

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



ITEM: 3.12
(ID # 21233)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, March 07, 2023

FROM : TLMA-CODE ENFORCEMENT:

SUBJECT: TRANSPORTATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCY/CODE ENFORCEMENT: Adoption of Resolution No 2023-075 Authorizing the Application for Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Funds for Eligible Properties within Unincorporated Riverside County communities. All Districts. [\$0]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. **Adopt** County Resolution No. 2023-075 authorizing the Code Enforcement Department to submit applications to the State of California Department of Resources, Recycling and Recovery, or "CalRecycle", for available grant funds under the Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant, to clean up illegal dump sites on eligible properties within unincorporated Riverside County for fiscal years 2022/2023 through 2027/2028.
2. **Authorize** the Transportation and Land Management Agency ("TLMA") Deputy Director of Code Enforcement ("Code Enforcement Director") to act as an Authorized Signatory to sign all grant-related documents, as approved as to form by County Counsel, necessary to implement and complete any grants under the Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Funds on behalf of the Board of Supervisors for fiscal years 2022/2023 through 2027/2028.

ACTION:Policy

Charissa Leach, TLMA Director

2/14/2023

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Gutierrez
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: March 7, 2023
xc: TMLA-Code Enforcement, COBAb

Kimberly Rector
Clerk of the Board
By:
Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
NET COUNTY COST	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A			Budget Adjustment: No	
			For Fiscal Year: 22/23–27/28	

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

Public Resources Code sections 48000 et seq. authorize the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) to administer various grant programs (Grants) to further the State of California's (State) efforts to reduce, recycle and reuse solid waste generated in the state.

The Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Program provides funding from the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) for the cleanup of illegal solid waste sites on farm or ranch property. Grants are limited to \$50,000 per cleanup or abatement project, with a limit of \$200,000 per year for each eligible applicant. No matching funds are required for this reimbursement Grant. This Grant is site specific.

The TLMA Code Enforcement Department previously received grant funding through the CalRecycle Farm and Ranch Grant under Board Resolution No. 2009-113, adopted on March 17, 2009 as Board Agenda Item 03.17.

The board's actions today will allow the TLMA Code Enforcement to apply annually for the Farm and Ranch Grant through fiscal year 2027/2028. Code Enforcement will return to the Board with any grant budget adjustments, per Board Policy A-30. Utilization of this grant will allow the Code Enforcement Department to abate solid waste on properties where recovery of abatement costs may not be practical due to high cost or other factors. No additional staffing is requested to carry out the objectives of this grant funding.

Impact on Residents and Businesses

The receipt of Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grants would increase the ability of staff to abate public nuisances arising from illegally discarded trash, rubbish, and debris throughout the unincorporated areas of the County of Riverside. The County of Riverside Code Enforcement Department has sufficient resources, technical expertise, and/or experience with similar projects to carry out the proposed cleanup projects identified in the grant agreements. The partnership generated by the grant ultimately will continue to improve the environment and the quality of life throughout Riverside County.

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Additional Fiscal Information

N/A

Contract History and Price Reasonableness

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

ATTACHMENT A. Resolution No. 2023-075

ATTACHMENT B. Farm & Ranch Grant Fact Sheet



Jason Farin, Principal Management Analyst 2/23/2023

Board of Supervisors

County of Riverside

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-075

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF APPLICATIONS FOR CALRECYCLE FARM AND RANCH SOLID WASTE CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT GRANTS FOR ELIGIBLE PROPERTIES WITHIN UNINCORPORATED RIVERSIDE COUNTY

WHEREAS, Public Resources Code sections 48000 *et seq.* authorize the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery ("CalRecycle") to administer Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Program programs ("Grant Programs") in furtherance of the State of California's efforts to reduce, recycle, and reuse solid waste generated in the state, thereby preserving landfill capacity, protecting public health and safety, and preserving the environment; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors may, pursuant to CalRecycle guidelines, authorize the Transportation and Land Management Agency ("TMLA") Deputy Director of Code Enforcement ("Code Enforcement Director") to act as an Authorized Signatory to sign all grant-related documents, as approved as to form by County Counsel, necessary to implement and close out any grants under the Grant Programs on behalf of the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, CalRecycle procedures require that all applications for grants be made by an Authorized Signatory on behalf of local agencies include a resolution authorizing the submittal of the application; and

