



Legislation Text

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Memorandum

Date: September 1, 2020

To: The Honorable Moke Simon, Chair, Lake County Board of Directors

From: Jan Coppinger, Special Districts Administrator

Subject: (Sitting as the Lake County Sanitation District, Board of Directors) - Approve Proposed Private Lateral Grant Program to Assist Property Owners For The Replacement Costs of Private Laterals to Reduce Inflow and Infiltration

Executive Summary: (include fiscal and staffing impact narrative):

Lake County Sanitation District, (LACOSAN) is proposing to implement a grant program to assist private property owners with costs to repair faulty private laterals. Faulty private laterals are a significant source of Inflow and Infiltration (I & I) which increases the load on the public sewer system and increases treatment costs. I & I from private laterals is significant during periods of rainfall and high lake levels, when the public sewer system is often overwhelmed and sewer overflows and spills occur. I & I from private laterals can result in backups on the property and flood basements and households and cause manholes to pop open and release sewage in the streets.

We are proposing to allocate \$30,000 to be used for this pilot program. The pilot program will continue until the initial funds are depleted. At that time, we will review the program and evaluate the usefulness and determine if any changes need to be made to make it more effective, or if the program should continue.

The program will pay one half of the cost of repairs or replacement, up to \$3,000 for each approved applicant.

To be eligible for the funds, the property owner will need to schedule a CCTV inspection with LACOSAN staff or they can hire a third party to conduct the CCTV inspection. This will determine if the planned repairs will reduce I & I which is required for the grant funding to be approved.

Typical sewer laterals are designed to last 20 to 50 years. Many homes in Lake County are older and sewer laterals are failing. The cost to replace or repair them can be burdensome on property owners. We hope that this pilot grant program will encourage and assist property owners to replace or repair faulty laterals and reduce the load on the public sewer system as well as protect their own property from sanitary sewer overflow.

If not budgeted, fill in the blanks below only:

Estimated Cost: \$30,000 Amount Budgeted: 0.00 Additional Requested: \$30,000 Future Annual Cost: TBD

Consistency with Vision 2028 and/or Fiscal Crisis Management Plan (check all that apply):

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Well-being of Residents | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Safety | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure | <input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Development | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Disaster Recovery | <input type="checkbox"/> County Workforce | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Technology Upgrades</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Collaboration | <input type="checkbox"/> Business Process Efficiency | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clear Lake | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Revenue Generation</i> |
| | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Cost Savings</i> |

If request for exemption from competitive bid in accordance with County Code Chapter 2 Sec. 2-38, fill in blanks below:

Which exemption is being requested?

How long has Agreement been in place?

When was purchase last rebid?

Reason for request to waive bid?

Recommended Action:

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