



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: CEO
Department No.: 012
For Agenda Of: September 19, 2017
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: CEO Mona Miyasato, County Executive Officer
 Contact Info: Robert Lewin, Director of Emergency Management
SUBJECT: **FY 2017 Emergency Management Performance Grant Authorization**

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence:

As to form: N/A

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Adopt a Resolution authorizing the County Executive Officer, her Business Manager, and the Director of Emergency Management to apply and enter into a contract to accept the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) with the California Office of Emergency Services in the approximate amount of \$216,594.00 to provide grant funding for emergency management activities in the Santa Barbara Operational Area; and,
- b) Direct staff to return to the Board of Supervisors with the grant as part of the Office of Emergency Management's budget and work program request if the grant is awarded; and,
- c) Determine that the proposed action is related to the creation of a government funding mechanism and other fiscal activities which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment, and is therefore exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guideline section 15378 (b)(4) and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption.

Summary Text:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) provides funding to local jurisdictions to assist with the costs of providing emergency management. FEMA provides this funding through a block grant to the California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) for distribution to Operational Areas. The Operational Area is, by statute, managed through the County and includes all political subdivisions

within County. The recommended action authorizes the Office of Emergency Management to apply for the grant. The Resolution further identifies those persons who are authorized to execute the grant and submit the required quarterly reports. The EMPG Program funding ensures compliance with state and federal emergency management requirements. The funding provides up to one half of the personnel expense for authorized emergency planning staff, and other costs associated in support of emergency management.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

This Resolution allows County OEM to apply for reimbursement claims under the EMPG program subgranted through the State of California (CalOES). The EMPG subgrant is not in addition to the grant, but serves as pass-through funding to the County. The EMPG Program provides partial funding (up to one half the salary and benefits, depending on funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency) for OEM positions. These funds may also be used to provide equipment or supplies to enhance emergency management throughout the Operational Area. The FY 2017-18 allocation is \$216,594. The term of the EMPG is July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Budgeted: Yes. The EMPG funding is included in the department's 2017-18 proposed budgets.

Special Instructions:

Please provide copies of the executed Resolution and the minute order to the Office of Emergency Management; attention Sonia Thompson.

Attachments:

- Attachment A: Resolution accepting the FY 2017 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) providing grant funding for emergency management activities in the Santa Barbara Operational Area.
- Attachment B: Notice of Exemption

Authored by:

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