

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL COAST REGION

SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 22-23, 2014

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SUBJECT: Grants Program

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KEY INFORMATION:

Location: Salinas Valley
Type of Grant: PG&E Settlement Fund

THIS ACTION: Resolution to Allocate PG&E Settlement Funding for the Safe Drinking Water Grant Project

SUMMARY

This Supplemental Sheet is to provide additional information regarding the Safe Drinking Water grant project. Water Board staff recommends adoption of Resolution No. R3-2014-0030 to allocate approximately \$118,000 to fund the Safe Drinking Water Project.

In response to the April 3, 2014 Request for Proposals (RFP), the Water Board received two proposals by the May 1, 2014 due date (collectively included as Attachment 1). Water Board staff plans to develop grant agreements to fund the following two proposals in equal shares for implementation of the Safe Drinking Water Project:

1. *State and Local Smalls Interim Drinking Water Pilot* from the Environmental Justice Coalition for Water (EJCW)
2. *Safe Drinking Water Project* from the Coalition for Urban Rural Environmental Stewardship (CURES)

In the coming fiscal year (2014-15), the Executive Officer will execute the Safe Drinking Water Grant Projects grant agreements to attain the goal of safe drinking water. Pending approval of Resolution R3-2014-0030 (Attachment 2), staff will request a full grant application with detailed scope of work and grant fund request totaling \$59,000 from each grant applicant. To maximize provision of safe drinking water, the grant agreements must include a 25% (\$19,667) minimum match requirement of the total project cost (\$78,667).

The EJCW grant agreement must focus on providing interim safe drinking water to disadvantaged communities and individuals. The CURES grant agreement must focus on assisting limited resource farmers in providing interim safe drinking water to well users, based upon financial need. In addition, the grantees must coordinate together to make the most efficient and effective use of grant funds to maximize the provision of interim safe drinking water. Due to some uncertainty regarding the amount of assistance needed for limited resource farmers to provide interim safe drinking water to well users in the Salinas Valley, the Executive Officer will ensure that the grant agreements provide the services in the most effective manner and will make any necessary adjustments to shift available grant funds based on need for interim safe drinking water in the Salinas Valley. The Executive Officer will provide progress reports to the Water Board, including any reallocation or transfer of funds between grant projects based on need.

The recommended proposals and Resolution R3-2014-0030 are included as Attachment 1 and Attachment 2 to this Supplemental Sheet.

ATTACHMENT

1. Recommended Proposals
2. Resolution R3-2014-0030

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