



CITY of CALABASAS
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

DATE: DECEMBER 29, 2022

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS

FROM: ROBERT YALDA, P.E., T.E., PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/CITY ENGINEER
BY: ALBA LEMUS, P.E., ASSOCIATE CIVIL ENGINEER

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DEPARTMENT AND CITY OF CALABASAS REGARDING THE PROPOSITION 1 ROUND 2 INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT GRANT PROGRAM

MEETING

DATE: JANUARY 11, 2023

SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:

The City Council approve the Memorandum of Understanding between West Basin Municipal Water Department and City of Calabasas regarding the Proposition 1 Round 2 Integrated Regional Water Management Grant program and to adjust the budget accordingly.

BACKGROUND:

On November 4, 2014, California voters approved Proposition 1, the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014. Proposition 1 authorized \$510 million in Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) funding. Funds are allocated to 12 hydrologic region-based Funding Areas.

- The Proposition 1 IRWM Grant Program, administered by DWR, provides funding for projects that help meet the long-term water needs of the state, including:

- Assisting water infrastructure systems adapt to climate change;
- Providing incentives throughout each watershed to collaborate in managing the region's water resources and setting regional priorities for water infrastructure; and
- Improving regional water self-reliance, while reducing reliance on Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

One of regions is the Greater Los Angeles County (GLAC) Integrated Regional Water (IRWM) Region which is comprised of five sub-regions that span from Ventura County to Orange County, including portions of both counties, and from the Pacific Ocean Coastline to the San Gabriel Mountains. The City of Calabasas is part of two sub-regions, North Santa Monica Bay and Upper Los Angeles River.

City Staff secured \$1.3 Million of grant funding through the North Santa Monica Bay group for the Las Virgenes Creek Restoration Project – Phase III. The project will help enhance the creek by constructing new trails and stabilizing the banks that were affected by the Woosley Fire.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

The GLAC IRWM region has to submit an application to the Department of Water Resources' Proposition 1 Round 2 IRWM Grant Program in order to receive the funds. West Basin Municipal Water Department obtained a consultant, Woodard and Curran, to prepare the application on behalf of the entire GLAC IRWM Region. The application will include funding for the Las Virgenes Creek Restoration Project Phase III totaling to \$1.3 Million. The total cost of the consultant's services is estimated to be \$115,536.00 for 17 projects. The total cost will be divided by the 17 projects. This will result in a total cost to the City of Calabasas of \$5,313.88.

The City of Calabasas will need to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with West Basin Municipal Water Department agreeing to share the costs for the services being provided by Woodard and Curran to proceed with the submission of the application.

FISCAL IMPACT/SOURCE OF FUNDING:

The total implementation cost will be approximately \$115,536.00 for 17 projects seeking funding to be included in the application. The total cost to the City of Calabasas to include one project, Las Virgenes Creek Restoration Project Phase III, is \$5,313.88.

The source of funding will be Fund 62 Measure W – Safe Clean Water Program.

REQUESTED ACTION:

The City Council approve the Memorandum of Understanding between West Basin Municipal Water Department and City of Calabasas regarding the Proposition 1 Round 2 Integrated Regional Water Management Grant program and to adjust the budget accordingly.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A - Memorandum of Understanding