

Board Report

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Consider recommending that the Board of Directors adopt a resolution authorizing and directing the General Manager to make a proposal to the California Department of Water Resources to obtain a Round 1 Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation Grant pursuant to the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014 (Water Code § 79700 *et seq.*), and to enter into an agreement to receive a grant titled "Managing Water Resources for Multiple Benefits in the Greater Monterey County Region". <u>RECOMMENDATION:</u>

It is recommended that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency - Planning Committee

Recommend that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Directors adopt a resolution authorizing and directing the General Manager to apply for grant funding from the California Department of Water Resources to obtain a Round 1 Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation Grant in the amount of \$3,462,842.00.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The Water Quality, Supply and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014 (Proposition 1) authorized \$43 million of Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) grant funds for the Central Coast Funding Area. The Central Coast Funding area component regions agreed in 2016 on how to divide the funds up within the funding area. The current grant proposal is approximately half of the implementation funds for the Greater Monterey County IRWM region.

The current IRWM grant proposal consist of 5 projects, with MCWRA being the grant administrator. As grant administrator MCWRA will need to enter in to funding agreements with the sub-awardees who will be responsible for implementing individual projects. The sub-awardees are Castroville Community Services District, Monterey 1 Water, Central Coast Wetlands Group, City of Salinas, Resource Conservation District of Monterey County and the Salinas River Management Unit Association.

Grant Project	Project Proponent	Grant Amount
Grant Administration	MCWRA	\$ 346,284
Emergency Deep Aquifer Supply & Tank Project	Castroville CSD	\$ 395,000
Salinas Storm Water Quality Improvement	M1W/CCWG/Salinas	\$1,129,970
Reoperation of Reservoirs: Decision Support Tool	l MCWRA	\$ 750,000
Farm Nutrient Management and Water Quality	MCDMD	\$ 315,063
Assistance Program		
Salinas River Multi-Benefit Stream	RMU Association/	\$ 526,525
Maintenance and Habitat Stewardship Program	RCDMC	

The application is due in December 2019 with funding expected to be in place mid-2020.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Castroville Community Services District, Monterey 1 Water, Central Coast Wetlands Group, City of Salinas, Resource Conservation District of Monterey County, Salinas River Management Unit Association.

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FINANCING: None

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Attachments: Board Resolution