

County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors Chambers 168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor Salinas, CA 93901

Board Report

File #: RES 19-008, Version: 1

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the County Administrative Office to file a Grant Application on behalf of the County of Monterey with the State of California Cultural, Community and Natural Resources Grant Program for partial funding of a Potable Water project at Laguna Seca Recreation Area and appoint the Assistant County Administrative Officer as agent to conduct all negotiations.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors adopt a Resolution authorizing the County Administrative Office to file a Grant Application on behalf of the County of Monterey with the State of California Cultural, Community and Natural Resources Grant Program for partial funding of a Potable Water project at Laguna Seca Recreation Area and appoint the Assistant County Administrative Officer as agent to conduct all negotiations.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The current water system at Laguna Seca Recreation Area does not meet federally mandated arsenic levels of compliance for potable water. The current water also shows high levels of copper and iron. To provide potable water throughout Laguna Seca Recreation Area, outdated water systems need refurbishment and replacement of existing, non-functioning water systems and the installation of a water filtration plant. Once complete this project will provide safe water to all facility staff and guests.

There are three distinct elements to the Potable Water project that must be completed to achieve the goal of providing safe, clean, drinkable water to the public: 1) Drill a new well to access water and replace one non-functioning well. Existing pump components must be repurposed, refurbished or replaced to complete this process; 2) Design and install a new water treatment plant into the water distribution system; and, 3) Decommission and replace with new or refurbished 100,000-gallon storage tank to extend the life of the current tank.

The facility has two wells from which to draw water for the entire facility. Currently, only one is in working order as the other has not produced water in over 12 years. The County of Monterey has done the survey work and has identified a suitable location to drill a well that will produce water. All approvals and permits have been acquired for this portion of the project. Once the funding has been procured, this project can begin almost immediately.

Laguna Seca Recreation Area is a facility that welcomes over a quarter of a million visitors a year, without access to potable water. The goal in requesting the grant is to supplement funding available through the County of Monterey to upgrade, construct and create a functioning water system that will provide safe, clean, drinkable water to the entire facility, visitors and employees. This project will also create an enhanced public desire to visit and utilize the facility to its full capacity.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The County Administrative Office prepared this report which was reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

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FINANCING:

There are no matching funds required for the Cultural, Community and Natural Resources Grant Program. If a grant is awarded, the County will receive a one-time disbursement of funds for the Potable Water project and if approved will use both grant funds and retained earnings to finance the project.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

The items included in this report relate to the Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives on Economic Development and Administration.

Mark a check to the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives

- X Economic Development
- * Administration
- X Health & Human Services
- X Infrastructure
- X Public Safety

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Attachments: Resolution Approving the Application for Grant Funds for the Cultural, Community & Natural

Resource Grant Program