



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Community Services
Department No.: 052
For Agenda Of: January 20, 2015
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from: N/A
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Renée E. Bahl, Interim Community Services Director (805)568-2467
Director:
Contact Info: Jill Van Wie, Manager, Capital Projects (805) 568-2470
SUBJECT: Grant Application to California State Parks Office of Grants and Local Services
Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) for Jalama Beach Restroom
Replacement Project; Third Supervisorial District

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form: N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Authorize the Director of the Community Services Department, or designee, to apply for a Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grant from the California State Parks Office of Grants and Local Services, for the Jalama Beach Restroom Replacement Project; and
- b) Approve and authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the attached Resolution Approving the Application for LWCF for the Jalama Beach Restroom Replacement Project (Attachment 1); and
- c) Authorize the Director of Community Services Department, Parks Division, or designee, to execute and submit the grant application and contract, in a form substantially similar to the attached LWCF draft contract (Attachment 2) and upon review and concurrence of County Counsel, Auditor-Controller, and Risk Manager or their designee if the LWCF grant is awarded; and
- d) Determine that the submission of the grant application and resolution is not the approval of a project that is subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(4), finding that the action is a creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities which do not involved

any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant impact on the environment, and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption (Attachment 3).

Summary Text:

Submission of the LWCF grant application would assist in providing funding for necessary facility, fixture and ADA access improvements to the existing restrooms at Jalama Beach, and would further serve to benefit the public by improving the standard of quality of the restroom facilities.

Background:

Once a Chumash Indian settlement named “Halama”, 23 acres of privately owned land was donated to the County of Santa Barbara in 1943, and Jalama Beach County Park was formed. Located directly on the Pacific Coast, the park is located near the City of Lompoc, and is one of the only overnight beach parks accessible to mid and North County residents. The park serves over 200,000 visitors a year, and aside from direct beach access provides day use services such as picnic areas with raised fireboxes and overnight services with 109 campsites and cabins all either beachfront or overlooking the ocean.

A grocery store and Grill are available to all visitors as are hot showers and a total of five (5) restroom facilities, two of which are larger in size each containing a total of four stalls, and three of which are smaller in size each containing a total of two stalls. The restroom facilities need to be replaced as a result of deteriorating facilities and fixtures and in order to meet the updated Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards. The restroom facilities will be made more energy efficient by installing elements such as water conserving fixtures, hand driers and water heaters.

Santa Barbara County Parks Division plans to seek approximately \$800,000 in funding through this grant opportunity to replace the existing restrooms at Jalama Beach. As a required minimum 50% match to the LWCF grant, Development Mitigation Fees are being utilized for the replacement of two small restrooms, and a Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund (CREF) award was granted in 2014 for the replacement of one of the large restroom facilities. If the grant is awarded, replacement of the remaining two restrooms will be funded.

Risk:

Not applying for or receiving a grant is a lost opportunity to provide necessary facility improvements to all five of the existing Jalama Beach Restrooms.

Upon receipt of the LWCF award, the County will be held to Section 6(f)(3) of Public Law 88-578 which states that no property developed with assistance shall, without the approval of the National Secretary of the Interior, be converted to other than public outdoor recreation uses. The Secretary shall approve such conversion only if it is found to be in accord with the then existing comprehensive statewide outdoor recreation plan and only upon such conditions as deemed necessary to assure the substitution of other recreation properties of at least equal fair market value and of reasonable equivalent usefulness and location.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

The LWCF grant match will come from two funds already allocated toward capital improvement projects at Jalama: CREF funds in the amount of \$280,000, and a portion of the \$1,395,000 Development Mitigation Fees designated for the Jalama Beach Affordable Overnight Accommodations.

Attachments:

Attachment 1: Resolution Approving the Application for Land and Water Conservation Fund Jalama Beach Restroom Replacement Project

Attachment 2: Draft LWCF Grant Contract

Attachment 3: CEQA Notice of Exemption

Special Instructions:

After Board action, please distribute the Resolution and Minute Order to Jill Van Wie, Community Services Department, Parks Division.