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TO: Monterey County Legislative Committee

FROM: Ashley S. Walker, Senior Policy Advisor

DATE: February 10, 2025

RE: Strategic Grant Services Program: Grants Update – **AGENDA ITEM #6**

Summary of Recent Program Efforts:

- a. California Public Utilities Commission 1/30/24 Hearing - Last Mile Federal Funding Account**
Applications: Nossaman participated in the CPUC hearing and testified requesting that the Commission award Monterey County FFA Last Mile program funds to Golden State Connect Authority in Round 1.
- b. Climate Bond Implementation Briefing – California Natural Resources Agency:** Nossaman participated in the Natural Resources Agency Proposition 4 briefing. The Agency discussed ways to maximize investments that are multiple benefit focused. They discussed ways to prioritize the most vulnerable communities, and those most underserved. They are preparing draft solicitations so that when the legislature and the Governor settle on the first allocation amounts of climate bond funding they will be ready to the extent they can be to begin implementing programs.
- c. 2024 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE):** The County is applied for Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) program funding for the Davis Road Bridge Replacement and Road Widening Project. The application due date is at the end of January. Nossaman is assisting in gather letters of support from the County's legislative delegation.
- d. San Lucas Drinking Water Project:** Nossaman is evaluating Proposition 4 grant funding opportunities for the San Lucas Drinking Water Project. Additionally, we continue to work with the County's legislative delegation on any state budget or state agency flexible funding that could help finance the project.
- e. Grant Track:** See attached.