



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: General Services
Department No.: 063
For Agenda Of: December 9, 2008
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Directors, Water Agency

FROM: Department Bob Nisbet, Director (560-1011)
Director(s) General Services Department

Contact Info: Paddy Langlands, Assistant Director (568-3096)
Support Services Division

SUBJECT: Leases for Meteorological Monitoring and Related Equipment at Reagan's Ranch and Gibraltar Peak; First and Third Supervisorial Districts

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 Directors:

(a) Approve the original and duplicate original First Amendment to Site Use Agreement No. 5015 (Gibraltar Peak) for the Water Agency's lease of a portion of APN 153-280-021 from Community Radio, Inc. for meteorological monitoring and related equipment, a one (1) year term and \$1,200.00 annual rent; and

(b) Approve the original and duplicate original First Amendment to Lease Agreement for Monitoring and Generator Station for the Water Agency's lease of a portion of APN 081-040-042 (Reagan's Ranch) from Young America's Foundation, Inc. for meteorological monitoring and related equipment, a one (1) year term and \$1,200.00 annual rent.

Summary Text:

The attached amendments allow the Santa Barbara County Water Agency to continue to operate two (2) sites utilizing meteorological monitoring and cloud seeding equipment by extending the existing lease terms. The amendment for the site at Reagan's Ranch extends the lease term for one (1) year and provides for five (5) options of one (1) year each. The amendment for the site at Gibraltar Peak extends

the term for one year and provides for annual extensions thereafter. Rent for each of the sites is \$100 per month, paid in two (2) semiannual installments of six hundred dollars (\$600) each.

Background:

On October 14, 2008, the Board of Directors approved the 2008-2009 cloud seeding program for the period of October 14, 2008, through June 20, 2009. The Board of Directors also concurred with the Planning and Development Department’s finding that CEQA Section 15164 is applicable to 00-ND-29 and that the document is adequate to meet the requirements of CEQA for the Santa Barbara County-Twitchell Reservoir Cloud Seeding Program.

This year’s program targets only drainages located in San Luis Obispo County which will augment runoff into Twitchell Reservoir. No seeding will be conducted this year in the Santa Ynez Watershed as it has not substantially recovered from the Zaca Fire.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

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 | | | |
| Federal | | | |
| Fees | | | |
| Water Agency | \$ 2,400.00 | | |
| Total | \$ 2,400.00 | \$ - | \$ - |

Narrative: The program cost continues to be a 50/50 cost share between the Water Agency and local water districts, with the Water Agency providing administration of the project. This arrangement is considered equitable because the areas in the county located outside of water districts’ service areas derive a significant benefit from the cloud seeding program.

The cloud seeding program was included in the 2008-09 Adopted Budget under the Water Agency cost center of the Water Resources Division of the Public Works Department as identified on Page D-336 in the budget book.

Special Instructions:

After Board action, please distribute as follows:

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Original Leases 2. Duplicate orig. Leases and Minute Orders 3. Copy of Leases and Minute Orders | Clerk of the Board’s File General Services, Office of Real Estate Services, Attn: Harrison Heyl Public Works, Water Agency, Attn: Dennis Gibbs |
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Attachments:

First Amendment to Site Use Agreement No. 5015 (Gibraltar Peak)
First Amendment to Lease Agreement for Monitoring and Generator Station

Authored by:

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cc:

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