

# BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

**Agenda Number:** 

## Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Department Name: CEO
Department No.: 012

For Agenda Of: October 9, 2018
Placement: Administrative

**Estimated Time:** 

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** CEO Mona Miyasato, County Executive Officer

Contact Info: Matt Pontes, Assistant County Executive Officer

Robert Lewin, Director of Emergency Management

**SUBJECT:** FY 2018 Emergency Management Performance Grant Authorization

## **County Counsel Concurrence**

## **Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: As to form: N/A

#### **Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Adopt a Resolution authorizing the County Executive Officer, or designee to apply and enter into a contract to accept the Fiscal Year 2018/19 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) with the California Office of Emergency Services in the approximate amount of \$216,500 to provide grant funding for emergency management activities in the Santa Barbara Operational Area; and,
- b) Direct staff to return to the Board of Supervisors with the grant as part of the Office of Emergency Management's budget and work program request if the grant is awarded; and,
- c) Determine that the proposed action is related to the creation of a government funding mechanism and other 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 is therefore exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guideline section 15378 (b)(4).

#### **Summary Text:**

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) provides funding to local jurisdictions to assist with the costs of providing emergency management. FEMA provides this funding through a grant to the

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California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) for distribution to Operational Areas. The Operational Area is, by statute, managed through the County and includes all political subdivisions within County. The recommended action authorizes the Office of Emergency Management to apply for the grant. The Resolution further identifies those persons authorized to execute the grant and submit the required quarterly reports. The EMPG Program funding helps ensure compliance with state and federal emergency management requirements. The funding provides up to one-half of the personnel expense for authorized emergency planning staff, and other costs associated in support of emergency management.

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

The EMPG is a reimbursement grant and therefore no cash advances are permitted under the EMPG Program. This resolution allows County OEM to apply for reimbursement under the EMPG program subgranted through the State of California (CalOES). The EMPG Program provides partial funding (up to one half the salary and benefits, depending on funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency) for OEM positions. These funds may also be used to provide equipment or supplies to enhance emergency management throughout the Operational Area. The FY 2018-19 allocation is \$216,500. The term of this grant is July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019.

**Budgeted:** Yes. The EMPG funding is included in the department's 2018-19 adopted budget.

## **Special Instructions:**

Please provide copies of the executed Resolution and the minute order to the Office of Emergency Management; attention Sonia Thompson.

#### **Attachments:**

Attachment A: Resolution accepting the FY 2018 Emergency Management Performance Grant

(EMPG) providing grant funding for emergency management activities in the Santa

Barbara County Operational Area.

#### **Authored by:**

Robert Lewin, Director Office of Emergency Management