

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: Planning and Building Department

Agenda Section: Consent

SUBJECT:

Approval to Accept Brownfield Program Grant and Supplemental Budget in the Amount of \$1,000,000 (4/5 Vote Required)

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Approve the acceptance of the Brownfield Program supplemental grant in the amount of \$1,000,000:
- 2. Review and approve the attached supplemental budget in the amount of \$1,000,000 for Planning and Building Advanced Planning Brownfield Grant budget unit 1100-282-502 (4/5 vote required);
- 3. Direct the Auditor-Controller to post the attached supplemental budget; and
- 4. Direct Planning and Building staff to implement the grant.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Environmental Protection Agency, Brownfield Program

Revenue Code: 1100282-502 590031

DISCUSSION:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) invited the County of Humboldt to apply for a Supplemental Brownfield Grant, based on past performance. The supplemental application process means that awardees are approved unless they choose not to accept the funding. The county was awarded \$1,000,000.

The department is asking that the Board approve the attached supplemental budget in the amount of \$1,000,000 in the Advanced Planning Brownfield Grant budget unit 1100-282-502, which will cover costs to set-up marketing and administration of the program, including issuing loans and paying contractors.

This program allows the county to grant funds to non-profits, and to loan funds to private entities at favorable terms, on brownfield properties, where the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may

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be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. The County just closed out a 15-year grant that provided loans and grants to four entities, expending \$3,119,000. This funding will continue this program.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Costs to implement the grant including paying consultants are all covered by the grant. Preparation of this Board Report is approximately \$500 and has been paid for with general fund.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by seeking outside funding sources to benefit Humboldt County needs, creating opportunities for improved safety and health, protecting vulnerable populations, and facilitating public/private partnership to solve problems.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

None at this point.

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board could avoid setting up a unique ten-digit grant code and include in the Advanced Planning budget.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: EPA Brownfield Supplemental Budget

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: Click or tap here to enter text.

Meeting of: 9/6/2016 File No.: 16-6391,