



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Social Services
Department No.: 044
For Agenda Of: May 2, 2023
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Yes

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Daniel Nielson, Social Services Director
Director(s) (805) 346-7101
Contact Info: Luis F. Servin, Executive Director, Workforce Development Board (805) 614-1543
SUBJECT: Agreement with San Luis Obispo County Office of Education for Workforce Development Board Consultant Services

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Department of Social Services Director, or designee, to execute the Agreement with the San Luis Obispo County Office of Education for the Workforce Development Board to receive funds in the amount of \$7,000 to provide consultant services for the period of May 2, 2023 through June 30, 2023; and
- b) Determine that the approval and execution of the Grant Agreement is not the approval of a project that is subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(5), finding that the project is a creation of a governmental funding mechanism or other government fiscal activity, which does not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda in order to approve and authorize the Department of Social Services (DSS) Director, or designee, to execute the Agreement between the Santa Barbara County Workforce Development Board (SBCWDB) and the San Luis Obispo County Office of Education (SLOCOE) for the SBCWDB to receive funds in the amount of \$7,000 to provide consultant services from May 2, 2023 through June 30, 2023. As this Agreement is indemnifying an outside agency, this Agreement is before

the Board of Supervisors for approval. As the consultant, SBCWDB will analyze offshore wind energy development data compiled into a demonstration offshore wind energy project Scoping Project. SBCWDB will assess the Scoping Project draft to provide input on future workforce training opportunities related to apprenticeships, pre-apprenticeships, and other workforce training needs.

Background:

In early 2021, the California Workforce Development Board (CWDB) announce High Road Training Partnership (HRTP) funding for sector-based workforce development projects in several industries and areas that are critical to the state’s strategy for a just recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic and economic crisis while addressing climate change and community resilience.

SLOCOE applied for and was awarded \$600,000 for the High Road to Offshore Wind demonstration project funded by CWDB that aims at expanding offshore wind as an opportunity to provide secure, reliable, and affordable renewable energy while realizing workforce benefits and community economic development in California. The goal of this demonstration project is for industry leaders to create a model for high road labor practices and community engagement at Cierco’s CADEMO project, which is likely to be California’s first operational offshore wind farm.

As described by Cierco, CADEMO is situated off the Santa Barbara County coast, just west of the Vandenberg Space Force Base in California, the CADEMO Floating Offshore Wind Project is a 60 MW demonstration project aimed at kick starting the emergent marine renewable energy sector off the west coast of the United States. The project company CADEMO Corporation aims to have the project operational by 2025-2026, providing a new source of renewable energy for the California market. The project further focus to explore workforce development and local industry opportunities, essential for sustainable and responsible development.

Project Highlights:

- A strong, lasting regional partnership with industry employers, local governments, worker representatives, workforce systems, equity advocates, and other stakeholders that will work together to address industry and workforce needs on an ongoing basis.
- A workforce scoping plan that fills knowledge gaps for offshore wind developers and state policymakers related to areas such as workforce development and supply-chain sourcing.
- In coordination with local trade unions, a negotiated Community Workforce Agreement that provides priority populations access to good jobs via local pre-apprenticeship programs.
- Support to employers, unions, workforce developers, and educational institutions to shape training programs that build a workforce for the offshore wind industry.

Key Partners in the project are:

- San Luis Obispo County Office of Education
- Cierco Corp.
- Tri Counties Building & Construction Trades Council
- IBEW Local 1245
- SLO Partners
- San Luis Obispo Workforce Development Board
- Santa Barbara Workforce Development Board
- Ventura Workforce Development Board

- REACH
- Environment California
- Goodwill Industries of Ventura and Santa Barbara Counties

SLOCOE, as the fiscal agent for the High Road to Offshore Wind demonstration project, are retaining services from the SBCWDB to analyze the offshore wind energy development data compiled into a demonstration offshore wind energy project Scoping Project draft by Cierco Wind Energy Company, DEME, Saitec Offshore Technologies, SBC Offshore, and California Polytechnic State University research teams. SBCWDB input is specific to the future workforce training opportunities related to apprenticeships, pre-apprenticeships, and other workforce training needs associated to this project.

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			
State	\$ 7,000.00		
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 7,000.00	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative:

The SBCWDB will receive one-time funding of \$7,000 from SLOCOE. There is no General Fund Contribution.

Staffing Impacts:

<u>Legal Positions:</u>	<u>FTEs:</u>
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Special Instructions:

Please scan, email and send one (1) copy of the minute order to:
 DSS Contracts Unit
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Attachments:

1. Attachment 1 – SLOCOE Agreement – SBCWDB Consultant Services

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