

CAMBRIA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

TO: Board of Directors

AGENDA NO. **6.D.**

FROM: Jerry Gruber
William Hollingsworth

Meeting Date: May 24, 2018

Subject: DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION
OF ACTION ON APPROVED CAL OES
HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT
PROGRAM NOTICES OF INTEREST

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends that the Board authorize pursuit of formal applications to the Cal OES Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) subsequent to approved Notices of Interest (NOI) submitted for eligible grant activity identified as the following:

- Fuel Reduction – Burton Drive Canyon, above Village Lane towards Santa Lucia Middle School (DR-4353-0070)
- Fuel Reduction – Highway 1 Corridor, from Burton Drive north towards Cambria Drive (DR-4353-0071)
- Fuel Reduction – Cambria Pines Road Corridor, from Highway 1 to Buckley Drive (DR-4353-0072)
- Fuel Reduction – Camp Yeager/Camp Ocean Pines/Randall corridor (DR-4353-0073)
- Seismic and Vulnerability Study and Mitigation for CCSD Infrastructure (Dr-4353-0074)
- Fuel Reduction – Southern border of town (DR-4353-0076)

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is potentially zero financial impact to the budget, but there is impact to staff time for applications and management. If approved, the final grant awards will be fully funded through the HMGP; there is no required match from local agencies or government. There will be considerable staff time required to formalize and apply for the six separate mitigation grants listed above. This can be accomplished by staff, with input from specialists, or by hiring a separate firm to complete the application in its entirety. If the CCSD chooses to hire out this function, there will be a cost associated with completing the applications. For any grant ultimately approved, additional staff time will be required to manage the grant through the entire period of performance. All actual labor will be subcontracted and completed by companies not employed by the CCSD.

DISCUSSION:

As a result of the declaration of a major federal disaster, the State of California is eligible for HMGP funding. The State has established priorities to accept project sub-applications from sub-applicants statewide, State agencies, tribal governments, local governments, and private non-profits.

Hazard mitigation activities are aimed at reducing or eliminating future damages. Activities include cost effective hazard mitigation projects and hazard mitigation plans subject to approval by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

HMGP is successful in meeting the FEMA requirements to qualify as an Enhanced State Hazard Mitigation Plan (ESHMP) state. ESHMP accreditation has resulted in additional millions of dollars available for local agencies' hazard mitigation plan and project funding. In order to maintain ESHMP status, further information is requested by FEMA as a means of assessing the pro-activity of each community or agency.

In March of 2018, the CCSD applied for seven separate HMGP NOIs secondary to the disaster declaration caused by the 2017 California Wildfires. The CCSD has been notified by Cal OES that six of those NOI applications were successful. For all eligible NOIs, the CCSD will need to complete the full application package available through the Cal OES website.

Attachments: April 28, 2018 Forest Management HMGP Notice of Intent Denial Email
April 28, 2018 Fuel Reduction – Burton Drive Canyon, above Village Lane
towards Santa Lucia Middle School (DR-4353-0070) Eligibility Email
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BOARD ACTION: Date _____ Approved: _____ Denied: _____

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