

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



ITEM: 3.66  
(ID # 13142)

**MEETING DATE:**  
Tuesday, August 04, 2020

**FROM:** TRANSPORTATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY (TLMA):

**SUBJECT:** TLMA -TRANSPORTATION & LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY: Resolution No. 2020-187 authorizing an application for, and acceptance of, a community planning assistance grant from the Department of Defense, Office of Economic Assistance for a Compatible Use Study formerly known as a Joint Land Use Study (JLUS) for March Air Reserve Base. Districts 1 and 5. [\$12,600 Total Cost - 100% General Fund ALUC Budget]

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2020-187 (Attachment A) ratifying and approving the application for, and acceptance of, the Community Planning Assistance Grant from the Department of Defense, Office of Economic Assistance (hereinafter referred to as the "Grant") to provide funding for the preparation of a Compatible Use Study for March Air Reserve Base ("March ARB"), designate the Riverside County Airport Land Use Commission (RCALUC) as the sponsor for the Study;
2. Authorize the Assistant CEO/TLMA Director or designee thereof to sign any necessary documents related to, and administer all actions required for the application and acceptance of the Grant funds on behalf of the County of Riverside; and
3. Direct TLMA to establish a March ARB Compatible Use Study special fund for accounting of the Federal funds and matching funds.

**ACTION:** Policy

Juan C. Perez, Director of Transportation & Land Management

7/28/2020

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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Jeffries, seconded by Supervisor Spiegel and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Date: August 4, 2020  
xc: TLMA

Kecia R. Harper  
Clerk of the Board

By:   
Deputy

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<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	<b>Current Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Next Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Total Cost:</b>	<b>Ongoing Cost</b>
<b>COST</b>	\$420,000	\$210,000	\$630,000	\$0
<b>NET COUNTY COST</b>	\$12,600	\$0	\$12,600	\$0
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS:</b> General Fund Portion of ALUC Budget.  Over the 18 month project, the total share of matching funds will be \$12,600. \$5,000 in cash and \$7,600 in personnel time.			<b>Budget Adjustment:</b> No	
			<b>For Fiscal Year:</b> 20/21-21/22	

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:** Approve

**BACKGROUND:**

March Air Reserve Base is an essential component of Riverside County's economy, estimated to contribute over \$580 million annually. It is imperative that the County and neighboring cities work together to preserve March ARB's long-term operational capacity, by planning for appropriate development around the base which is compatible with March ARB's mission and functionality.

In 2010, the County of Riverside, March ARB, March Joint Powers Authority, City of Moreno Valley, City of Perris and City of Riverside jointly participated in and adopted the 2010 March ARB/Inland Port Joint Land Use Study (2010 JLUS). That study was financed by a Department of Defense, Office of Economic Assistance grant with local financial support from the five stakeholders of funds and staff time. In 2014, the Riverside County Airport Land Use Commission adopted the 2014 March ARB/Inland Port Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan, based in large part on the 2010 JLUS. The March ARB issued the Air Installation Compatibility Use Zone Study was updated in February 2018.

In June 2018, the March ARB Base Commander requested that the surrounding communities agree to update the Joint Land Use Study, in recognition that it would be a multi-year effort to compete for Federal grants, prepare an updated land use study in cooperation with the County and Cities that form the March JPA, and then update the related plans that implement such study. The March JPA began the Federal grant application process shortly thereafter, and has asked that the County's Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC) be the lead agency in the study preparation and administration, in recognition of the technical expertise of ALUC personnel in airport compatibility planning.

In June 2020, the Department of Defense, Office of Economic Assistance approved a grant application from the County of Riverside for financial assistance with preparation of a joint land use study, now titled Compatible Use Study for the March ARB. The Grant includes \$567,000.00 in Federal Funds and \$63,000.00 in Local Contributions for a total amount of \$630,000.00. Given the need for timely County approval of these funds, the Assistant



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CEO/TLMA Director approved the grant on June 16, 2020 on behalf of the County, and the attached Resolution ratifies such approval.

The Local Match of \$63,000.00 is intended to be shared equally by the five stakeholders (County, Moreno Valley, Perris, Riverside and the March JPA), which will be memorialized through a Memorandum of Understanding for the Board's future consideration. The Riverside County portion of the Local Match is expected to be \$5,000.00 cash and \$7,600.00 in kind for a total of \$12,600.00. A special March ARB Compatible Use Study fund will be created by TLMA to keep track of the Federal Funds, Local Contributions and future expenditures of the project.

**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

The economic benefit from the continuing operation of March Air Reserve Base is a vital component of the regional economy. A study of "MARCH AIR RESERVE BASE ECONOMIC IMPACTS ANALYSIS" was commissioned by the Riverside County Economic Development Agency. (Rose Institute of State and Local Government, Claremont McKenna College, January 14, 2016). It concluded that the "Total annual economic impact on the Inland Southern California region (Riverside and San Bernardino counties) is estimated to be \$579 Million." Annual payroll to civilians and military personnel by units examined was \$267M.

