

**COUNTY OF SONOMA
AGENDA ITEM
SUMMARY REPORT**

Clerk of the Board Use Only
Meeting Date _____ Held Until _____
Agenda Item No: _____ Agenda Item No: _____

Department: Health Services

() 4/5 Vote Required

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Board Date:
6/2/09

Deadline for Board Action:

AGENDA SHORT TITLE: Solid Waste Local Enforcement Agency Grant Application

REQUESTED BOARD ACTION:

Resolution authorizing the Director of Health Services to execute the Solid Waste Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) grant application, and all related agreements, documents and amendments that do not significantly change the program content or funding amounts, subject to County Counsel review, to secure LEA funding from the California Integrated Waste Management Board to implement and carry out the purposes specified in the grant application from July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 (\$24,280).

CURRENT FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT

EXPENDITURES

ADD'L FUNDS REQUIRING BOARD APPROVAL

Estimated Cost \$ 0

Contingencies
(Fund Name:)

Amount Budgeted

Unanticipated Revenue
(Source:)

Other Avail Approp
(Explain below)

Other Transfer(s)
(Source:)

Additional Requested: \$ 0

Add'l Funds Requested: \$ 0

Explanation (if required):

Prior Board Action(s): 5/13/08 – Solid Waste Local Enforcement Agency Grant Application; 3/13/07 – Solid Waste Local Enforcement Agency Grant Application.

Alternatives – Results of Non-Approval: Lost opportunity to obtain funding for solid waste enforcement.

BACKGROUND: (Note: LEA Grant Application is on file with the Clerk of the Board.)

The Department of Health Services (Department) is the Solid Waste Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) for the County of Sonoma. The Board has annually approved LEA grant applications with the California Integrated Waste Management Board. These funds are used to support training and education of staff in the Solid Waste Program and for investigating citizen tips of illegal waste disposal sites.

In FY 08-09, grant funding was used for staff Hazardous Materials Certification, attendance at quarterly LEA Roundtables, and training on newly implemented regulations, standards and procedures. Continued training and certification enables staff to effectively support local waste facility operators in maintaining compliance with health and safety standards. In addition, LEA grant funds supported the investigation of over 70 citizen tips of illegal waste disposal from July 2008 through March 2009. Grant funds for FY 09-10 will continue to support training and investigation activities.

LEA grant funds supplement the Solid Waste program to educate, permit, and enforce regulations at solid waste disposal sites such as landfills, transfer stations, composting facilities, recycling facilities, and illegal disposal sites found in rural and residential properties. The program protects public health and safety by ensuring the safe disposal of solid waste throughout the county.

FISCAL IMPACT:

LEA funds in the amount of \$24,280 are included in the FY 09-10 Proposed Budget. There is no contribution from the General Fund and no use of Realignment funds.

Attachments: Resolution authorizing execution of the Solid Waste Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) grant application.

On File With Clerk: LEA Grant Application.

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Board Action (If other than "Requested")

Vote: