



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Public Health
Department No.: 041
For Agenda Of: September 2, 2014
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Select_From Takashi Wada, MD, MPH, Director and Health Officer
Public Health Department
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Interim Director Emergency Medical Services Agency
SUBJECT: Public Health Pandemic and Emergency Preparedness Planning Grant

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors considers the following recommendations regarding public health emergency preparedness planning:

- a) Approve and authorize the Public Health Department Director to execute Agreement No. 14-10413, including Lobbying Certificate (Exhibit D(F)) and Non-Supplantation Certification (Exhibit E), with California Department of Public Health Emergency Preparedness Office for 2014-17 CDC Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP), State General Fund (GF) Pandemic Influenza, and HHS Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) funding in a total amount, not to exceed \$1,887,942.
- b) Authorize the Public Health Department Director to execute amendments to Agreement No. 14-10413 to amend the financial year individual fund limits to allow unexpended funds from a financial year to be carried forward to subsequent financial years.
- c) Determine that these activities are exempt from California Environmental Quality Act review per CEQA Guideline Section 15378(b)(4), since the recommended actions are government fiscal activities which do not involve commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

Summary Text: Upon your Board's approval, the Public Health Department will accept a comprehensive grant for \$1,887,942 for public health, pandemic, and hospital emergency preparedness. This agreement includes the CDC Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP), State General Fund (GF) Pandemic Influenza, and HSS Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP).

Background:

Beginning in 2002, PHD received funds to prepare the local health care community to respond to bioterrorism and terrorism, infectious disease, natural disasters, and other public health threats and emergencies. This funding was authorized by Congress through the Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund (Section 319 of the Public Health Services Act, 42 U.S.C. 247d) for countering potential biological threats to the civilian population. It was provided for under the Department of Defense and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Recovery from and Response to Terrorist Attacks on the United States Act, 2002 (Public Law 107-117).

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) administers this funding to states for public health preparedness. The Assistant Secretary for Prevention and Response (ASPR) awards the Hospital Preparedness Program grant to develop and maintain disaster preparedness of the local healthcare system.

Beginning in the FY 2006-07, the state’s “California General Fund Pandemic Influenza Funds” provided additional annual funding to county health departments to prepare for pandemic influenza.

The agreement includes a budget and scope of work for grant activities. The scope of work is based on federal capability standards for disaster planning, personnel, equipment, training, exercises, and healthcare coalition development. In the scope of work there are 15 PHEP capabilities for health departments, 8 HPP capabilities for the local healthcare system, disaster healthcare coalition, and healthcare organization preparedness, and 1 capability for Pandemic Influenza Preparedness. The checkboxes in the work plan indicate the items that are to be completed during the current fiscal year.

This grant agreement combines funding from three (3) state and federal agencies as outlined below:

Grant	Allocation	Funding Source	Period	Amount	Grant Purpose
1. Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP)	Base Allocation	Centers for Disease Control (CDC)	7/1/14 thru 6/30/17	\$1,015,521	Increase ability of health departments to identify and respond to bioterrorism, infectious disease, natural disasters, and other public health emergencies.
2. Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP)	Base Allocation	Assistant Secretary for Prevention and Response	7/1/14 to 6/30/17	\$649,026	Increase surge capacity of hospitals to triage and treat patients in bioterrorism, pandemic influenza, and other medical emergencies. Implement a disaster healthcare coalition to plan for disasters with all partners.
3. Pandemic Influenza Preparedness	Local Funding	State General Fund	7/1/14 to 6/30/17	\$223,395	Prepare health departments to respond to pandemic influenza by meeting specific objectives set by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH).
TOTAL				\$1,887,942	

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes **Fiscal Analysis:**

Funding Sources	Current FY Cost:	Annualized On-going Cost:	Total One-Time Project Cost
General Fund			
State			
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative:

The Board is requested to authorize the Public Health Director to execute this agreement for the 2014-17 fiscal years. It includes: CDC Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP), State General Fund (GF) Pandemic Influenza, and Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) in an amount not to exceed \$1,887,942. For the Fiscal Year 2014-15, the allotment of \$629,314 is included as part of the adopted Public Health Department budget. There is no increase in the use of the County’s General Fund resources as a result of executing this agreement.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:
N/A

FTEs:
N/A

Special Instructions:

Please return one (1) certified electronic Minute Order to phdcu@sbcphd.org.

Attachments:

Agreement No. 14-10413 with California Department of Public Health

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