



Mendocino County

Legislation Text

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To: Public Health, Safety and Resources Standing Committee

From: Water Agency

Meeting Date: August 15, 2022

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Time Allocated: 1.5 Hours

Agenda Title:

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Draft Mendocino County Water Agency Implementation Plan, Attachment "A" for Scenario #1 Mendocino County Water Resource Team, Attachment "B" for Scenario #1 Water Resource Specialist RFP; Update from Mendocino County Water Agency Funding Ad Hoc Committee Regarding Re-establishment of a Stand-Alone Mendocino County Water Agency; and Direction to Staff as Appropriate (Countywide)

Recommended Action/Motion:

Accept update from the Stand-Alone Mendocino County Water Agency Funding Ad Hoc Committee; Review & discuss the attachments, DRAFT Mendocino County Water Agency Implementation Plan, Attachment "A" for Scenario #1 Mendocino County Water Resource Team, Attachment "B" for Scenario #1 Water Resource Specialist RFP; report out from Mendocino County Water Agency Funding Ad Hoc Committee regarding re-establishment of a stand-alone Mendocino County Water Agency; and provide direction to staff as appropriate (Countywide).

Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:

On June 8, 2021, the Board of Supervisors directed the Executive Office to proceed with re-establishing the Mendocino County Water agency as a stand-alone agency.

On October 19, 2021, the Board of Supervisors Agenda Item 5b) Discussion and possible action including adoption of resolution approving the Department of Transportation Agreement Number (No.) 210054, Professional Services Agreement with GEI Consultants, Inc. in the amount of \$306,808 for the term starting upon execution of the agreement through December 31, 2022, for the re-establishment of a stand-alone Mendocino County Water agency.

On March 15, 2022, the Board created a Funding Ad Hoc of Supervisors Haschak and McGourty, to work with GEI Consultants Inc. on a funding plan for the re-establishment of a stand-alone Mendocino County Water Agency.

On May 17, 2022, the Board of Supervisors Agenda Item 4c) Discussion and possible action including acceptance of update regarding re-establishment of a stand-alone Mendocino County Water Agency and update from Funding Ad Hoc Committee.

On August 2, 2022, the Board of Supervisors Agenda Item 4c) Re-establishment of the stand-alone Water Agency by implementation of Scenario #1 "Mendocino County Water Resources Team" (MCWRT) based in US Cooperative Extension (UCCE) with a consultant supported by various other County departments and divisions in addition to UCCE staff. The Board directed that any consultant agreement has specific tasks and deliverables and that assistance be given for grants and implementation in all five Supervisorial Districts as part of the Consultant Scope of Services.

Summary of Request/Referral:

Discuss and provide direction to staff as appropriate.

Scenario #1 - Form a MCWRT in collaboration with the Executive Office/Grants Team to assist in grants application, compliance, and reporting.

Move current Water Agency to co-locate with UCCE - see Attachment "A" for Scenario #1 Mendocino County Water Resource Team.

UCCE performs basic support including Director, Office Services Supervisor, Ag Technician, and office space	\$12,112
Contract Water Resource Specialist - to support drought Ad Hoc Committee, identify funding for critical studies and infrastructure needs in Mendocino County communities and water service providers, form a Water Resource Team that can serve the functions of a Mendocino County Water Agency	\$225,776
UCCE provides collaboration with Samuel Sandoval from University of Davis Water Resources Planning and Management, and David J. Lewis, from UCCE Marin/Napa County - Geology, Hydrologic Science	<u>\$12,112</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$250,000</u>

Supplemental Information Available Online At:

<https://www.mendocinocounty.org/government/mendocino-county-water-agency>

Fiscal Details:

source of funding: Grant Funds-PG&E Settlement

current f/y cost: \$250,000

annual recurring cost: Unknown currently

budget clarification: Assumes that by Fiscal Year 2023-24 \$191,000 normal Water Agency workload and revenue has been absorbed by the MCWRT at UCCE. Important to recognize that one department UCCE needs responsible for the budget and then allocate approved expenditures to other MCWRT by inter-budget cost appl

budgeted in current f/y: Yes

if no, please describe:

revenue agreement: N/A

CEO Liaison: Sara Pierce, Acting Deputy CEO

CEO Review: Yes

CEO Comments:

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Executed By: Atlas Pearson, Deputy Clerk II

Final Status: No Action Taken

Date: AUGUST 16, 2022

