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## Upper Valley Waste Management Agency Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Directors

**FROM:** Steven Lederer - Manager  
Upper Valley Waste Management Agency

**REPORT BY:** Steven Lederer, Director, Public Works - 259-8228

**SUBJECT:** Award Project Grants from 2020 NOFA

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

#### **NOTICE OF FUNDS AVAILABILITY**

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:** Staff to provide an analysis of Member submittals for financial support of waste related projects in response to the Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA) issued on February 10, 2020, and request for Board to take action to award funds based on those proposals.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

As a result of the 2017 fires, a large amount of debris from both Napa and Sonoma was disposed of at the Clover Flat Landfill (CFL). Since the Agency derives its revenue from the amount of waste disposed of at CFL, a significant amount of funds, beyond what is needed for the daily needs of the Agency, was accumulated. The Agency Board voiced an interest in putting this money back into the community, assisting its members in implementing projects that are related to the Agency's mission. The Board authorized issuance of a Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA), which was distributed to each of the members on February 10, 2020. There is \$400,000 available to distribute, and while there are four member jurisdictions, the Board left the actual "split" of funds to be determined by later Board action.

St. Helena and Yountville have both submitted proposed projects. The projects meet the criteria for award and, in the opinion of the Agency Manager, are beneficial and within the mission of the Agency. The Board retains the absolute discretion to award funds for the project or not, and can chose to award none, some, or all of the funds requested. The County will be submitting a similar proposal for consideration at the Board's next meeting.

### **FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	No

What is the revenue source?	UVA Reserves
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	The Board determined it would be useful to provide funds to the member agencies to perform certain projects that are within the mission of the Agency.
Is the general fund affected?	No
Future fiscal impact:	None
Consequences if not approved:	The funds will remain in the Agency reserves.
County Strategic Plan pillar addressed:	
Additional Information:	

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** General Rule. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the proposed action may have a significant effect on the environment and therefore CEQA is not applicable. [See Guidelines For the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act, 14 CCR 15061(b)(3)].

### **BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

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Yountville has requested funds to purchase equipment, specifically a new mulching lawn mower, and new trash and recycling containers and lids. The Town requests \$77,679.56.

St. Helena has requested assistance with the Money Way Recycling Consolidation Project to better manage waste in a congested portion of the downtown. The City requests \$120,000.

The Board has the absolute discretion to award funds for the project or not, and can chose to award none, some, or all of the funds requested.

Should the Board chose to award a project, the approved amounts in the Reserve Fund will be "designated" such that they cannot be used for other purposes. The member will perform the project and present documentation to the Agency Manager that the funds have been spent in accordance with their proposal and the Board approval. The

Agency Manager will return to the Board with a budget adjustment to move funds from the Reserve to the Operating budget and will reimburse the members for their appropriate expenses.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

- A . NOFA Request
- B . St. Helena Proposal
- C . Yountville Proposal
- D . Yountville--Lids
- E . Yountville Receptacles
- F . Yountville Mower

Recommendation: Approve  
Reviewed By: Steven Lederer