the continuation of essential uses and infrastructure in coastal areas that will experience the worst effects of sea level rise in the Monterey Bay Region.

Work Program and Schedule

The work program and schedule for project implementation, including anticipated benchmarks for LCP or LCP amendment development and review for the project, are presented below.

Schedule

Proposed starting date: February 1, 2015

Estimated completion: February 28, 2017

Work Program

The proposed work program is presented below in Table 1.

Table 1 – Work Program

PROJECT TITLE	SCHEDULE
Part 1 – Maritime Chaparral Management Plan	Complete Date: January 31, 2017
Task 1.1 – Classification and Mapping	Projected start/end dates: February 1, 2015/April 31, 2015
Task 1.2 – Assessment of Rarity and Threats	Projected start/end dates: May 1, 2015/June 30, 2015
Task 1.3 – Fire Safety Evaluation and Planning	Projected start/end dates: July 1, 2015/August 31, 2015
Task 1.4 – Maritime Chaparral Long-Term Management	Projected start/end dates: September 1, 2015/September 30, 2015
Task 1.5 – Draft Maritime Chaparral Management Plan	Projected start/end dates: October 1, 2015/December 31, 2015
Task 1.6 – Peer Review	Projected start/end dates: January 1, 2016/February 28, 2016
Task 1.7 – Final Maritime Chaparral Management Plan	Projected start/end dates: March 1, 2016/April 31, 2016
Task 1.8 – LCP Maritime Chaparral Policy Development	Projected start/end dates: May 1, 2016/October 31, 2016

PROJECT TITLE	SCHEDULE
Task 1.9 – LCP Amendment Submittal to CCC	Submittal date/action: November 1, 2016/February 28, 2017
Outcomes/Deliverables 1. Maritime Chaparral Management Plan; 2. LUP Maritime Chaparral policies addressing habitat conservation, land use, and fire safety; 3. CIP regulations addressing habitat conservation, land use, and fire safety; and 4. LCP amendment submittal to CCC	Projected complete date: February 28, 2017
Part 2 – Evaluation of Sea Level Rise Regional Adaptation Responses	
Task 2.1 – Identify and Evaluate Adaptation Responses	Projected start/end dates: June 1, 2015/October 31, 2015
Task 2.2 – Sea Level Rise Policy Development	Projected start/end dates: November 1, 2015/October 31, 2016
Task 2.3 – LCP Amendment Submittal to CCC	Projected start/end dates: November 1, 2016/February 28, 2017
Outcomes/Deliverables 1. LCP policies and regulations that incorporate applicable protection and adaptation strategies related to sea level rise. In addition, the consulting expert will report on unintended consequences to coastal resources and economic impacts to local communities. 2. LCP amendment submittal to CCC	Projected complete date: February 28, 2017

Benchmark Schedule

Project benchmarks are presented below in Table 2.

Table 2 – Project Benchmarks

ACTIVITY	COMPLETION DATE
Draft Maritime Chaparral Management Plan	December 31, 2015
Final Maritime Chaparral Management Plan	April 30, 2016
Draft Sea Level Rise Policies and Regulations	October 31, 2016
LCP Amendment Submittal to CCC	November 1, 2016

Budget

The proposed budget, including the funding request, total project cost, estimated costs per task, funding sources, and in-kind services, is presented below.

Funding Request and Total Project Cost

Funding Request: \$100,000 Total Project Cost: \$130,000

Estimated Cost per Task and Funding Sources

The estimated cost of each proposed task and the source of funding are summarized below in Table 3.

