TO: Monterey County Legislative Committee

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

5. Grant Report - Summary of Recent Program Efforts:

- a. San Lucas Drinking Water Project: The SWRCB has made progress with the project and has determined that alternative 4 will be the best path forward. Nossaman will continue to evaluate Proposition 4 grant funding opportunities for the San Lucas Drinking Water Project.
- b. Proposition 4 Climate Resiliency: The Legislature has not allocated funds for Proposition 4 yet. We have been meeting with Members in both Houses advocating that they pass appropriations this session for the climate resilience investments authorized by Proposition 4. We have argued that these appropriations are vital to provide safe drinking water, flood risk reduction, sea level rise protection, and environmental stewardship of creeks and streams. We have been reminding them that the voters passed this Bond and are asking they prioritize these appropriations to secure California's water future and protect vulnerable communities. We have heard that the Senate and the Assembly bot have Proposition 4 spending plans. Consistently in our meetings we have heard positive feedback from Members that this is something they intend to tackle before the end of session. We are optimistic that something will be presented soon.
- c. Grant Track: See attached.