

Agenda Item: 14C
Meeting Date: June 8, 2005

CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES THAT IT PROCEED WITH THE AWARD OF LOCAL GROUNDWATER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM GRANTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2004-05

Summary: This resolution recommends that the Director of the Department of Water Resources approve the award of the Local Groundwater Assistance funds for grants to specified local agencies.

Recommended Action: The Authority adopt the attached Resolution 05-06-03 recommending to the Department of Water Resources (DWR) that it proceed with the award of local groundwater assistance program grants for Fiscal Year 2004-05.

Background

In 2000 the Legislature passed the Local Groundwater Management Assistance Act to fund local public agencies for groundwater studies or to carry out groundwater monitoring and management activities. A total of \$6.4 million is available in Fiscal Year 2004-05 for grant awards. The award limit per applicant is \$250,000.

DWR, upon recommendation from the Authority (Resolution 04-10-02), released a Proposal Solicitation and Application Package on October 7, 2004, and completed applications for funding were submitted by December 2, 2005. A series of four public workshops were held to inform agencies of the program and provide guidance for the preparation of applications. More details may be found on the website at <http://www.grantsloans.water.ca.gov/grants/assistance.cfm>.

Seventy-five applications were received that totaled \$17.6 million in grant requests for projects costing over \$27.4 million. DWR staff evaluated the applications based on criteria published in the application package. The evaluation results were presented to the Technical Advisory Panel (TAP) and the public at a meeting on April 29, 2005. TAP recommendations are reflected in the funding recommendations in Attachments 1 and 2. Public comments were accepted until May 11, 2005.

Fiscal Information

Funding Source: Proposition 50, Chapter 8.

Term: July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2007

Total Amount: \$6,400,000.00

List of Attachments

Attachment 1 – Table of Funding Recommendations
Attachment 2 – Map of Funding Recommendations

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Local Groundwater Assistance Program (AB 303) Grant Recommendations FY 2004-2005		
Applicant	Project Title	Grant Amount
Alameda County Water District	Southwest Niles Cone Monitoring Wells Project	\$249,943
Alpine, County of	Alpine County Groundwater Management Program Update	\$129,723
Anaheim Public Utilities Department, City of	City of Anaheim Well Destruction Project	\$250,000
Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency	Groundwater Management Plan Implementation and Conjunctive Use Project for the Ames, Means, and Johnson Valley Basins	\$168,300
Borrego Water District	Phase II Monitoring Well Project	\$193,200
Butte County Department of Water & Resource Conservation	Butte County Basin Management Objective Information Center (BMOIC)	\$247,820
Crescenta Valley Water District	Verdugo Basin Geophysical Evaluation Project	\$250,000
Eastern Municipal Water District	Quantification of Nitrogen Removal under Recycled Water Recharge Ponds	\$200,000
Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District	Groundwater Quality Sampling and Modeling Program	\$168,300
Glenn Colusa Irrigation District	Stony Creek Fan Partnership Conjunctive Management Program Exploration and Monitoring of the Lower Tuscan Formation	\$250,000
Indian Wells Valley Water District	Installation and Implementation of a Comprehensive Groundwater Monitoring Program for the Indian Wells Valley, California	\$249,725
Inland Empire Utilities Agency	Piezometric Monitoring Wells for the Chino Basin Management Zone 3 Monitoring Program	\$250,000
Inyo-Water Department, County of	Development of a Groundwater Flow Model for the Bishop/Laws Area	\$89,410
Kings River Conservation District	North Fork Group Potential Recharge Site Exploration	\$249,410
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Los Angeles County Flood Control District	Alamitos Seawater Barrier Telemetry System Construction	\$250,000
Madera County Resource Management Agency	Enhanced Groundwater Planning Program for Madera County	\$250,000
Mendocino City Community Services District	Mendocino Groundwater Monitoring and Management Project	\$144,400
Modesto Irrigation District	Well Field Optimization Project	\$250,000
Northeastern San Joaquin County Groundwater Banking Authority	Eastern San Joaquin County Saline Groundwater Intrusion Program - Fiscal Year 2006 Activities	\$212,700
Sacramento Groundwater Authority	North Sacramento County Regional Groundwater Model Enhancements	\$249,840
Sacramento Suburban Water District	Sacramento Suburban Water District Groundwater Monitoring and Subsidence Survey	\$250,000
San Benito County Water District	Depth-Specific Monitoring and Aquifer Characterization to Support Groundwater Management, Hollister North Subbasin, San Benito C	\$250,000
San Bruno, Water Division of the Public Works Department, City of	San Bruno Groundwater Monitoring Wells: Installation and Monitoring	\$249,870
San Timoteo Watershed Management Authority	Subsidence Monitoring for the Beaumont Basin	\$168,300
Semitropic Water Storage District	2005 Groundwater Monitoring Improvement Project	\$193,061
Tehama County Flood Control & Water Conservation District	Installation of Groundwater Monitoring Wells and Data Collecting Equipment to Enhance Evaluation of Regional Aquifer Response	\$202,970
Tracy, City of	Tracy Regional Groundwater Management Plan	\$184,842
United Water Conservation District	Mugu Seawater/Saline Water Intrusion Monitoring Program	\$168,300
Yuba County Water Agency	Yuba County Water Agency Regional Monitoring Well Program	\$246,246
Total		\$6,400,000

DWR DPLA Local Groundwater Management Financial Assistance Grant Program FY 2004-2005 Applicants Recommended for Funding





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WHEREAS, the California Bay-Delta Authority is statutorily authorized to conduct oversight and coordination related to the CALFED Bay-Delta Program;

WHEREAS, the CALFED Programmatic Record of Decision (ROD) recognized the importance of effective groundwater management to meeting objectives for groundwater storage and conjunctive use, as well as other programs, such as water quality and water transfers; and

WHEREAS, AB 303 (Water Code Section 10795 *et seq.*) authorizes the Department of Water Resources (DWR) to award grants for local groundwater assistance to projects and programs proposed by local agencies; and

WHEREAS, DWR, upon recommendation from the Authority (Resolution 04-10-02), solicited proposals through a Proposal Solicitation Package process, including a series of public workshops; and

WHEREAS, the Technical Advisory Panel has made funding recommendations that further the groundwater management goals and objectives of the ROD;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the California Bay-Delta Authority recommends that DWR approve award of grants to the projects identified in Attachment 1.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Assistant to the California Bay-Delta Authority does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the Authority held on June 8-9, 2005.

Dated: _____

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Assistant to the California Bay-Delta Authority

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