

# SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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**Agenda Number:**  
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**Department Name:** Public Health  
**Department No.:** 041  
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**If Yes, date from:**

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Roger E. Heroux, MPA  
Director, Public Health Department

**STAFF CONTACT:** David Brummond, Environmental Health Services  
346-7348

**SUBJECT:** Resolution Authorizing an Enforcement Assistance Grant Application Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 43230

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## **Recommendation(s):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve the attached Resolution authorizing the Director of the Environmental Health Services Division of the Public Health Department to apply for Enforcement Assistance Grants in the amounts of approximately \$22,400 per year for Fiscal Years 2004/2005 thru 2008/2009 from the California Integrated Waste Management Board.
- B. Authorize the Director of Environmental Health Services to execute the Enforcement Assistance Grants with the California Integrated Waste Management Board for the approximate amounts of \$22,400 for each fiscal year through 2009.

## **Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:**

These recommendations are primarily aligned with Goal No. 2: A Safe and Healthy Community in Which to Live and Visit; and with Goal No. 3: a Strong, Professionally Managed County Organization.

## **Executive Summary and Discussion:**

Environmental Health Services is the designated Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) for solid waste issues in Santa Barbara County. Since 1991, Environmental Health Services has received an annual grant from the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) to assist in carrying out enforcement duties of the LEA program. The grant application package is now available and the deadline for submitting applications is May 30, 2004. Your Board has approved previous resolutions authorizing Environmental Health Services to apply for this supplemental funding.

In past years, the California Integrated Waste Management Board has required a new authorizing resolution for each grant cycle. This has been changed so that now a single authorizing resolution may be used for up to five grant cycles.

Consequently, Environmental Health Services is requesting the authority to apply for the grant in each of the next five grant cycles (FY 2004/05 – FY 2008/09).

The grant amount for FY 2004/2005 and the subsequent four years will be approximately \$22,400 per year. These additional funds will be used to purchase and maintain computers and field equipment such as landfill gas monitors, to provide ongoing training required by State law for LEA staff, to partially offset staff salaries and for professional contract services for special projects.

There is a projected increase in overall program design and effectiveness associated with acceptance of these funds. Equipment purchases will be used to ensure that permitted facilities comply with State minimum standards. If determined to be necessary, a consultant may be hired to assist with short-term projects such as permit application review or annual updating of the State-mandated Enforcement Program Plan.

**Mandates and Service Levels:**

Section 43209 of the Public Resources Code (PRC) outlines the duties of the Local Enforcement Agency. Section 43209 (e) specifies that the LEA must establish and maintain an enforcement program that is consistent with the regulations contained in Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations beginning with section 17200, as well as those found in Title 27 of the California Code of Regulations, commencing with section 20005.

The Enforcement Assistance Grant Program was established under the statutory authority of Section 43230 of the Public Resources Code. The money dispersed by this program is intended to help the LEA carry out the solid waste facilities permit and inspection programs.

There is no change in service levels.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

The Enforcement Assistance Grant may be used to supplement, not supplant the Local Enforcement Agency's solid waste program budget. Because of this, the Grant funds may only be used for direct costs. The Environmental Health Services Division of the Public Health Department is primarily funded by fees. Indirect and County A87 Plan costs are calculated into Solid Waste Program fees and therefore are not included in this grant application. The \$22,400 was included in the Public Health Department's FY 04-05 Recommended Budget. Likewise, future grant monies will also be included in the recommended departmental budgets.

Approval of this request will not result in a need for any additional facilities.

**Special Instructions:**

Please forward a copy of the signed Resolution and a copy of the minute order to Margaret A. Granger, PHD Contracts Unit, 300 N. San Antonio Road, Santa Barbara, 93110.