

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

**Agenda Number:** 

# Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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**Department Name:** Planning and

Development

Department No.: 053

For Agenda Of: November 1, 2022

Placement: Administrative

**Estimated Time:** 

Continued Item:  $N_0$ 

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Lisa Plowman, 805.568.2086

Director(s)

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**SUBJECT:** Fish and Wildlife Commission Grant Award

### **County Counsel Concurrence**

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence** 

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form: No

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#### **Recommended Actions:**

- a) Approve and authorize the Director of Planning and Development to award a grant to Friends of Troop 26 (Attachment 1).
- b) Determine that the award of Fish and Wildlife Commission Grant funds is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15378(b)(4) of the State Guidelines for the implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act.

### **Summary Text:**

The County Fish and Wildlife Commission reviewed the attached grant request at their November 18, 2021 meeting, and recommends that the Board approve full funding for the "Lower Fossil Canyon Wildlife Drinker Eagle Scout" project, with the total requested amount being \$1,497.10. This expenditure is fully funded by Fish and Wildlife fine revenues. The adopted 2022-23 Fiscal Year Budget for the Fish and Wildlife Fund provides for these expenditures. These grants are permissible expenditures pursuant to Fish and Game Code Section 13103. County Resolution 75-207 authorizes the Fish and Wildlife Commission to advise your Board on fish and wildlife matters and make recommendations to your Board on proposals from individuals and organizations for the expenditures of fish and wildlife fine revenues.

#### **Background:**

The County Fish and Wildlife Commission, established by Resolution 75-207 and amended by Resolution 16-12, is comprised of nine members: five appointed by the Board of Supervisors, three from local sportsmen's associations and one commercial fisher. State law limits how revenues from Fish and Wildlife fines may be expended. Under State law, funds can be expended only for specific purposes,

including, but not limited to, temporary emergency treatment and care of injured or orphaned wildlife and improvement of fish and wildlife habitat. In their November 18, 2021 meeting, the Fish and Wildlife Commission discussed the merits of this proposal. The grant for consideration has satisfied statutory requirements. Below is a summary of the proposed grant; full grant application material is provided in Attachment 1.

Project	Amount Requested	Recommended Amount	Project Description	
Lower Fossil Canyon Wildlife Drinker Eagle Scout Project	\$1,497.10	\$1,497.10	Construction of a three-part water collection system, including a large corrugated metal room, which will be slanted to catch rainwater. Piping will run the water into a 1,100-gallon tank, then the water will be sent into a water trough that will let wildlife drink out of it.	

The County Fish and Wildlife Commission recommends that the Board approves funding the grant request found in Attachment 1. The total requested amount is \$1,497.10, and the Fish and Wildlife Commission recommends approval of a total of \$1,497.10, and is fully funded by restricted Fish and Wildlife fine revenues. These grants provide funding for a variety of community based educational programs that focus on fish and wildlife and other expenditures authorized by Fish and Game Code Section 13103.

#### **Performance Measure:**

N/A

#### **Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes

#### **Fiscal Analysis:**

	Current FY Cost:	Annualized On-going Cost:	<u>Total One-Time</u> <u>Project Cost</u>	
General Fund				
State			\$	1,497.10
Federal				
Fees				
Other:				
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$	1,497.10

Fish and Wildlife fine revenues are maintained in the Fish and Wildlife Special Revenue Fund, #0041. Annual revenues to the fund range from \$5,000 to \$8,000, and the Fund currently has a balance of approximately \$805,600. Funding for the proposed grant expenditures is budgeted in the Planning and Development's Administration and Support Budget Program on Page D-387 of the County of Santa Barbara Fiscal Year 2022-23 adopted budget. Administrative support costs, including the preparation of this report, are offset by funding from the Fish and Wildlife Fund. If awarded a Fish and Wildlife project grant, no future funding commitment is required for maintenance or operational costs related to these projects.

#### **Staffing Impacts:**

No additional staffing is needed to implement and manage this Agreement.

# **Special Instructions:**

None

## **Attachments:**

1. Grant Application Form

## **Authored by:**

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