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## NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Michael Stoltz for Robert Peterson - Director  
Public Works  
**REPORT BY:** Richard Thomasser, Watershed and Flood Control Operations Manager - (707)259-8657  
**SUBJECT:** Amendment No. 4 to Measure A Subgrant Agreement No. 6420 with NCRCD

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Director of Public Works requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign Amendment No. 4 to Agreement No. 6420 with Napa County Resource Conservation District, increasing the subgrant by \$25,000 for a new maximum of \$552,000 and extending the term through December 31, 2008, for landowner coordination and support as part of the preliminary design of the Rutherford Dust Restoration Project.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

In December 2006, the County was awarded \$1,000,000 from the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB). The County matched this grant with \$700,000 from Measure "A" revenue. These funds have been budgeted and are designated for Final Design and Construction of Reaches 1 and 2 of the Project, which will be managed directly by the County. \$25,000 of the County's match funds was earmarked for ongoing landowner coordination and grant writing support, which is the role of the Napa County Resource Conservation District (NCRCD) under the 2004 Memorandum of Understanding for this Project. The approved \$25,000 has never been added to the NCRCD agreement, and NCRCD cannot continue to support landowner coordination on the project without amending the Agreement. Approval of the requested amendment will allow these funds to be used for land owner coordination and support as part of the preliminary design of the Project. The NCRCD Board approved this amendment at its February 14, 2008 meeting.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Public Works
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary

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Discretionary Justification:	The Board approved \$700,000 in match funds derived from Measure "A" for the \$1,000,000 SWRCB grant awarded to the County in December 2006. These matching funds included \$25,000 for landowner coordination activities associated with the Rutherford Dust Restoration Project. The County's match funds were allocated under Amendment 9 of the Measure "A" Funding Agreement between the County and NCFPWIA and are budgeted. This project is consistent with the Measure "A" ordinance approved project types for the County unincorporated area.
Is the general fund affected?	No
Future fiscal impact:	The Project is being implemented over multiple fiscal years. This amendment only commits funds for the current phase of work, which will be completed in December 2008. While additional funding requests on this project are likely, no commitments beyond the the scope of work discussed in the Amendment are being made.
Consequences if not approved:	NCRCD cannot continue to support landowner coordination on the project without amending the Agreement.
Additional Information:	

## **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) which defines a project as an action which has the potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change. This administrative funding action will not result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment, as the funds being appropriated in this action for budgetary purposes will be used for study and design activities. Upon completion of Preliminary Design, CEQA determinations shall be made on the project prior to entering into any agreement for construction activities. Accordingly, no additional CEQA review is required at this time.

## **BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

NCRCD is presently the lead entity completing the preliminary design for the Rutherford Dust Restoration Project. Preliminary design began in 2005 and will be completed this calendar year. The Rutherford Project is being funded by grants brought forward by the Rutherford Dust Society and landowner project proponents and matched by the County using Measure "A" funds. In December 2006, the County was awarded \$1,000,000 from the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB). The County matched this grant with an additional \$700,000. These funds have been budgeted and are designated for Final Design and Construction of Reaches 1 and 2; to be managed directly by the County. A portion of the County match funds (\$25,000) was earmarked for ongoing landowner coordination and grant writing support, which is the role of the NCRCD under the 2004 Memorandum of Understanding for this Project.

## **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi