

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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TO: Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Barbara

FROM: Phillip M. Demery
Public Works Director

STAFF CONTACT: Thomas Fayram, Deputy Public Works Director
Robert Almy, Water Agency Manager, Ext. 3545

SUBJECT: **Adopt a Resolution to Receive Grant Funding to Improve the Gobernador Debris Basin Outlet works, First Supervisorial District**

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Adopt the attached Resolution to accept the terms and conditions of the Grant Agreement (Contract #P0450015) with the California Department of Fish and Game to receive grant funding to modify the Gobernador Debris Basin to improve the outlet works for better performance of the basin as a flood control facility and allow fish passage; and
- B. Authorize the Public Works Director to enter into the Grant Agreement (Contract #P0450015) and all other subsequent agreements or amendments to receive up to \$156,805 in funding for the project.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

[These recommendations are aligned with Goal No. 5: Maintain and Enhance the Quality of Life for all Residents.](#)

Executive Summary and Discussion:

The Gobernador Debris Basin was constructed by the US Army Corps of Engineers on Gobernador Creek in 1971 after the Romero Fire to protect downstream landowners and resources. Although effective in controlling debris, the structure accumulates large amounts of fine sediment increasing the need for maintenance and higher costs. In addition, the design of the basin restricts up-stream migration by fish. The Santa Barbara County Flood Control District has worked cooperatively with federal, state and local government agencies, and non-governmental organizations to develop a multi-objective design for modification of the facility to address these two issues.

The California Departmental of Fish and Game has approved grant funding in the amount of \$156,805 to the County of Santa Barbara pursuant to Fish and Game Code Section 1501.5 (b) to retrofit the Gobernador Debris Basin. The attached Resolution approves acceptance of the Grant and authorizes the Public Works Director to execute the California Department of Fish and Game Agreement and all subsequent agreements or amendments to receive grant monies.

Mandates and Service Levels:

The Gobernador Debris Basin is an existing improved flood control facility. On going maintenance is required, thus there is no change in mandates or service levels.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Funding from this grant is included in the 2005-06 Budget under the Water Agency cost center of the Water Resources Division of the Public Works Department. Completion of the project will reduce ongoing maintenance costs into the future.

Special Instructions:

Direct the Clerk of the Board to send a copy of the resolution and minute order to the Water Agency office, Attn: Christina Lopez

Concurrence: County Counsel, Auditor Controller