DEPARTMENT: Administration/Office of Economic Development

BY: Richard J. Benson, CAO  PHONE: 966-3222

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:
PUBLIC HEARING: DESIGN PHASE – To provide citizens an opportunity to comment on activities for the preparation of a Disaster Recovery Initiative (DRI) application(s) under the Community Development Block Grant Program; and, for the Board of Supervisors to provide direction on future grant applications relative to the Community Development Block Grant Program

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The purpose of this Public Hearing is to fulfill a requirement of the State of California, which is to present information on the DRI under the Community Development Block Grant Program, provide citizens an opportunity to comment on activities for preparation of a CDBG application(s); and for the Board of Supervisors to provide direction on future grant projects.

Program:
On May 12, 2010, the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) issued an announcement on a special Notice of Funding Availability for the 2008 Disaster Recovery Initiative (DRI). Approximately $38.3 million was allocated for recovery from wildfires occurring in 2008. The following jurisdictions were affected by the 2008 wildfires: FEMA-1810-DR Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and Santa Barbara counties. Under FEMA-3287-EM jurisdictions affected were Butte, Kern, Mariposa, Monterey, Plumas, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta and Trinity counties and the federally recognized Hoopa Valley Indian Tribe and Yurok Indian Tribe (Exhibit "A").

Maximum award limits for Activity #1 is up to $5M that applies to housing, infrastructure, economic recovery and revitalization, which includes the rebuild of roads that were damaged in the 2008 fire disaster; and, the maximum award limits for Activity #2 is up to $150,000, which includes development/update of forward-thinking strategies in connection to updating the Safety Elements of the General Plan, Local Hazard Mitigation Plan and the Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP).

Staff is requesting direction from the Board to develop an application(s) to the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development under the DRI Program. Pursuant to Board action, staff shall prepare a grant “Application Submittal” for Board of Supervisors consideration, which identifies the type(s) of grant, funding amount and pertinent criteria specific to the program.

Attached is a notice that was published in the Mariposa Gazette on October 14, 2010 seeking comments from the general public relative to the public hearing (Exhibit “B”).

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
None

Financial Impact?( ) Yes(x) No Current FY Cost: Annual Recurring Cost: $
Budgeted In Current FY? ( ) Yes ( ) No ( ) Partially Funded
Amount in Budget: $:
Additional Funding Needed:
Source:
Internal Transfer
Unanticipated Revenue
Transfer Between Funds
Contingency
( ) General Fund ( ) Other

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Public Hearing Notice, Exhibit “B”, page 2

CLERK’S USE ONLY:
Res. No.: 595 Ord. No._____
Vote – Ayes: ___ Noes: ___
Absent: ___
Approved: ___
Minute Order Attached ( ) No Action Necessary

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.
Date: ____________
Attest: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
County of Mariposa, State of California
By: ____________________________
Deputy
ml. DRI: DPIH Design Phase. Agenda Action Form 10.2010

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:
Requested Action Recommended
No Opinion
Comments:

CAO: _______
COUNTY of MARIPOSA
P.O. Box 784, Mariposa, CA 95338 (209) 966-3222

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MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

TO: RICHARD J. BENSON, CAO
FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board

SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEARING to Provide Citizens an Opportunity to Comment on Activities for Preparation of a Disaster Recovery Initiative (DRI) Application(s) Under the Community Development Block Grant Program; and for the Board of Supervisors to Provide Possible Direction on Future Grant Applications Relative to the Community Development Block Grant Program

RES. 10-503

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

ADOPTED THIS Order on October 26, 2010

ACTION AND VOTE:

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Administration
PUBLIC HEARING to Provide Citizens an Opportunity to Comment on Activities for Preparation of a Disaster Recovery Initiative (DRI) Application(s) Under the Community Development Block Grant Program; and for the Board of Supervisors to Provide Possible Direction on Future Grant Applications Relative to the Community Development Block Grant Program

BOARD ACTION: Rick Benson introduced the item. Marilyn Lidyoff, Business Development Coordinator, presented the staff report, including a review of the grant program. Marilyn Lidyoff and Allen Toschi/Public Works Director, responded to questions from the Board relative to the acronyms that were used and relative to applying for funds to rebuild roads that were damaged in the 2008 fire disaster. The public portion of the hearing was opened and there was no public input. The public portion of the hearing was closed and the Board commenced with deliberations.

