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TO: Monterey County Legislative Committee

FROM: Ashley S. Walker, Senior Policy Advisor
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DATE: April 13, 2026

RE: Strategic Grant Services Program: Grants Update – **AGENDA ITEM # 5**

Grant Report – Presenter: Ashley Walker (Nossaman LLP):

5. Receive reports, provide direction, and consider positions and/or recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on:
- a. **San Lucas Drinking Water Project:** The FY 25-26 State Budget allocated \$4 million to the San Lucas Drinking Water Project. Nossaman is currently working with the State Water Board to determine the process for beginning to draw down funds allocated from the budget and will work with the County to apply for Proposition 4 grants once solicitations open.
 - b. **Carmel River Floodplain Restoration and Environmental Enhancement Project Update:** Nossaman is participating in discussions regarding FEMA funds for the CRFREE project, and any potential requests for extensions on grant funds for the project. We will continue to be engaged in the matter and enlist assistance from our legislative delegation if needed.
 - c. **Proposition 4 Dam Safety and Climate Resilience Program:** According to the Department of Water Resources, a draft solicitation for projects is anticipated in the next month. There is \$228 million available to be committed to projects by 2028 and expended within the next 2 years. Nossaman will work with the County to ensure we apply.
 - d. **Proposition 4 Administrative Procedures Act (APA) Waiver:** Funding from Proposition 4 that is allocated in the current fiscal year, will not be subject to APA requirement, which means funding will be allocated more quickly than anticipated. Nossaman is monitoring the release of solicitations now that these requirements have been waived.
 - e. **Grant Track:** See attached.