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August 18, 2009

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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AUGUST 18, 2009

Sachi A. Hamai
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**BIG TUJUNGA DAM SEISMIC REHABILITATION
AND SPILLWAY MODIFICATION PROJECT
ACCEPTANCE OF ADDITIONAL HAZARD
MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS, ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to accept additional Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funds in the amount of \$9,573,370 approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency for the Big Tujunga Dam Seismic Rehabilitation and Spillway Modification Project in the Angeles National Forest.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Accept additional Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency in the amount \$9,573,370, which increases the total grant amount to \$16,894,168 for the Big Tujunga Dam Seismic Rehabilitation and Spillway Modification Project, located in the Angeles National Forest, and authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to conduct business with California Emergency Management Agency and Federal Emergency Management Agency on any and all matters related to this grant including, but not limited to, signing requests for reimbursement.

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PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to accept additional Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), which will allow the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD) to invoice and receive reimbursement of an additional \$9,573,370 for the Big Tujunga Dam Seismic Rehabilitation and Spillway Modification Project. This action will increase the current approved HMGP funding from \$7,320,798 to \$16,894,168.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3) and Public Safety (Goal 5). Accepting the additional funds will partially offset the cost of this project, which enriches the lives of Los Angeles County residents by meeting State seismic requirements to improve public safety and restoring reservoir capacity to enhance local water conservation.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund. The additional HMGP funds of \$9,573,370 will partially offset the project costs.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On June 26, 2007, your Board approved a construction contract with Shimmick Construction Company for the Big Tujunga Dam Seismic Rehabilitation and Spillway Modification Project in the amount of \$88,533,680. California Emergency Management Agency, previously California Office of Emergency Services, as Grantee, informed Public Works, Subgrantee, that FEMA approved the additional HMGP funding for the project based on a revised Benefit Cost Analysis for this project.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

In accordance with Section 15378(b)(4) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, approval of the recommended action does not constitute a project and, hence, is not subject to the requirements of CEQA.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the additional HMGP funds will partially fund implementation of this important project to increase the amount of local water conservation and improve seismic safety.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Water Resources Division.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER

Director

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c: Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)
County Counsel
Executive Office