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The Honorable Board of Directors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Dear Directors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

1-P April 7, 2015


PATRICK O'QUINN
ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**ALLOCATE SPECIFIED, COMPETITIVE, CITIES, AND COUNTY EXCESS FUNDS
AVAILABLE TO THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT,
AUTHORIZE AWARD, AND ADMINISTRATION OF GRANTS
FOR VARIOUS PROJECTS
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Approval of the recommended actions will allocate a total not to exceed amount of \$5,497,000, which consists of \$2,456,000 in Specified Excess Funds, \$1,947,493 in Competitive Excess Funds, \$993,507 in Cities Excess Funds, and \$100,000 in County Excess Funds, available to the Fifth Supervisorial District, for grants to various recipients for development and improvement projects.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Find that the proposed projects for the grantees listed below are categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated herein and the reasons reflected in the record of the projects.
2. Allocate Specified Excess Funds available to the Fifth Supervisorial District in a total amount not to exceed \$2,456,000 for grants as follows:
 - a. City of Arcadia - \$250,000
 - b. City of Burbank - \$250,000
 - c. City of Duarte - \$25,000
 - d. City of San Gabriel - \$250,000
 - e. City of South Pasadena - \$250,000
 - f. City of Temple City - \$240,000

- g. City of Los Angeles - \$250,000
- h. County of Los Angeles, Department of Parks and Recreation - \$500,000
- i. Mountain Recreation and Conservation Authority - \$191,000
- j. Rose Bowl Aquatic Center - \$250,000

3. Allocate Competitive Excess Funds available to the Fifth Supervisorial District in a total amount not to exceed \$1,947,493 for grants as follows:

- k. City of Bradbury - \$24,000
- l. City of Covina - \$250,000
- m. City of Glendale - \$11,493
- n. City of Glendora - \$250,000
- o. City of La Verne - \$42,000
- p. City of Lancaster - \$250,000
- q. County of Los Angeles, Department of Parks and Recreation - \$870,000
- r. North East Trees - \$250,000

4. Allocate Cities Excess Funds available to the Fifth Supervisorial District in a total amount not to exceed \$993,507 for grants as follows:

- s. City of Glendale - \$143,507
- t. City of Monrovia - \$250,000
- u. City of Palmdale - \$250,000
- v. City of San Dimas - \$250,000
- w. City of San Marino - \$100,000

5. Allocate County Excess Funds available to the Fifth Supervisorial District not to exceed \$100,000 for the County of Los Angeles, Department of Parks and Recreation, for its Castaic Sports Complex Skate Park Project in the amount of \$50,000, and the Val Verde Park Pool Renovation Project in the amount of \$50,000.

6. Authorize the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, in his capacity as Director of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, to award grants to the identified grantees, in the total not to exceed amount of \$5,497,000, for the identified projects when applicable conditions have been met, and to administer the grants as of the date of award and pursuant to guidelines in the Procedural Guide for Specified, Per Parcel, and Excess Funds Projects; otherwise, funds shall remain in the Excess Funds account.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will allocate a total not to exceed amount of \$5,497,000, which consists of \$2,456,000 in Specified Excess Funds, \$1,947,493 in Competitive Excess Funds, \$993,507 in Cities Excess Funds, and \$100,000 in County Excess Funds, available to the Fifth Supervisorial District, pursuant to the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 (1996 Proposition), for various projects as follows:

Specified Excess Funds

- \$250,000 to the City of Arcadia for its Santa Anita Wash Trail Improvements Project;
- \$250,000 to the City of Burbank for its Earthwalk Park Playground Replacement and Landscape

Improvements Project;

