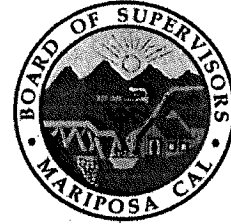




MARIPOSA COUNTY

Board of Supervisors · (209) 966-3222



RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2015-73

MEETING: February 10, 2015

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor

RE: Use of Tobacco Settlement Funding to Offset Administrative Overhead Costs to the Mariposa RCD

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Approve the Use of Tobacco Settlement Money to Offset the Administrative Work Being Performed by the Mariposa County Resource Conservation District (RCD) on the Yosemite-Mariposa Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plan in a Not to Exceed Amount of \$2,000. The Mariposa County RCD has taken on the management and administrative duties associated with the IWRM Plan and facilitating the Yosemite-Mariposa Regional Water Advisory Council (RWAC) meetings.

The RCD is a non-profit organization that has been either responsible or assisted in bringing valuable grant funding to the County. Providing this funding will assist the RCD in their continuing efforts with water and natural resources management issues, and recognize the amount of staff time that is being committed to facilitating the IRWM Plan and the RWAC.

There is an estimated amount of \$75,000 available in the Tobacco Settlement fund and of this amount it is requested that \$2,000 be used to offset the administrative overhead that the RCD is incurring with regards the IRWM Plan and the RWAC. Tobacco Settlement funding is discretionary and can be used on issues and matters that the Board deems worthwhile.

If this action is approved a grant agreement will be initiated between the RCD and the County. Because the dollar amount is less than \$10,000 the grant agreement will be signed by the Interim County Administrative Officer after approval as to form by County Counsel. The grant agreement will only be for this fiscal year. The use of this discretionary funding to offset administrative overhead for the RCD can be included in the Requested Budget for subsequent fiscal years for review and approval by the Board of Supervisors.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

The Board has most recently approved the use of Tobacco Settlement funds for the construction of signs for the Mariposa Visitors' Center (\$7,500), Northern County History Center (\$1,500), and the Coulterville Visitors' Center (\$2,500). Additionally, the Board has also approved the use of this funding to offset construction costs associated with county fire stations.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Do not approve the use of Tobacco Settlement funds to offset the administrative overhead being incurred by the RCD for facilitating the IRWM Plan and RWAC in the amount of \$2,000. RCD will need to budget for these expenses within their own operating budget.

CAO RECOMMENDATION

Requested Action Recommended


Mary Hoatson, Interim CAO 2/3/2015

RESULT: **ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Marshall Long, District III Supervisor
SECONDER: John Carrier, District V Supervisor
AYES: Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Carrier