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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Steven Lederer - Director of Public Works
Public Works

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SUBJECT: Approval of a Funding and Implementation Agreement with the Association of Bay Area Governments for Energy Efficiency Funding

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Public Works requests approval of and authorization for the Chairman to sign an agreement with the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) to receive a maximum of \$92,335 to deliver services related to the Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) for the term January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In November 2012, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) issued Final Decision (D)12-11-015 approving 2013-2014 Energy Efficiency Programs and Budgets. The 2012 CPUC Final Decision created the Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) and approved over \$26 million for various programs. On November 24, 2014, the CPUC issued Final Decision (D)14-10-046 extending the program through 2015. On October 28, 2015, the CPUC issued D.15-10-028 (2016 Decision) approving a BayREN Program Implementation Plan for 2016 (2016 PIP) and budget to fund implementation of the 2016 PIP. Each county in the nine county region is responsible for the local implementation of regional programs.

Napa County has been participating in the BayREN program since 2013. As the last program agreement expired as of December 31, 2015, this new agreement updates and extends the program to December 31, 2016. Grant funding in the amount of \$92,335 is currently designated for Napa County. The funds will support implementation of rebates and other energy efficiency incentives across four programs; Single Family; Multi-Family; Codes and Standards, and Financing. Approval of the agreement is required to obtain CPUC funding through the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG).

Napa County is serving as the County representative to BayREN, and will be responsible for implementing the scope of work developed for Napa County across all BayREN subprograms. Scopes of work were developed by

consensus of the nine participating counties with administration provided by the ABAG and approved by the CPUC. Participation in BayREN is key to the achievement of the GHG goals related to energy efficiency in the County.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	The item is currently budgeted in Fund: 1000 Subdivision: 1220000.
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	Participation in the Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) provides Napa County access to California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) funding through the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG). The funds support implementation of rebates and other energy efficiency incentives across four programs; Single Family; Multi-Family; Codes and Standards and Financing.
Is the general fund affected?	No
Future fiscal impact:	Since the agreement is based on a calendar year, not a fiscal year, reimbursement for grant funded staff costs will occur for the first six months of FY 2016-2017 (through December 31, 2016). The revenue and expenses related to this grant funding will be budgeted accordingly in the FY 16-17 budget.
Consequences if not approved:	If not approved, the County will not be able to participate in the 2016 BayREN Energy Efficiency Program and would not be able to market programs to property owners.

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) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

In November 2012, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) issued Final Decision (D)12-11-015 approving 2013-2014 Energy Efficiency Programs and Budgets. The Decision created the Bay Area Regional Energy Network (BayREN) and approved over \$26 million for programs including the Energy Upgrade California program, targeting single family homeowners; a multi-family rebate program; financing programs, including an expansion of the Pay As You Save (PAYS®) water efficiency pilot and work on commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE); and improvement to municipal codes and standards.

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Plan for 2016 (2016 PIP) and budget to fund implementation of the 2016 PIP. Each county in the nine county region is responsible for the local implementation of regional programs. Administration of the BayREN program is provided by ABAG. Napa County is serving as the representative to BayREN, and will be responsible for implementing the scopes of work developed for Napa County across all BayREN subprograms. The total Napa County awarded grant is \$92,335. Participation in BayREN is key to the achievement of the GHG goals related to energy efficiency in the County.

Napa County Scope of Work:

Napa County is responsible for the delivery of services across all BayREN programs. Highlights of Napa County responsibilities include:

Overall

- | Participate in the BayREN coordination and steering committees
- | Coordinate with local governments in Napa County on the implementation of energy efficiency programs by providing access to and information about BayREN programs
- | Provide monitoring, tracking, and reporting necessary to comply with grant requirement

Single Family Energy Upgrade California

- | Provide coordination with BayREN members
- | Coordinate with other local energy efficiency programs (Napa County Energy Watch, etc)
- | Conduct Napa County contractor recruitment, education, and training
- | Support regional marketing strategy development, deliver local marketing campaigns
- | Host workshops for local homeowners

Multi-Family Energy Upgrade California

- | Conduct local outreach to multi-family building owners
- | Coordinate with other local energy efficiency programs
- | Assist with data collection and reporting
- | Host technical workshops and trainings

Codes and Standards

- | Coordinate with the local Chief Building Officials
- | Host local and regional trainings
- | Support outreach related to code policy issues

Financing

- | Coordinate with regional financing program manager on the design and delivery of the commercial PACE Program, including marketing and outreach
- | Implement marketing and outreach related to BayREN financing programs
- | Host and facilitate workshops
- | Analyze PAYS program performance to identify gaps and provide recommendations

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Bret Prebula