(M)Bibby, (S)Aborn, Res. 10-503 was adopted directing staff to develop grant application(s)/Ayes: Aborn, Turpin, Bibby, Allen; Excused: Cann. The hearing was closed.

Cc: Marilyn Lidyoff, Business Development Coordinator
File
INTRODUCTION

1. NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

The Department of Housing and Community Development (the "Department") announces the availability of approximately $38.3 million in 2008 Disaster Recovery Initiative (DRI) funds. The 2008 DRI funds are currently available to jurisdictions directly impacted by and included in the two federally declared major disaster declarations issued by President Bush in 2008:

➢ 2008 Wild Fires (FEMA-1810-DR)
  o Includes: Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and Santa Barbara counties. Declaration Date, November 18, 2008.

➢ 2008 Wild Fires (FEMA-3287-EM)
  o Includes: Butte, Kern, Mariposa, Mendocino, Monterey, Plumas, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, and Trinity counties and the federally recognized Hoopa Valley Indian Tribe and Yurok Indian Tribe of the Yurok Reservation. Declaration Date, June 28, 2008.

Distribution and monitoring of DRI funds will be under the direction of the Department’s State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.

This Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) applies to CDBG/DRI funding for recovery from wildfires occurring in 2008. This is a Special NOFA pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 50833.1. These funds are made available to the Department from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) pursuant to title IV of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C.) whereby the President of the United States determined that major disaster assistance was warranted under the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). These funds are subject to and comply with the provisions of the HUD Disaster Recovery Initiative (DRI) notice published at [Docket No. FR-5337-N-01]. DRI funds are subject to Final Rule published at [Docket No FR-4254-N-01].

A copy of the HUD-approved State of California 2008 DRI Action Plan has been included in this document as Appendix D, and an electronic version may be viewed on-line at: http://www.hcd.ca.gov/fa/2008_DRI_Acction_Plan.pdf

The form for requesting an application package for Disaster Recovery Initiative funds is available as Appendix K of this document. An electronic version of the application is available at the State DRI web site: http://www.hcd.ca.gov/fa/dri.html. The 2008 DRI Application and NOFA are available in Word and PDF format.
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR DESIGN PHASE ON THE DISASTER RECOVERY INITIATIVE (DRI) UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County of Mariposa will conduct a public hearing by the County Board of Supervisors on October 26, 2010. The hearing will commence at 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, and will be held at the Board of Supervisors Chambers, 5100 Bullion Street, to discuss the Disaster Recovery Initiative (DRI) of 2008 under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and to solicit citizen input.

The allocation of the DRI Program Economic Development is approximately $383.

The allocation of the DRI Program does not count toward any yearly caps under the General, Colonias, Native American, Economic Development and Planning and Technical Assistance allocations of the CDBG Program.

The major activity categories are Housing-New Construction, Housing Acquisition, Housing-Rehabilitation, Public Facilities, Public Services, Public Improvements, and Planning (for Colonias only) Activities. Projects funded with CDBG General, Native American, and/or Colonias Allocations must meet the National Objective of Benefit to Targeted Income Group (TIG) persons. The Economic Development Allocation can meet any of the three National Objectives; Benefit to Targeted Income Group (TIG) persons, elimination of slums and blight, and meeting urgent community development needs.

In collaboration with the Fire, Public Works and Planning Departments, the Office of Economic Development anticipates applying for the maximum grant under the CDBG Program DRI component.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to provide citizens an opportunity to comment/recommend activities for preparation of a CDBG application. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the County of Mariposa, Office of Economic Development, P.O. Box 784, Mariposa, CA 95338 or you may telephone Marilyn Lidyoff, Business Development Coordinator at (209) 966-4303. In addition, a public information file is available for review at the Mariposa County Administration Department between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on weekdays.

If you plan on attending the public hearing and need a special accommodation because of a sensory or mobility impairment/disability, or have a need for an interpreter, please contact Marilyn Lidyoff at (209) 966-4303 to arrange for those accommodations.

The County of Mariposa promotes fair housing and makes all programs available to low and moderate-income families regardless of age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual preference, marital status or handicap.

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