- \$25,000 to the City of Duarte for its Duarte Fish Canyon Falls Trail Improvements Project;
- \$250,000 to the City of San Gabriel for its Vincent Lugo Park Picnic Shelters Development Project;
- \$250,000 to the City of South Pasadena for its Arroyo Seco Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail Development Project;
- \$240,000 to the City of Temple City for its Live Oak Park Walking/Jogging Path Project;
- \$250,000 to the City of Los Angeles for its Chatsworth Park South Playground Equipment Project;
- \$250,000 to the County of Los Angeles, Department of Parks and Recreation for its Crescenta Valley Park Skate Park Project;
- \$250,000 to the County of Los Angeles, Department of Parks and Recreation for its Pamela Park Rehabilitation Project;
- \$161,000 to Mountain Recreation and Conservation Authority for its Ed Davis Park at Towsley Canyon Improvements Project;
- \$30,000 to Mountain Recreation and Conservation Authority for its Marge Feinberg Rim of the Valley Trail Improvements Project; and
- \$250,000 to the Rose Bowl Aquatic Center for its Aquatic Therapy, Rehabilitation and Wellness Center Project.

Competitive Excess Funds

- \$24,000 to the City of Bradbury for its Bradbury Phase III Park Development Project;
- \$250,000 to the City of Covina for its Joslyn Center ADA and Beautification Improvements Project;
- \$11,493 to the City of Glendale for its Fitness in the Parks Project;
- \$250,000 to the City of Glendora for its Carty Property Multipurpose and Bathroom Project;
- \$42,000 to the City of La Verne for its Senior/Community Center HVAC Improvement Project;
- \$250,000 to the City of Lancaster for its Eastside Pool Refurbishment Project;
- \$250,000 to the County of Los Angeles, Department of Parks and Recreation for its Frank G. Bonelli Fishing Pier Repair Project;
- \$250,000 to the County of Los Angeles, Department of Parks and Recreation for its Castaic Sports Complex Skate Park Project;
- \$120,000 to the County of Los Angeles, Department of Parks and Recreation for its Stephen Sorensen Park Play Area Shade Structure Project;
- \$250,000 to the County of Los Angeles, Department of Parks and Recreation for its Val Verde Park Pool Renovation Project; and
- \$250,000 to North East Trees for its Horace Mann Elementary School Greening Project.

Cities Excess Funds

- \$143,507 to the City of Glendale for its Fitness in the Park Project;
- \$250,000 to the City of Monrovia for its Julian Fisher Park Improvements Project;
- \$250,000 to the City of Palmdale for its McAdam Pool Rehabilitation Project;
- \$250,000 to the City of San Dimas for its Marchant Park Recreation Building Rehabilitation Project; and
- \$100,000 to the City of San Marino for its Old Mill Restoration Project.

County Excess Funds

- \$50,000 to the County of Los Angeles, Department of Parks and Recreation for its Castaic Sports Complex Skate Park Project; and
- \$50,000 to the County of Los Angeles, Department of Parks and Recreation for its Val Verde Park Pool Renovation Project.

It is also recommended that the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation (Director), in his capacity as Director of the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, be authorized to award grants to the identified grantees when applicable conditions have been met. Applicable conditions include grantee qualifications, consistency between the projects and requirements of the 1996 Proposition and grantee agreement with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements for the projects, if applicable. It is further recommended that the Director be authorized to administer the grants pursuant to the Procedural Guide previously approved by the Board.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The proposed recommendations further the Board-approved County Strategic Plan Goal of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1) by enhancing health-promoting activities through various improvement and development projects in the Fifth Supervisorial District.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Sufficient appropriation for the grants in the amount of \$5,497,000 is budgeted in the Fifth Supervisorial District's portion of Regional Park and Open Space District's (RPOSD) Excess Funds Project Fund, HD6.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The 1996 Proposition requires that agencies to which funds were allocated under the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996 encumber all such funds prior to receiving grants of Excess Funds. The various grantees identified in these recommended grants meet this requirement.

The 1996 Proposition provides a method for determining, each fiscal year, the amount of funds available in the following fiscal year to fund capital improvement projects, in addition to the amounts specifically identified for projects in the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996. The recommended Excess Funds grants would be funded from the Excess Funds available to the Fifth Supervisorial District for Specified, Competitive, Cities, and County Projects.

