



Legislation Text

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Consider recommendations regarding an Ocean Water Quality Monitoring Grant Agreement (State Water Board), July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025, as follows:

- a) Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Director of the Public Health Department, or Designee, to Execute a Public Beach Safety Grant Agreement with the State Water Resources Control Board, which approves, ratifies, and authorizes the Public Health Director, or designee, to:
 - i) Enter into a Grant Agreement (No. D2214113) with the State Water Resources Control Board for a three-year period in the amount of \$372,675.00, not to exceed \$124,225.00 annually, for the County to provide ocean water quality monitoring and public notification services related to the State Water Board's Public Beach Water Safety Program for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025 (Fiscal Years 2022-2023 through 2024-2025); and
 - ii) Execute amendments to the Grant Agreement to accept future grant funds through June 30, 2025, if State funds are made available, the additional award is within 10% of the previous annual amount, and there is no significant change in the scope of work required under the Grant Agreement, and to certify invoices as may be required by the State Water Board, subject to the Board's authority to rescind this delegation at any time;
- b) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute a letter to the State Water Resources Control Board, which states that the Director position for the County of Santa Barbara Public Health Department is currently vacant and the Interim Director is covering those duties; and
- c) Determine that these activities are exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review per CEQA Guideline Section 15061(b)(3), since it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activities may have a significant effect on the environment; and CEQA Guideline Sections 15306, 15307, and 15308, because these actions are for information collection and for the protection of natural resources and the environment.