Table 3 – Detailed Project Budget

Task Number	Task Name	Cost Allocation Among all Funding Sources		
		Total Cost	Applicant's Funding (in-kind)	LCP Grant Funding
<i>Maritime Chaparral Management Plan</i>				
Task 1.1	Classification and Mapping	\$30,000	--	\$30,000
Task 1.2	Assessment of Rarity and Threats	\$10,000	--	\$10,000
Task 1.3	Fire Safety Evaluation and Planning	\$15,000	--	\$15,000
Task 1.4	Maritime Chaparral Long-Term Management	\$5,000	--	5,000
Task 1.5	Draft Maritime Chaparral Management Plan	\$15,000	--	15,000
Task 1.6	Peer Review	\$7,500	--	7,500
Task 1.7	Final Maritime Chaparral Management Plan	\$7,500	--	7,500
Task 1.8	LCP Maritime Chaparral Policy Development	\$15,000	15,000	--
Task 1.9	LCP Amendment Submittal to CCC	\$5,000	5,000	--
<i>Sea Level Rise Policy Evaluation</i>				
Task 2.1	Identify and Evaluate Adaptation Responses	\$10,000	--	10,000
Task 2.2	Sea Level Rise Policy Development	\$10,000	10,000	--
Task 2.3	LCP Amendment Submittal to CCC	--	--	--
TOTAL		\$130,000	\$30,000	\$100,000

In-kind Services: \$30,000

Monterey County RMA will provide in-kind services in the form of project management, policy development, public participation facilitation, grant administration, and application preparation for CCC submittal. These costs are expected to total approximately \$30,000.

Budget Summary

A summary of the project budget is presented below in Table 4.

Table 4 – Grant Application Budget Form

Organization Name: Monterey County
 Project Title: Monterey County LCP Technical Studies and Policy Development
 Requested Amount: \$100,000

	Grant Request Budget	Total Budget
Personnel		
Salaries and Wages ¹	--	\$21,429
Benefits ²	--	\$8,571
Total Personnel	--	\$30,000
Consultants		
Maritime Chaparral Management Plan	\$85,000	\$85,000
Coastal Conservation and Research	\$15,000	\$15,000
Operating Expenses		
Postage/Shipping	--	--
Supplies/Materials	--	--
Travel	--	--
Indirect Costs	--	--
Other	--	--
Total Operating Expenses	\$100,000	\$100,000
Total Budget	\$100,000	\$130,000

Notes: ¹An explanation of rate(s) and hours for each position for which funds are being requested is attached as Exhibit A.
²Requested benefits are approximately 40% of amount requested for salary and wages.

SUPPLEMENTAL FORM A

COASTAL COMMISSION LCP GRANT PROGRAM

ADOPTED PRIORITIES AND CRITERIA

A detailed description of how the proposed project addresses each of the Coastal Commission LCP grant priorities and criteria is discussed below.

Public Benefit/Significance

The preparation of a Maritime Chaparral Management Plan is a key ingredient in the successful completion of the Monterey County LCP. In Big Sur, for example, people disagree on what of the abundant chaparral habitat that exists there actually constitutes environmentally sensitive habitat, what constitutes an appropriate management strategy for the habitat, and how to best manage the habitat for fire safety. This lack of consensus is the biggest roadblock to the successful completion of the *Big Sur Coast Land Use Plan*. Similar issues exist to some extent in North County as well. With this grant, Monterey County officials hope to bring forth the best available science regarding Maritime Chaparral as a way of building consensus and drafting a Local Coastal Program that has widespread community support and passes muster with the California Coastal Commission.

The results of the Maritime Chaparral Management Plan, in addition to playing a critical role in finishing the update of the Monterey County LCP, will also be relevant in other parts of the California coast. By understanding and mapping the extent of maritime chaparral ESHA and by addressing how fires affect it and how fires may change due to climate change (e.g. longer burn seasons, greater area susceptible to burn, etc.), this study will produce potential policy solutions that are of statewide significance and that will help ensure that the public can safely enjoy the California coast for generations to come.

The second part of this proposed work program is a companion to the Ocean Protection Council Sea Level Rise Adaptation Grant (funded in FY 13-14) to study the effects of sea level rise and evaluate possible adaptation strategies. Results from the OPC Grant will support development of LCP responses to sea level rise and will serve as a model for similar work throughout coastal California. Monterey County is a regional partner in the Nature Conservancy's Statewide Climate Planning Team intended to support the exchange of ideas among the communities that receive OPC/LCP grant funding. The State policy discussions and prioritized actions will be highlighted at a LCP grant-sponsored symposium, with the intent to share adaptation approaches and aid in the establishment of standard approaches to addressing coastal threats in the 21st Century. This work is also a critical part of integrating the results of the sea level rise technical studies into local coastal policy and regulation. As with the first part of the work program, this work is a key

ingredient to building community support for LCP update efforts in both Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties.

