



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

(1) DEPARTMENT Emergency Services	(2) MEETING DATE 1/14/2020	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Scott Milner / 805-781-5011	
(4) SUBJECT Request to authorize a budget adjustment in the amount of \$48,000 from Department of Homeland Security (DHS) federal grant funds to Fund Center (FC) 138 – Emergency Services, by 4/5 vote. All Districts.			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board authorize a budget adjustment in the amount of \$48,000 from Department of Homeland Security (DHS) federal grant funds to FC 138 – Emergency Services for the purchase of microwave radio system components to support a new wildfire detection camera system, by 4/5 vote.			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) Federal Grant	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$48,000.00	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(9) BUDGETED? No
(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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A			
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: 1920098 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4/5th's Vote Required <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP N/A	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input type="checkbox"/> N/A Date <u>12/5/2017</u>	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW <i>Nikki J. Schmidt</i>			
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) All Districts			



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TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Emergency Services / Scott Milner / 805-781-5011

DATE: 1/14/2020

SUBJECT: Request to authorize a budget adjustment in the amount of \$48,000 from Department of Homeland Security (DHS) federal grant funds to Fund Center (FC) 138 – Emergency Services, by 4/5 vote. All Districts.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board authorize a budget adjustment in the amount of \$48,000 from Department of Homeland Security (DHS) federal grant funds to FC 138 – Emergency Services for the purchase of microwave radio system components to support a new wildfire detection camera system, by 4/5 vote.

DISCUSSION

Through the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES), the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) provides grant funds for efforts such as planning for homeland security and other emergency operations, purchasing of specialized equipment in order to enhance the capability of local agencies responding to emergencies.

Your Board approved County of San Luis Obispo, Office of Emergency Services (OES) request to accept the 2017 Homeland Security Grant on December 5, 2017. Through pre-determined grant award formulas developed by Cal OES, the San Luis Obispo County Operational Area was awarded \$354,883 in 2017 Homeland Security Grant Program funds.

In circumstances where the actual cost of projects is less than that identified in the grant, a request may be made to Cal OES to fund an alternate project. This project was selected to be funded with the remaining grant funding and to be added as an additional project for inclusion in our 2017 Homeland Security Grant.

This request is for your Board to authorize a budget adjustment in the amount of \$48,000 to fund this project that has been approved by Cal OES for the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2017 Homeland Security Grant Program: grant reference Project 008 – Microwave Radio System Upgrade. Purchase of microwave radio system components will be used to upgrade our existing microwave radio system so that it can support new wildfire detection camera equipment, which will be installed on existing radio communications towers to provide early detection and warning for wildfires. No new fixed assets are being purchased (the County Auditor's Office was consulted) but rather new upgraded

components and cards for our existing microwave radio system to allow the transmission of the wildfire camera video and data.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT

Determining the most efficient use of the grant funds involved representatives from various agencies working together to recommend and prioritize the projects to be funded.

The "Homeland Security Grant Authorized Body" is comprised of:

Sheriff Ian Parkinson, San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Office
Chief Scotty Jalbert, CAL FIRE/County Fire Department
Dr. Penny Borenstein, San Luis Obispo County Health Officer
Chief Steve Lieberman, Five Cities Fire Authority
Chief Jake Miller, Pismo Beach Police Department

County Fire and the County Information Technology Department's Communications division were heavily involved with the design and pending implementation of this project.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

These funds are provided to pay the full cost of the requested items, although certain administrative costs will be incurred by the involved departments. These administrative costs will be absorbed within existing budgeted department funds. This grant does require the County and any other involved local agencies to expend funds upfront and then be reimbursed through the grant process.

The 2017 Homeland Security Grant period of performance ends May 31, 2020, and all projects and expenditures will be completed prior to that date.

RESULTS

The equipment provided through the HSGP for this project will enhance local emergency response and preparedness capabilities associated with wildland fires. The enhanced early detection capabilities provided by this project will increase public protection and is consistent with the countywide goal of a safe community.