The Board may establish additional conditions on grants of Excess Funds. The Director would be authorized to award grants to the various grantees when all applicable conditions have been met. Any funds allocated by the Board, but not encumbered by award of a grant contract in the same fiscal year, shall be available for allocation by the Board in the following fiscal year.

On June 2, 2009, the Board approved the Procedural Guide for governing the administration of RPSOD grants. The Procedural Guide will also govern the administration of the recommended additional grants.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

All projects funded by RPOSD are required to comply with CEQA as a condition of the grant. The lead agency is responsible for preparing the appropriate environmental documentation for the Project. The cities of Arcadia, Bradbury, Burbank, Covina, Duarte, Glendale, Glendora, La Verne, Lancaster, Los Angeles, Monrovia, Palmdale, San Dimas, San Gabriel, San Marino, South

Pasadena, and Temple City are the lead agencies for their respective projects. The County of Los Angeles is the lead agency for its respective projects. RPOSD is the lead agency for the projects by the Rose Bowl Aquatic Center and North East Trees. The Mountains Recreation Conservation Authority is the lead agency for its respective projects.

The City of Arcadia's proposed Santa Anita Wash Trail Improvements Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of redesign, relocation, and reconstruction of portions of the Santa Anita Wash Trail, and installation of fencing, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15301(c), 15303(e), and 15304(a) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Classes 1(f), 3(b), and 4(a) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves minor alteration of existing multi-purpose trail, construction of small new facilities or structures, and minor alterations in the condition of land.

The City of Bradbury's proposed Bradbury Phase III Park Development Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of installation of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible picnic tables, ADA accessible concrete ramp from the parking lot, and smart-controlled irrigation system; construction of trail paths and infiltration area to manage storm water runoff; and new landscaping, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15303(e) and 15304(a)(b) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Classes 3(b) and 4(a)(c) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves construction of small new facilities or structures, minor alterations in the condition of land, and new landscaping.

The City of Burbank's proposed Earthwalk Park Playground Replacement and Landscape Improvement Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of replacement of playground equipment; installation of new shade structure and a new rubberized surface around the entire play area; and new landscaping, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15302, 15303(e) and 15304(b) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Classes 2(a), 3(b) and 4(c) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves replacement of existing structures, installation of small new facilities or structures, and new landscaping.

The City of Covina's proposed Joslyn Center ADA and Beautification Improvement Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of renovation of the existing interior restrooms; improvements to the existing parking lot to include widening of the front park entrance and resurfacing of the existing parking lot; and construction of a new lighted parking lot near the front of the building to increase senior and park participant parking, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15301(a)(d), 15304(a), and 15311(b) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Classes 1(c)(d), 4(a), and 11(a) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves repair and renovation of existing structures, minor alterations in the condition of land, and construction of a small parking lot.

The City of Duarte's proposed Duarte Fish Canyon Falls Trail Improvements Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of rehabilitation of approximately 1.6 miles of hiking trail to Fish Canyon Falls, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15301(c) and 15304(a) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Classes 1(f) and 4(a) of the County's Environmental

Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves minor alteration of an existing hiking trail, and minor alterations in the condition of land.

The City of Glendale's proposed Fitness in the Parks Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of provision of outdoor and indoor fitness equipment at three park facilities in underserved portions of the community with the specific target of at-risk-youth and seniors, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Section 15303(e) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Class 3(b) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves installation of small new structures.

The City of Glendora's proposed Carty Property Multipurpose and Bathroom Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of demolition and removal of an existing single family home and construction of a multi-purpose room and ADA accessible restrooms in Finkbiner Park, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15301(l) and 15303 of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Classes 1(h) and 3 of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves demolition of a single family residence and construction of small new facilities or structures.

The City of La Verne's proposed Senior/Community Center HVAC Improvements is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of construction and installation of a new heating, ventilating, and air conditioning system in the Senior/Community Center kitchen, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Section 15303(d) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Class 3 of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves construction and installation of an utility system.

The City of Lancaster's proposed Eastside Pool Refurbishment is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of improvements and additions to the 31 year-old indoor Eastside Pool aquatics facility to include painting of the interior of the pool structure, re-surfacing of the pool deck, purchasing and installing new partitions of the restrooms and showers, the addition of a variable speed pool pump, improvements to the lifeguard office and floor, and re-grouting of the shower tile, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15301(a)(d) and 15303(e) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Classes 1(c)(d) and 3(b) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves repair and renovation of existing structures and installation of accessory structures.

The City of Monrovia's proposed Julian Fisher Park Improvements Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of replacement of three outdoor basketball courts and lighting; construction of a swale for water retention; and renovation of the park entry area to feature drought tolerant landscape, permeable concrete, and signage, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15302, 15303(e) and 15304(a)(b) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Classes 2(a), 3(b) and 4(a)(c) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves replacement of existing facilities, construction of small new structures, minor alterations in the condition of land, and new landscaping.

The City of Palmdale's proposed McAdam Pool Rehabilitation Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of repairs and upgrades to the existing McAdam pool, including

installation of a new pool liner and chemical containment, upgrades to pool equipment, and provision of ADA upgrades in the pool building, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15301(a)(d) and 15303(e) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Classes 1(c)(d) and 3(b) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves repair and renovation of existing structures at an existing facility and installation of small new structures.

The City of San Dimas' proposed Marchant Park Recreation Building Rehabilitation Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of building expansion, interior improvements, restroom modifications, structural adjustments to interior spaces, restoration of interior and exterior finishes, and accessibility upgrades, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Section 15301(a)(d)(e) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Class 1(c)(d)(g) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves interior and exterior alterations, addition to an existing building, and rehabilitation of an existing facility.

The City of San Gabriel's proposed Vincent Lugo Park Picnic Shelters Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of site preparation and installation of picnic shelters at Vincent Lugo Park, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Section 15303(e) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Class 3(b) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves installation of accessory structures.

The City of San Marino's proposed Old Mill Restoration Project is categorically exempt from CEQA according to Sections 15301(a)(d), 15303(e), 15304(b) and 15331 of the State CEQA Guidelines and Classes 1(c)(d), 3(b), and 4(c) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project, which involves replacement and rehabilitation of the existing structures and facilities, installation of accessory structures, and landscaping, is consistent with the Secretary of Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for the Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings (1995) Weeks and Grimmer. In addition, the project is not in a sensitive environment, and there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, or other limiting factors that would make use of the exemption inapplicable based on the project records.

The City of South Pasadena's proposed Arroyo Seco Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of construction of a bicycle and pedestrian path with amenities such as a pedestrian access gate, shade structures, benches, water fountains, signage, and native/drought tolerant plants in the Arroyo Seco, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15303(e) and 15304(a)(b) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Classes 3(b) and 4(a)(c) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves construction of small new structures, minor alterations in the condition of land, and new landscaping.

The City of Temple City's proposed Live Oak Park Walking/Jogging Path Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of installation of an approximately 1/2 mile rubberized walking/jogging path at Live Oak Park, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in

Section 15304(a) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Class 4(a) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves construction of small new structures and minor alterations in the condition of land.

The City of Los Angeles' proposed Chatsworth Park South Playground Equipment Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of installation of playground equipment, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Section 15303(e) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Class 3(b) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves installation of small new structures.

The County of Los Angeles' proposed Frank G. Bonelli Fishing Pier Repair Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of repairs to the three wooden fishing piers on the south shore of Puddingstone Reservoir, including painting and installing benches and signage, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15301(a)(d) and 15303(e) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Classes 1(c)(d) and 3(b) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves repair and renovation of existing structures at an existing facility and installation of small new structures.

The County of Los Angeles' proposed Crescenta Valley Park Skate Park Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of construction of an approximately 9,000 square-foot in-ground concrete skate park and various other amenities, is within certain classes of project that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15303 and 15034 (a) of the State CEQA Guidelines and Classes 3 and 4(a) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves construction of small new facilities or structures and minor alterations to land.

The County of Los Angeles' proposed Castaic Sports Complex Skate Park Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of construction of an approximately 6,000 square-foot in-ground concrete skate park and various other amenities, is within certain classes of project that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15303 and 15034(a) of the State CEQA Guidelines and Classes 3 and 4(a) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves construction of small new facilities or structures and minor alterations to land.

