



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Public Works
Department No.: 054
For Agenda Of: May 2, 2023
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Scott D. McGolpin, P.E., Director, (805) 568-3010
Director:
Contact Info: Martin Wilder, P.E., Interim Deputy Director, (805) 882-3605
SUBJECT: Resolution for CalRecycle HD Household Hazardous Waste Grant Program
Application; All Supervisorial Districts

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form:

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Adopt the attached resolution to authorize the submittal of annual applications for the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery's HD Household Hazardous Waste Grant Program effective for five (5) years from the date of adoption of this resolution; and
- b) Find that the proposed resolution does not constitute a "Project" within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act, pursuant to 14 CCR 15378 (b)(5) (administrative activity of government) and 14 CCR 15378(b)(4) (government fiscal activity).

Summary Text:

The Resource Recovery and Waste Management Division of the Public Works Department proposes to submit annual applications to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) for funding under the HD Household Hazardous Waste Grant Program. The amount of available funding varies each year but has historically ranged from \$50,000 to \$250,000, dependent on the funding available in each grant cycle and the type of application (i.e. individual or regional). The funding will be used to help support small projects that complement the County's existing Community Hazardous Waste Collection Center, located on the University of California, Santa Barbara campus.

Background:

CalRecycle offers grants to provide opportunities for local California governments to implement safe Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) programs for collection, public education, source reduction, reuse, and/or recycling of HHW. The competitive HHW grants fall within two categories: the first is designed to fund construction projects that establish new or expand existing HHW programs in California; the second is designed for smaller projects that complement existing and/or regional HHW programs in California. Resource Recovery and Waste Management Division (RRWMD) staff have historically applied for grant funding that supports small projects, such as with grant cycles HD35 and HD37, and plan to continue applying annually for similar projects.

RRWMD was awarded an HD35 grant during fiscal year (FY) 2021-2022 to improve the Materials Reuse Program at the Community Hazardous Waste Collection Center (CHWCC). The Materials Reuse Program was developed to help reduce the amount of usable products being disposed of at the CHWCC. Good quality materials such as paints, cleaning supplies, pesticides, and home improvement products that are dropped off by community members and businesses are made available to others at no charge. This program helps reduce the amount of hazardous waste being disposed and also reduces disposal costs. HD35 grant funding enabled the purchase of cabinets to increase capacity to store program items; signage and educational sandwich boards; and computer tablets to improve recordkeeping.

Additionally, RRWMD recently received an HD37 grant to support battery recycling education and awareness efforts. The grant funded a comprehensive local advertising campaign and new outreach materials to raise awareness of the safety hazards associated with improperly disposed batteries.

Performance Measure:

While the specific requirements of future grant cycles are unknown at this time, CalRecycle's grants generally require regular progress reports and a final report at the end of the grant term.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

Narrative: These grants will provide funding to help support small projects that complement the County's existing Community Hazardous Waste Collection Center program. The funds are eligible to be spent only during the grant term, and will likely be allocated to the following accounts:

Fund Number: 1930

Department Number: 054

Program Number: 1950

Account Number: 7120, 7121, 7460, 7530

Key Contract Risks:

N/A

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

FTEs:

This resolution will not result in any new staffing impacts.

Special Instructions:

Please return a copy of the signed Resolution to Tori Kampmann in the Public Works Department, Resource Recovery and Waste Management Division.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Santa Barbara County Resolution for CalRecycle HD Household Hazardous Waste Grant Program Funding

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