



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

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TO: Board of Supervisors
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SUBJECT: Candidate Projects for Coastal Impact Assistance Funds – 2008-2011

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form: Select_Concurrence

Recommended Actions:

Authorize the Chair to execute the attached Resolution and submit the County's proposed list of projects for inclusion in the California Coastal Impact Assistance Plan grant funding.

Summary Text:

The Federal government has re-established the Coastal Impact Assistance Program (CIAP). This program will direct offshore oil and gas royalties to six coastal states over a period of four years. Thirty-five percent of each state's share will be distributed directly to their coastal political subdivisions (e.g., coastal counties or parishes). Santa Barbara County's share is estimated at \$867,492 annually for a four year total of \$3,469,968.

As a first step, each state compiles a Coastal Impact Assistance Plan that lists projects proposed for funding under CIAP, and certifies that these projects meet the authorized uses of CIAP. The U.S. Department of the Interior, Minerals Management Service, will enter into individual grant agreements

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

with each recipient after determining that the list of projects meets the authorized uses of CIAP. The Minerals Management Service encourages recipients to develop two lists of projects in their Coastal Impact Assistance Plans to reduce the need to process major amendments to the plan following initial approval. The Tier 1 list would contain each recipient’s first string of projects proposed for funding, and would equal the amount of CIAP funds available to the recipient. The Tier 2 list would contain second-string projects that the recipient would substitute for any Tier 1 project that ultimately does not move forward, or is completed for less money than budgeted. After approval of the lists, recipients may shift CIAP funds between projects via a minor amendment. The County is under no obligation to list Tier 2 projects, and could still shift funds to another project via a major amendment, which would require approval by the State and a public hearing.

CIAP authorizes the following uses of these funds:

1. Projects and activities for the conservation, protection, or restoration of coastal areas, including wetland.
2. Mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife, or natural resources.
3. Planning assistance and the administrative costs of complying with this section.
4. Implementation of a federally approved marine, coastal, or comprehensive conservation management plan.
5. Mitigation of the impact of Outer Continental Shelf activities through funding of onshore infrastructure projects and public service needs (restricted to 23% of each state’s allocation).

Governor Schwarzenegger has charged the California Resources Agency with the task of preparing California Coastal Impact Assistance Plan. The Resources Agency asks each recipient county to transmit its proposed CIAP funding request via a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors. In consultation with the County Executive Office, staff from Public Works, Parks, the Agricultural Commissioner’s office, and Planning and Development are recommending the following list of nine projects for CIAP funding. Descriptions of each of these projects, along with a recommended list of Tier 2 projects, appear in Attachment A of this report.

Recommended Tier 1 CIAP Projects

Tier 1 Project	Dept.	CIAP Request	Authorized Use
Pt. Sal Access – Engineering Study	Parks	\$ 464,827	1
Business Target Pollution Reduction	PW	100,000	1 & 2
Education Coastal Areas	PW	72,000	1 & 2
Creek Signage and Targeted Mailing	PW	12,000	1 & 2
Public Opinion Survey	PW	50,000	1 & 2
Santa Claus Lane Beach Access	Parks	450,000	1
Goleta Beach Park Beach Access/Recreational Enhancement	Parks	1,924,822	1
Jalama Beach Improvements	Parks	296,319	1
Santa Ynez River Restoration	Ag. Comm.	100,000	1 & 2
		3,469,968	

Background: Section 384 of the U.S. Energy Policy Act of 2005 established the Coastal Impact Assistance Program for the purpose of sharing \$250 million annually of Federal oil and gas royalties

with six coastal states impacted by offshore oil and gas development over a period of four years. Thirty-five percent of each state's share goes directly to coastal political subdivisions, based on a formula that takes into account coastal population, shoreline miles, and proximity to oil and gas leases on the Outer Continental Shelf. A copy of Section 384, along with tables illustrating allocation of CIAP funds for the first two years, is included in Attachment B.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts: Budgeted: Some funds are budgeted and some are not.

Fiscal Analysis:

CIAP Tier 1 Project	Total Estimated Project Cost	Secured Funds	Requested CIAP Funds	Potential Other Grants	Potential Remaining Funds Needed
Pt. Sal Access – Engineering Study	\$ 5,085,807		\$ 464,827		\$ 4,620,980
Business Target Pollutant Reduction	120,000		100,000		20,000 ¹
Education Coastal Areas	80,000		72,000		8,000 ¹
Creek Signage & Targeted Mailing	20,000		12,000		8,000 ¹
Public Opinion Survey	55,000		50,000		5,000 ¹
Santa Claus Lane Beach Access	2,750,000		450,000		2,300,000
Goleta Beach Access and Recreation Enhancement	9,732,000	2,215,000 ²	1,808,822	3,800,000 ³	1,908,178
Jalama Beach Improvements	350,000		296,319	53,681 ⁴	
Santa Ynez River Restoration	200,000	3,300 ⁵	100,000	96,700 ⁶	
	16,203,807	2,218,300	3,469,968	3,950,381	8,865,158

As shown in the foregoing table, all Tier 1 projects would require other funds to complete. Some of these added funds are already available (e.g., mitigation funds from Department of Fish and Game for

¹ General Fund.

² Federal Emergency Management Agency \$1.6 million, U.S. Army Corp of Engineers \$.615 million.

³ U.S. Army Corps of Engineers \$3 million, Federal Emergency Management Agency \$.8 million.

⁴ Quimby funds and/or Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund.

⁵ Mitigation funds.

⁶ Integrated Regional Watershed Management Plan funds.

Santa Ynez River restoration), some would be sought from external funding sources (California Coastal Conservancy), and some would be sought from internal sources (e.g., CREF, General Fund).

Special Instructions:

Clerk of the Board will forward the executed Resolution to Doug Anthony for submittal to the California Resources Agency

Attachments:

Attachment A: Draft Resolution of the Board of Supervisors

Attachment B: U.S. Energy Policy Act of 2005, Section 384

Authored by:

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cc: