



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Health System



Date: July 2, 2015
Board Meeting Date: September 1, 2015
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Louise Rogers, Chief, Health System
Heather Forshey, Director, Environmental Health

Subject: Application and Acceptance of Used Oil Competitive Grant Funds from the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing the Health System on behalf of the County of San Mateo to apply for and accept all available Used Oil Competitive Grant Program funds from the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery for fiscal years July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2020.

BACKGROUND:

San Mateo County serves as the lead for the County and its incorporated cities with respect to used oil grants. Environmental Health (EH) manages its Used Oil Program (Program) to ensure that used oil does not pose a threat to public health or the environment. The California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) grants funds to EH, which provides services related to used oil and oil filter recycling, as well as education and environmental protection programs for the public.

CalRecycle requires annual applications from the County and a Board Resolution authorizing the applications.

DISCUSSION:

This grant is a source of revenue for programs designed to alleviate the fiscal burden of used oil program operations.

The Program is vital in ensuring the public's health and safety, collecting over 124,000 gallons of oil for recycling annually. The program assists residents with managing their used motor oil properly, diverting it from landfills, and protecting the environment from pollutants. EH currently receives funds from CalRecycle's annual Used Oil Payment

Program, awarded to local governments to develop and maintain used oil and filter collection programs. EH has also received one competitive used oil grant in the past five years to remove and relocate the used oil and filter recycling tanks at Pillar Point Harbor.

Grantees are generally allowed a three-week turnaround to execute a grant agreement. Authorization is therefore being requested to allow the Chief of the Health System on behalf of San Mateo County to approve all necessary applications, contracts, payment requests, agreements, amendments and all documents necessary for the purposes of securing grant funds; implement the approved grant projects; and carry out the purposes specified in the grant applications for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2020.

The resolution has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form.

The ability to apply for and manage the grants contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of an Environmentally Conscious Community by securing funding and encouraging San Mateo County residents to protect the environment by appropriately disposing of used oil and filters. It is anticipated that 10,500 households will be served by the Program in the next fiscal year due to the increased ability to inform the public of appropriate disposal options and pollution prevention alternatives.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):

Measure	FY 2014-15 Actual	FY 2015-16 Projected
Number of households served by the Household Hazardous Waste Program	10,000	10,500

FISCAL IMPACT:

The resolution will authorize the Chief of the Health System, on behalf of the County of San Mateo to apply for and accept all available grant funds for the Used Oil Competitive Grant Program from CalRecycle during the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2020. The appropriations and revenue are included in Environmental Health's FY 2015-2016 Recommended Budget. Similar arrangements will be made in future budget years. There is no net county cost associated with this resolution.