

Legislation Text

## Memorandum

Date: December 1, 2020

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

From: Scott DeLeon, Water Resources Director

Subject: Adopt resolution authorizing the Lake County Watershed Protection District to File a Grant Application for a Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Pre-Disaster and Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Program for FY 2020/2021 Titled Middle Creek Flood Damage Reduction and Ecosystem Restoration Project (MCFDRERP): Parcel Acquisition.

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

Staff is requesting the Board of Directors of the Lake County Watershed Protection District (District) approve a resolution authorizing the Water Resources Director to file a grant application with the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) who administers the FEMA BRIC Pre-Disaster and Flood Mitigation grant program. The District was pre-approved to submit a sub application for this project. This item is not anticipated to be controversial; therefore we are requesting this item be placed on the consent agenda.

The Lake County Watershed Protection District (LCWPD) proposes a \$20,000,000 project with a \$15,000,000 federal financial assistance contribution and the remaining \$5,000,000 being provided in match for a 36-month period once the grant agreement is approved.

The \$20,000,000 would be used to achieve the acquisition of remaining parcels located within the Middle Creek Project Area with the goal of decommissioning the levee's and restoring the Project Area back to a natural wetlands, reducing flood risk to the impoverished community of Upper Lake, CA. As well as the purchase of overflow easements, needed hydraulic mitigation, or removal, demolition, improvements of associated infrastructure on acquired parcels, and the rezoning of parcels as Open Space. Project management activities needed to conduct parcel acquisitions; fiscal/administrative tasks, coordinating with third party contractors, data management, conducting field work such as surveying and local outreach to impacted community members.

Grant funds are reimbursable with a recommended 25% local match, although county DAC status might provide for a smaller match once grant agreements are drafted. General operations, overhead, and salary will be used as a match for this grant.

Through FEMA's national competition a total of \$446,400,000.00 is available, the state of California

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## may submit an unlimited number of mitigation project subapplications each valued up to \$50,000,000 federal share to the national competition.

If not budgeted, fill in the blanks			
Estimated Cost: Amount	Budgeted: Additional Rec	uested: Future A	Annual Cost:
Consistency with Vision 2028 and	d/or Fiscal Crisis Management Pla	<b>n</b> (check all that apply):	□ Not applicable
<ul> <li>Well-being of Residents</li> <li>Economic Development</li> <li>Community Collaboration</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Public Safety</li> <li>Disaster Recovery</li> <li>Business Process Efficiency</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>☐ Infrastructure</li> <li>☐ County Workforce</li> <li>⊠ Clear Lake</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Technology Upgrades</li> <li>Revenue Generation</li> <li>Cost Savings</li> </ul>
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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