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TO: Monterey County Legislative Committee

FROM: Ashley S. Walker, Senior Policy Advisor
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DATE: March 10, 2025

RE: Strategic Grant Services Program: Grants Update

Summary of Recent Program Efforts:

- a. California Public Utilities Commission Hearing - Last Mile Federal Funding Account Applications:** Nossaman testified at the Public Utilities Commission on 1/30/24 in support of funding the Monterey County application, and it was not funded in Round 1. Nossaman will testify again on 3/13/25 in support of future funding. CSAC has filed a letter to the Commission asking they award funds to the south Salinas Valley Broadband Association submitted by the Golden State Connect Authority.
- b. 2024 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE):** The County 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 for round 1 was in January. While the County was not funded, we are pending funding for round 2 in June. Therefore, Nossaman assisted in gathering a second letter of support from Assembly Speaker Robert Rivas.
- c. Congressional Funding Requests – Letters of Support:** The County is working on submitting several applications to its federal delegation for congressionally directed funding. Nossaman is working to gather letters of support of these projects from the County’s state legislative delegation.
- San Lucas Clean Drinking Water
 - Nacimiento and San Antonio Dams and Reservoirs Safety Projects
 - Salinas Skate Park and BMX Pump Track
 - Salinas Regional Soccer Complex
 - County Parks Outdoor Education and Environmental Stewardship Project
 - County Parks Outdoor Accessible and Inclusive Fitness Project
 - Nacimiento Lake Drive Repaving Project
 - Homeless Encampment Resolution - Reclamation Ditch Restoration
- d. San Lucas Drinking Water Project:** There was a community meeting held on March 6 by the State Water Board. The flier states “At this upcoming meeting, the San Lucas Drinking Water Project Team will provide a follow-up to the meeting from August 2024. This includes a discussion on updates to the engineering report, advantages and disadvantages of the potential drinking water solutions, estimated costs and timelines, and the next steps to move forward with a final project.” Additionally, 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.