



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

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Supervisors
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Agenda Number:

**Submitted on:
(COB Stamp)**

Department Name: Planning &
Development
Department No.: 053
For Agenda Of: November 3, 2015
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Planning and Development
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SUBJECT: Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund (CREF) Grant Contract – Dunes Center Exhibits,
Third District

County Counsel Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Authorizes the Chair to execute the attached Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund (CREF) contract with the Guadalupe-Nipomo Dunes Center, in the amount of \$76,000, to fabricate four new exhibits and create a community space, Third Supervisorial District (Attachment A).
- B. Determine that the allocation of the CREF grant for the Guadalupe-Nipomo Dunes Center exhibits is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Sections 15301(a) and 15304 (b) of the State Guidelines for the implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (Attachment B).

Summary Text:

The Guadalupe-Nipomo Dunes Center would use the \$76,000 Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund (CREF) grant to fabricate and install four new exhibits for the Guadalupe-Dunes Center in the City of Guadalupe. The exhibits range from informing visitors on the history and people in the past that lived near the Guadalupe

Dunes to the strata of sand layers and various fish and amphibians, insects and reptiles of the region. The money would also fund native landscaping at a community space next to the Guadalupe-Nipomo Dunes Center. The Contract in Attachment A authorizes distribution of the grant for these activities.

The project would be exempt from further environmental review requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as defined in Section 15301(a) – Existing Facilities - interior or exterior alterations – and Section 15304 (b) – Minor Alterations to Land - new gardening or landscaping – in the State Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA (Attachment B).

Background:

At the May 5, 2015 Board of Supervisors hearing, the Board of Supervisors awarded seven Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund (CREF) grants from the 2015 CREF cycle, including the subject grant to the Guadalupe-Nipomo Dunes Center.

Mitigation of impacts to coastal resources from offshore oil and gas development is required as a condition of approval on three projects, Point Arguello, Point Pedernales, and Santa Ynez Unit. Mitigation is provided through the Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund.

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Grants Costs</u>
General Fund			
State			
Federal			
Fees			
Other: CREF			\$ 76,000.00
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 76,000.00

No fiscal and facilities impacts. The Dunes Center Exhibit Project does not involve County property or ongoing costs. Funding for this project is budgeted on page D-291 of the FY 2015-16 budget in the Coastal Mitigation Budget Program, and is fully supported by funds in the Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund. CREF is funded by annual mitigation fees paid by developers of offshore oil and gas reserves.

Key Contract Risks:

A risk analysis was performed for the proposed contract and was determined to be of low risk: the contract amount is less than \$100,000; the performance period is less than two years; the complexities of the contract requirements are low; and the contract is not controversial.

Special Instructions:

Clerk of the Board will forward a copy of the contract to Kathy Pfeifer of the Planning and Development Department, Energy & Minerals Division, who will mail a copy of the contract to the grantee and request the Auditor Controller to pay the award.

Attachment:

- A. Contract with the Guadalupe-Nipomo Dunes Center
- B. Notice of Exemption

Attachment A

Contract with the Guadalupe-Nipomo Dunes Center

Attachment B

Notice of Exemption