Relative Need for LCP Update/Extent of Update

The Monterey County LCP currently consists of the four adopted land use plans – *North County Land Use Plan*, *Del Monte Forest Land Use Plan*, *Carmel Land Use Plan*, and *Big Sur Land Use Plan* – and their associated Coastal Implementation Plans, which are contained in Title 20 of the Monterey County Code. The LCP was originally certified and published in 1988, and while there have been various minor amendments addressing specific issues, the program has not been comprehensively updated since its original publication. In 2003, the California Coastal Commission prepared a Preliminary Periodic Review that contains hundreds of pages of suggested revisions to the LCP. These recommendations addressed a wide range of pressing issues including: land use and infrastructure, natural habitats, water quality and marine resources, agricultural resources, public access and recreation, coastal hazards, scenic resources, and energy development. The work to be undertaken under this grant is a critical component to the successful completion of the Monterey County LCP.

Addressing the Effects of Climate Change

The proposed project is designed to address the most pressing issues related to climate change on California's central coast—increased frequency and intensity of wildfire and sea level rise. This is an urgent effort, as associated impacts have already taken an economic and environmental toll on Monterey County. In Big Sur, the devastating effect of wildfire is being felt with increased frequency. In Moss Landing, where the effect of sea level rise could be felt acutely, important ocean research organizations, including the Monterey Bay Aquarium Research Institute and Moss Landing Marine Laboratories are planning significant investments. New policy guidance will address shoreline protection, planned retreat, and redevelopment to ensure that existing and new development is accomplished in a safe and sustainable manner. In addition, sea level rise will also result in higher levels of coastal erosion, which puts beaches, dune habitats, and valuable slough habitats like Elkhorn Slough at risk of degradation. These issues require new and revised policy guidance.

Likelihood of Success/Effectiveness

Monterey County's LCP update is underway but suffers from difficult policy disputes. The requested grant funds would help support the LCP update process by bringing the best available science to bear on difficult issues to build broad community support for the effort. The public participation program includes a robust consultation effort with Coastal Commission staff and the public. The proposed work program is supported by the team at Coastal Conservation and Research, which is managing the OPC grant work. Members of the Big Sur Land Use Advisory Committee have been briefed on the grant proposal and acknowledged the importance of having

better information to guide policy development, particularly as it relates to fire safety and management of the Maritime Chaparral habitat.

Workload and Permit Streamlining

Due to the growing number of policy issues resulting from changing circumstance and new information made available through scientific research (as outlined in part by the 2003 Preliminary Periodic Review), Monterey County has accrued a backlog of development permits either awaiting completion of the LCP update or that have been appealed directly to the California Coastal Commission. The requested grant funds and the resulting technical studies and LCP update would allow Monterey County to resolve some of the permit backlog and hopefully reduce the number the projects appealed to the California Coastal Commission. This efficiency will reduce costs for both Monterey County and the California Coastal Commission and provide for more consistent application of changing norms and standards as new development proposals come forward.

Project Integration/Leverage/Matching Funds

This grant proposal is structured without any formal matching funds. Part 2 of the work program (related to the sea level rise adaptation work) amounts to \$15,000 and supports the \$150,000 grant from the Ocean Protection Council, the California Coastal Commission, and the Coastal Conservancy awarded in FY 2013-14. Monterey County will provide in-kind support in the form of project management, public participation facilitation, and grant administration. This in-kind support is expected to total approximately \$30,000 over the two-year period.

Exhibit A

Explanation of Salary Rates and Hours

An explanation of salary rates and hours for RMA planning is presented below in Table 5.

Table 5 – Rates and Hours

Classification	Hours	Rate	Salary Costs
Services Manager	500	\$52.96	\$26,480
GIS Analyst	100	\$36.18	\$3,618
Total	3,500		\$30,098

Exhibit B

Resolution from the Board of Supervisors

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