There is a demonstrated need for the Cities of Moreno Valley, Riverside, Perris and the County of Riverside to work cooperatively to protect March ARB's long-term viability through participation in the Compatible Use Study, so that adjacent development does not restrict the Base's functionality, and thereby reduce March ARB's vulnerability to a future Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process.

**Additional Fiscal Information**

The Compatible Use Study will include the Joint Environmental Assessment (EA) and Initial Study (IS) to identify if NEPA and CEQA compliance is necessary and the level of compliance for the recommendations. The CUS recommendations will address how to limit development in the "Clear Zones" and "Airport Protection Zones" to the standards set by the Department of Defense and be incorporated in amending the 2014 March ARB/Inland Port Airport Land Use Plan. The Study will also identify best practices to address other issues that may potentially affect the Base such as ground water levels, storm water mitigation, and design landscaping to protect air operations from bird strike hazards.

**Contract History and Price Reasonableness**

The OEA Grant provides for the Riverside County ALUC to manage the Study process, including 1) establish the Policy Committee of elected officials (March JPA members, Congressional representatives, and include the March ARB Command) and the Working Group of senior staff (March JPA Technical Advisory Committee) to guide the study; 2) retain a Consultant by a RFP specific to the Study tasks 3) lead public outreach about the Study and circulate drafts; and 4) assist in having the Study adopted by the local jurisdictions.

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A – Resolution No. 2020-187

Attachment A.1 – Notice of Award

  
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Gregory L. Priamos, Director County Counsel 7/28/2020



3 RESOLUTION NO. 2020-187

5 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE  
6 TO SUPPORT THE CREATION OF A COMPATIBLE USE STUDY (FORMERLY KNOWN AS A  
7 JOINT LAND USE STUDY) TO ASSURE COMPATIBLE LAND USES NEAR MARCH AIR  
8 RESERVE BASE AND TO PROTECT THE FUTURE AVIATION OPERATIONS OF  
9 THE UNITED STATES MILITARY

11 WHEREAS, the economic benefit from the continuing operation of March Air Reserve  
12 Base (March ARB) is a vital component of the regional economy estimated to be approximately \$579  
13 Million Dollars annually, and thus protection of its operational capacity is vital to the local and regional  
14 economy; and

15 WHEREAS, there is a demonstrated need for the Cities of Riverside, Moreno Valley,  
16 Perris and the County of Riverside and the March Joint Powers Authority to work cooperatively to protect  
17 the public health, safety, and welfare through participation in a Compatible Use Study (CUS) (formerly  
18 known as Joint Land Use Study), and follow implementation of appropriate measures to assure  
19 compatible development around March ARB.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of  
21 Riverside, in regular session assembled on August 4, 2020, that the Board of Supervisors shall pledge  
22 support and participation in the process of creating the CUS.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors ratifies and approves the  
24 application for and acceptance of the Community Planning Assistance Grant from the Department of  
25 Defense, Office of Economic Assistance (Attachment A.1) to provide funding for the preparation of the  
26 CUS for March ARB.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors designates the Riverside  
28 County Airport Land Use Commission (RCALUC) as the appropriate sponsor for the CUS.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the RCALUC will establish the March Policy  
2 Committee and the March Working Group. The March Policy Committee will provide policy direction,  
3 study design oversight, budget approval, monitoring, and support for the CUS report adoption.  
4 Committee members will be drawn from the membership of the JPA and expanded to include March  
5 ARB Command, RCALUC and local congressional district representatives. The members will include  
6 elected officials, appointed officials (or their designees). The March Working Group will provide  
7 guidance to the Consultant, and its members will be appointed by the jurisdictions and entities represented  
8 on the March Policy Committee. It will also be assisted by additional agencies as technical experts as  
9 necessary.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors commits to provide in-kind  
11 technical support and financial support for the preparation of the CUS. The commitment of technical  
12 support shall have a cost value of at least \$7,600.00. The commitment of financial support shall not  
13 exceed \$5,000.00 and the Board of Supervisors certifies that such matching funds will be available.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors commits to use its best  
15 efforts to implement appropriate recommendations identified in the CUS to assure that only compatible  
16 development will occur in the Clear Zones, Accident Potential Zones, and the areas within the March Air  
17 Reserve Base/Inland Port Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan to protect the future aviation operations of  
18 the United States Military.

19 ROLL CALL:

20 Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt  
21 Nays: None  
22 Absent: None

23 The foregoing is certified to be a true copy of a resolution duly  
24 adopted by said Board of Supervisors on the date therein set forth.

25 Kecia R. Harper, Clerk of said Board

26 By Wendy Rasso  
27 Deputy  
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