

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Administrative Office	(2) MEETING DATE 7/21/2015	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Lisa Howe/ 781-5025	
(4) SUBJECT Request to adopt recommended responses to the FY 2014-15 San Luis Obispo Grand Jury report titled "Energy Used, Time Lost, Results Missing" and forward these responses to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court by August 17, 2015. All Districts.			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board:  <div style="margin-left: 20px;"> (1) Approve staff's recommended responses to the San Luis Obispo Grand Jury's 2014-15 report "Energy Used, Time Lost, Results Missing";  (2) Adopt and file staff's recommended responses as the Board's response; and  (3) Direct the Clerk to forward the approved responses to the Presiding Judge and the Grand Jury by August 17, 2015. </div>			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) N/A	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(9) BUDGETED? Yes
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. ___) <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. ___)			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input type="checkbox"/> Resolutions <input type="checkbox"/> Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances <input type="checkbox"/> N/A			
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5 Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP N/A	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? N/A	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A    Date: _____	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW The Administrative Office prepared this item.			
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) All Districts.			

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

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## **DISCUSSION**

### Overview of EnergyWise Plan

The County of San Luis Obispo's EnergyWise Plan (EWP) was created as an implementation strategy for the Conservation & Open Space Element (COSE) of the County's General Plan, particularly the Energy and Air Quality chapters. The EWP also represents the County's contribution to the State's efforts towards its emission reduction target as outlined in Assembly Bill 32 (AB32).

The EWP directs us to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from County operations and community-wide sources by a minimum of 15% from the 2006 baseline emissions by 2020. It also directs us to reduce energy use in existing County facilities 20% by 2020. To achieve these overarching goals, the EWP provides supporting goals for both County operations and community-wide emission sources. Each of the supporting goals is accompanied by several specific emission reduction measures along with supporting actions, emission reduction estimates, implementation time frames, responsible agencies, and cost estimates (as a range from low to high).

The EWP also directs the County to do the following:

- (1) On a Bi-annual basis monitor and report the County's progress toward achieving the reduction target
- (2) Update the baseline GHG emissions inventory every five years
- (3) Continue to develop partnerships that support implementation of the EWP
- (4) Maintain funding to implement the EWP
- (5) Integrate climate action and energy efficiency planning with other activities and programs in the county, and
- (6) Review and update the EWP at least once prior to the year 2020.

### Grand Jury Report

On June 18, 2015, the Grand Jury issued a report on "Energy Used, Time Lost, Results Missing". The Grand Jury Report

reviews what actions the County has taken to reduce energy use in its own facilities and examines the timeliness of those actions given goal achievement standards and dates set by the State and County. The report does not address the portions of the EWP concerned with the conservation opportunities offered by County employee commuting and County vehicle operations. It does not address the larger opportunities for energy conservation presented by the activities of the community as a whole. This report also does not concern itself with the merits of climate change science.

The report contains nine (9) findings and five (5) recommendations. The San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors is required to respond to Findings 1, 3-5, and 7-9 and Recommendations 1, 3, and 4. The County Administrator is required to respond to Findings 1-9 and Recommendations 2-5. All responses conform to the language required under Penal Code section 933.

The responses from the Board of Supervisors are due to the Presiding Judge by August 17, 2015. The County Administrative Office procedures include coordinating with the applicable departments and preparing recommended responses for the County Administrator on behalf of the Board of Supervisors. The departmental responses to this Grand Jury report are attached and where appropriate, incorporated as the Board's response.

#### **OTHER DEPARTMENT INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT**

The County Administrative Office coordinated with the General Services Department and the Department of Planning and Building in the development of the recommended County Administrator's and Boards responses to this report.

#### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

There are no financial considerations associated with this item.

#### **RESULTS**

This response will meet the legal requirements and time frames for responding to a Grand Jury report with findings and recommendations.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Grand Jury's 2014-15 report "Energy Used, Time Lost, Results Missing"
2. Recommended Board of Supervisors Response
3. County Administrator's Response