

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Roger E. Heroux
Director, Public Health Department
STAFF CONTACT: David Brummond
346-7348

SUBJECT: Resolution Authorizing an Enforcement Assistance Grant Application Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 43230.

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

Approve the attached Resolution authorizing the Director of Environmental Health Services Division of the Public Health Department to apply for an Enforcement Assistance Grant from the California Integrated Waste Management Board.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation is primarily aligned with Goal No. 2. A safe and healthy community in which to live and visit. The recommendation is additionally aligned with Goal No. 5: A high quality of life for all residents.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

Environmental Health Services is the designated Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) for solid waste issues in Santa Barbara County. Since 1991, Environmental Health Services has been receiving an annual grant from the California Integrated Waste Management Board to carry out enforcement duties of the LEA program. Your Board has approved previous resolutions authorizing Environmental Health Services to apply for this supplemental funding. This funding has been used to purchase and maintain computers, field equipment such as landfill gas monitors, ongoing staff training required by State law for the LEA staff, and for ongoing professional contract services for special projects.

The Grant application packages are now available and the deadline for application is May 28, 1999. Santa Barbara County Environmental Health Services is eligible for a Grant award of approximately \$21,500. The Grant request for fiscal year 99/00 is similar to requests for past years.

Mandates and Service Levels:

Section 43209 of the Public Resources Code (PRC) outlines the duties of the Local Enforcement Agency. Section 43209(e) specifies that the LEA must establish and maintain an enforcement program that is consistent with the regulations contained in Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations beginning with section 17200, as well as those found in Title 27 of the California Code of Regulations, commencing with section 20005.

The Enforcement Assistance Grant Program was established under the statutory authority of section 43230 of the Public Resources Code. The money dispersed by this program is intended to help the LEA carry out their solid waste facilities permit and inspection programs.

There is a projected increase in overall program design and effectiveness. Equipment purchases will be used to ensure permitted facilities comply with State minimum standards. If determined to be necessary, a consultant may be hired to assist with short term projects such as a permit application review or annual updating of the state required Enforcement Program Plan.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

The Enforcement Assistance Grant may be used only to supplement, not supplant, the LEA's solid waste program budget. Because of this, the Grant funds direct costs only. The Environmental Health Division of the Public Health Department is primarily funded by fees. Indirect costs and County A87 Plan are calculated into fees and therefore are not included in this Grant application. This Grant was included in the 1999/00 requested budget under Department 041, Fund 0042 and Program 4444.

Approval of this request will not result in a need for any additional facilities.

Special Instructions:

Please forward a copy of the signed Resolution to Peggy Langle, Environmental Health Services Director, 225 Camino del Remedio, Santa Barbara, 93110

Concurrence:
Auditor-Controller
County Counsel