

FY 2021-22 Budget Hearings Board Inquiry Form

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Request/Question:

Can the Board create a set aside of cannabis one-time funding towards a specific initiative, but not specific projects for that initiative at this time? One example would be:

Environmental Review, Planning Acquisition for North County recreation, trails and open space. Fund set aside towards preliminary work for acquiring, planning and developing trails, open space, and/or parks that are identified in community plans, circulation elements, and other planning documents in North County. North County here defined as North of the Gaviota Tunnel and North of the Santa Ynez Mountains. AMOUNT: \$2M one-time

The Board could direct the CEO's Office to set aside funding for a specific initiative, and the CEO's office would earmark that money in General County Programs. When the Board is ready to make allocations out of that set-aside, it would take either a mid-year budget revision with a 4/5 vote to release fund balance, or it could be built into the following year's recommended budget.

Alternatively, if there is work to be done and funds to be expended in FY 2021-22 that are known at this time, the Board could direct the CEO's Office to allocate funding to a specific department for a stated purpose during Budget Hearings, and it would be built into the final Adopted budget and require no budget revisions during the fiscal year.