



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Parks Department
Department No.: 052
For Agenda Of: September 13, 2011
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: 4/5 Vote

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Brian Roney, Interim Parks Director (805) 568-2461
Director(s)
Contact Info: Juan M. Beltranena, Capital Projects Manager (805) 568-2470
SUBJECT: Funding Request for the replacement of the Goleta Beach Lift Station; Second Supervisorial District.

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Purchasing

As to form: N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve the transfer of \$50,000 of previously Committed Fund Balance from Capital Outlay Fund (0030) to Parks Department Capital Projects Fund (0031), for the Goleta Beach Lift Station Replacement project as necessary for health and safety mitigations;
- b) Approve the transfer of \$550,000 of Accumulated Capital Outlay Committed Fund Balance from the General Fund (0001) to the Parks Department Capital Projects Fund (0031), for to the Goleta Beach Lift Station Replacement project as necessary for health and safety mitigations;
- c) Find that the proposed action constitutes replacement or reconstruction of an existing structure and facility located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced, further find that the action is therefore exempt from CEQA pursuant to 14 CCR 15302 (c) and approve the Notice of Exemption; and
- d) Approve the Budget Revision Request No. 0001689 in the amount of \$600,000.00

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Summary Text:

The Goleta Lift Station is over 40 years old and is in need of replacement. The lift station at Goleta Beach manages all the sewer effluent from the park facilities, including the restaurant, the restrooms and the ranger residences. The pumps in the lift station are old and require constant repair. During power failure events, the emergency power needs to be started manually; otherwise the effluent could spill into the Goleta Slough resulting in contamination of an environmentally sensitive habitat area (ESHA). Additionally, the concrete in the lift station's wet-well is deteriorated to the point of failure. Failure of the concrete wet-well could also result in contamination of the estuary.

Replacement of this lift station is considered an urgent project; the age and deteriorated condition of the wet-well itself and pumping and control systems no longer provide reliability of service and could pose a danger to health and safety in the event of failure.

Plans and Specifications for the replacement facility will come to the Board for Approval prior to the project being advertised for bids, and then again for bid award.

Background:

The existing lift station at Goleta Beach is over 40 years old and is in dire need of replacement. The pumps are old and require constant repairs; parts are no longer readily available and have to be manufactured to order. More importantly the concrete in the wet-well has deteriorated from exposure to sulfites in the sewer effluent and the marine environment, to the point of being on the verge of failing.

The Goleta Beach lift station is of strategic importance in that it services the restaurant, restrooms and ranger residences at Goleta Beach Park, the highest used Park in the County. The Department has experienced failures of the existing system and at times has had to run precariously on a lesser capacity backup system. In addition, the existing antiquated lift station has no automatic back up power. The emergency generator is old and needs to be started up manually, as was the case during the GAP fire power outages. If there is no ranger on site during a power outage, the lift station could spill into the Goleta Slough.

The proximity of the existing lift station to the Goleta Slough is also reason for making its timely replacement a high priority; in the event of a system failure, raw sewage could spill into the Goleta Slough –an Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Area (ESHA), and may result in the closure of the restaurant and the Park. Since the Beachside Restaurant is a County concession, it is in the Department's business interest to ensure uninterrupted operation of the restaurant as it provides financial support to the Department.

Based on a preliminary review of the project, the replacement of the existing lift station (publicly owned utility used to provide sewerage) is determined to be exempt from further environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as defined in the State and County Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA. The proposed action consists of the replacement or reconstruction of an existing structure and facility, where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced; the action is therefore exempt from CEQA as a Class 2 Categorically Exempt project pursuant to 14 CCR 15302 (c).

A CEQA Notice of Exemption was filed on 8/19/2011.

Performance Measure:

Remain responsive to the needs of park users by achieving a response of “yes” to the following question on 90% of 350 annual customer satisfaction surveys returned: “Did the quality of your experience in the park meet your expectations?”

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: No

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund	\$ 550,000.00		\$ 550,000.00
State			
Federal			
Fees			
Other: Fund 0030	\$ 50,000.00		\$ 50,000.00
Total	\$ 600,000.00	\$ -	\$ 600,000.00

Narrative: Transfer \$50k of previously Committed Fund Balance from Capital Outlay Fund (0030) to Parks Dept Capital Projects Fund (0031), to the Goleta Beach Lift Station Replacement project as necessary for health and safety mitigations; and transfer \$550k of the Accumulated Capital Outlay Committed Fund Balance from the General Fund (0001) to Parks Dept. Capital Projects Fund (0031), Goleta Beach Lift Station Replacement project as necessary for health and safety mitigations.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:
 N/A

FTEs:
 N/A

Special Instructions:

Please send a certified copy of the minute order to the following:
 Jessica Opland, and Juan M. Beltranena, Parks Department
 Purchasing Agent
 Auditor-Controller

Attachments:

Attachment 1 - CEQA Notice of Exemption
 Attachment 2 – Budget Revision Request 0001689

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