

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: March 15, 2016
Placement: Administrative

Estimated Time:

Continued Item: N_O

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Director: Scott D. McGolpin, Public Works, 568-3010

Contact Info: Chris Sneddon, Deputy Director, Transportation, 568-3064

SUBJECT: Authorizing the Submittal of an Application for a CalRecycle Tire-Derived Aggregate

Grant

County Counsel Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes As to form: N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Adopt the attached Resolution (Attachment A) to establish authority to submit an application to State of California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) for a Tire-Derived Aggregate Grant;
- b) Authorize the Director of Public Works or designee to execute in the name of the County of Santa Barbara any grant documents, including but not limited to, applications, agreements, amendments and requests for payment, necessary to secure grant funds and implement the approved grant project;
- c) Establish that this authorization is effective for five (5) years from the date of adoption of the attached Resolution; and
- d) Find that the proposed action does not constitute a "Project" within the meaning of California Environmental Quality Act, pursuant to 14 CCR 15378(b) (4) (The creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.), and approve and direct staff to file the attached Notice of Exemption on that basis.

Summary Text:

The County is currently seeking from the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) grant funding for the use of Tire-Derived Aggregate (TDA) in a lightweight fill application. TDA, which is produced from shredded tires, is lightweight, free-draining, and a less expensive alternative to conventional lightweight aggregates.

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As a condition of applying for TDA grant funds, CalRecycle (State) requires local jurisdictions to comply with all conditions and requirements set forth in the attached Resolution, to give authorization to apply for the grant, and to designate an authorized individual to execute said grant application documents, including agreements, amendments and requests for payment. In Fiscal Year (FY) 2016/2017, the County will be eligible to receive up to approximately \$120,000 in TDA grant funding. The funds are proposed for use in reconstructing approximately 250-feet of failing roadway and embankment fill along Ortega Ridge Road, near the community of Summerland.

This action is solely to secure funding and therefore is not a project under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Any projects funded by this grant money will be analyzed separately for compliance with CEQA.

Background:

CalRecycle annually provides grant funding opportunities to promote the use of recycled materials or otherwise divert materials from landfills. The CalRecycle TDA grant program provides funding opportunities to divert waste tires from landfill disposal, prevent illegal tire dumping, and promote markets for recycled-content tire products. The TDA Grant Program funds a variety of use of material categories, including lightweight fill, vibration mitigation, low impact development and storm water management, as well as landfill applications. The TDA Grant Program also provides assistance to civil engineers in solving a variety of engineering challenges by using TDA. In addition to the TDA grant funding, the Public Works Department may return to your Board in the future to seek authorization to apply for grant funding from CalRecycle for other community programs such as to divert waste from landfills, and encourage the re-use of materials.

Each grant applicant must submit an executed Resolution of Authority in order to be eligible to receive this funding. The attached Resolution ensures compliance with all conditions and requirements of the CalRecycle Grant Program and authorizes the Public Works Director to execute all required documents of the CalRecycle grant program.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

All grant proceeds awarded through this application, totaling up to \$120,000 from the CalRecycle TDA Grant Program will be utilized in FY 2016/2017, or subsequent fiscal years.

Special Instructions:

Please provide a certified stamped minute order and one copy of the executed Resolution to Blair Gilbertson, Public Works Transportation Administration, ext. 3064.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Resolution Authorizing Submittal of Applications for All CalRecycle Grants

Attachment B: Notice of Exemption

Attachment C: Procedures and Requirements, Tire-Derived Aggregate Grant Program, FY 2015-16

Attachment D: Terms and Conditions, Tire-Derived Aggregate Grant Program, FY 2015-16

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