The County of Los Angeles' proposed Pamela Park Refurbishment Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of expansion of the community building by approximately 1,300 square feet to construct a crafts room and storage room; installation of a new HVAC system, windows, doors, lighting, and drinking fountains; and upgrading the restrooms to meet ADA requirements, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15301(a)(d)(e) and 15303(e) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Classes 1(c)(d)(g) and 3(b) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves interior and exterior alterations, addition to the existing building, rehabilitation of an existing facility, and installation of small structures.

The County of Los Angeles' proposed Stephen Sorensen Park Play Area Shade Structure Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of removal of paving and installation of

an approximately 5,000 square-foot shade structure over the existing children's playground, is within certain classes of project that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that they meet the criteria set forth in Sections 15303(e) and 15034(a) of the State CEQA Guidelines and Classes 3(b) and 4(a) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves installation of small new structures and minor alterations to land.

The County of Los Angeles' proposed Val Verde Park Pool Renovation Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of pool renovations, including repairs to the deck around the pool, re-plastering and re-tiling the recreational pool, removal of the wading pool, and installation of a new deck with shade structure over wading pool area, is within certain classes of project that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that they meet the criteria set forth in Sections 15301(a)(d) and 15303(e) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Classes 1(c)(d) and 3(b) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves repair and renovation of existing structures at an existing facility and installation of small new structures.

The Rose Bowl Aquatic Center's proposed Aquatic Therapy, Rehabilitation, and Wellness Center Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of construction of a 3,395 square foot Therapy, Rehabilitation, and Wellness Center with amenities for locker rooms with wide showers, toilet stalls, walkways, and benches, is within certain classes of project that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that they meet the criteria set forth in Sections 15303 and 15034 (a) of the State CEQA Guidelines and Classes 3 and 4 (a) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves construction of small new facilities or structures and minor alterations to land.

North East Trees' proposed Horace Mann Elementary School Greening Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of removal of approximately 10,000 square feet of asphalt from the playground at Mann Elementary School to make room for large canopy shade trees and other native plantings, and creation of approximately 8,000 square feet of shaded passive recreation and green areas at the school, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Section 15304(a)(b) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Class 4(a)(c) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves minor alterations in the condition of land and new landscaping.

The Mountains Recreation Conservation Authority's proposed Ed Davis Park at Towsley Canyon Infrastructure Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of rehabilitation and improvement to the existing pool facility and efficiency improvements to the existing irrigation system, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Section 15301(a)(d) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Class 1(c)(d) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves interior and exterior alterations and rehabilitation of an existing facility.

The Mountains Recreation Conservation Authority's proposed Marge Feinberg Rim of the Valley Trail Infrastructure Improvements Project is categorically exempt from CEQA. The project, which consists of rehabilitation of trailhead amenities such as trail markers, trailhead gateway, informational trail map, and commemorative plaque, is within certain classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Sections 15301(c) and 15303(e) of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Classes 1(f) and 3(b) of the County's

Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the project involves minor alteration of existing trail and construction of accessory structures.

The aforementioned proposed projects include no expansion of an existing use, meaning structures replaced will be located on the same site as existing structures and will have the same purpose and capacity, and the proposed projects will not involve the removal of healthy, mature, or scenic trees. Additionally, the proposed projects are not in a sensitive environment, and there are no cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, or other limiting factors that would make the exemption inapplicable based on the proposed projects records.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Grant Project Agreements will be entered into and administered under authority delegated to the Director, and pursuant to the Procedural Guide approved by the Board in 2009, only if all applicable conditions of the grants have been met, and the Project Agreements have been approved as to form by County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The recommended projects will promote healthy activities in public spaces in the Fifth Supervisorial District.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this action to the Chief Executive Office, Facilities and Asset Management Division, and one copy to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Russ Guiney".

RUSS GUINEY

Director

RG:JB:WRO:tb

c: Interim Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Acting Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors