



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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Department Name:  
Department No.: 054  
For Agenda Of: 03/27/07  
Placement: Administrative  
Estimated Tme:  
Continued Item: No  
If Yes, date from:  
Vote Required: Majority

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**TO:** Board of Directors, Flood Control and Water Conservation District

**FROM:** Department Phillip M. Demery, Public Works Director, 568-3010  
Director(s)  
Contact Info: Thomas D. Fayram, Deputy Public Works Director, 568-3436

**SUBJECT: Grant Applications for Propositions 84 and 1E**

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: N/A

**Other Concurrence:** N/A

As to form: No

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: N/A

**Recommended Actions:**

- a) Authorize the Flood Control District to make grant applications for flood control funding to the State Department of Water Resources through Propositions 84 and 1E for any applicable projects on the County's Capital Improvement Program including the Lower Mission Creek and the Santa Maria River Levee Projects; and
- b) Authorize the Public Works Director or his designee to execute all grant agreements and subsequent amendments with the State of California to receive grant funding or to return to the Board for approval as appropriate.

**Summary Text:**

In November 2006, voters approved nearly \$5 billion in new bond funding for flood control projects, levee repairs, and Delta improvement and stormwater grants. Proposition 84 and 1E allocates funding for categories specifically for flood control programs and projects. The distribution of these bond funds will be administered through the Department of Water Resources (DWR).

DWR has recently held workshops throughout the State to inform local agencies of the availability of funds through Proposition 84 and 1E and what programs and projects may qualify for funding. DWR is currently developing the application requirements and timelines for applications. These application windows may require fast turn around times beginning as soon as this spring, and carrying on for the next several years.

Through the initial review of the information from DWR, it appears that both the Santa Maria River Levee and Lower Mission Creek Projects could compete for funding through these grants. Staff will also work with DWR on identifying other projects in the County’s Capital Improvement Program that may compete for Proposition 84 and 1E funding. For projects within City limits that qualify to apply for these grants, staff will work with the affected cities on the grant applications as appropriate.

**Background:**

The State of California, in response to an aging flood system, a growing population, and a changing climate has developed a strategic initiative called Flood Safe California to improve flood protection and public safety. The initiative builds upon the State's ongoing flood management work, especially progress made over the past two years for levee repairs, improved maintenance, emergency response and sustainable funding.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: No

**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			
Other:			
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative:

If grant applications are approved, the Flood Control District will return to the Board with a budget revision to accept grant funding from the State of California. The Lower Mission Creek and the Santa Maria River Levee project are included in the County’s Capital Improvement Program on pages B-74 and B-81.

**Staffing Impacts:**

**Legal Positions:**

**FTEs:**

**Special Instructions:**

Direct the Clerk of the Board to send a copy of the minute order of these actions to the Flood Control District office, Attn: Christina Lopez.

**Authored by:** Thomas D. Fayram, Deputy Public Works Director, 568-3436

**cc:**