WHEREAS, the receipt of CalRecycle grant funds under the Grant Programs would increase the ability of County of Riverside Code Enforcement Department staff to abate public nuisances arising from the improper disposal of waste by providing funding for site-specific nuisance abatement efforts.

WHEREAS, the County of Riverside Code Enforcement Department has sufficient resources, technical expertise and/or experience with similar projects to carry out the proposed cleanup projects identified in the Grant Agreements; and

WHEREAS, the County of Riverside Code Enforcement Department seeks authorization from the Board of Supervisors to designate the Code Enforcement Director as an Authorized

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL
BY:  BRADEN J. HOLLY
DATE: 2/14/23

1 Signatory to apply for Abatement Grants for the period concluding at the end of the fiscal year on
2 June 30, 2028; and

3 **WHEREAS**, should the County of Riverside be awarded grant funds pursuant to the Act,
4 the Code Enforcement Director will submit a final agreement to the Board of Supervisors for
5 approval;

6 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Riverside County Board of
7 Supervisors, in regular session assembled on March 7, 2023, authorizes the following:

- 8 1. That the Board of Supervisors hereby finds and declares that the above recitals are
9 true and correct.
- 10 2. That the Board of Supervisors authorizes the submittal of applications to the
11 Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery ("CalRecycle") for all available
12 grants under the Grant Programs through the conclusion of the fiscal year ending
13 June 30, 2028.
- 14 3. That the Board of Supervisors has determined that delegating authority to the Code
15 Enforcement Director to act as an Authorized Signatory to execute necessary Grant
16 Program documents, as approved as to form by County Counsel, would facilitate
17 the implementation of the cleanup program, increase efficiency, and save
18 administrative costs.
- 19 4. That the Board of Supervisors hereby delegates to the Code Enforcement
20 Director or his or her designee, the authority and power to execute in the name of
21 the County of Riverside all necessary CalRecycle Grant Program documents,
22 including, but not limited to, applications for grant funds and the subsequent grant
23 agreements, grant payment requests, and any amendments necessary for the
24 purpose of securing grant funds, for the purpose of securing funds for site-specific
25 nuisance abatement efforts.

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4 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE
5 AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF APPLICATIONS FOR CALRECYCLE FARM AND RANCH
6 SOLID WASTE CLEANUP AND ABATEMENT GRANTS FOR ELIGIBLE PROPERTIES
7 WITHIN UNINCORPORATED RIVERSIDE COUTNY

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9 ROLL CALL:

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11 Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Gutierrez

12 Nays: None

13 Absent: None
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16 The foregoing is certified to be a true copy of a resolution duly adopted by said Board of
17 Supervisors on the date therein set forth.
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19 KIMBERLY A. RECTOR, Clerk of said Board

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21 By: 

22 Deputy
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25 03.07.2023



Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Program

What is the Farm and Ranch Grant Program?

The Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Program provides funding from the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) for the cleanup of illegally dumped material on farm or ranch property.

Grants are limited to \$50,000 per site, with a limit of \$200,000 per year for each eligible applicant.

What is Farm or Ranch Property?

Farm or ranch property is property that is used for rangeland or agricultural activities such as, but not limited to, commercial livestock and crop production, horticulture, aquaculture, silviculture, floriculture, vermiculture, and viticulture. Farm or ranch property can be publicly or privately owned and need not have active sales or production, but must be appropriately zoned or otherwise authorized for agricultural activities.

Who Is Eligible to Apply for the Grant?

Cities, counties, resource conservation districts, and federally recognized Native American tribes may apply directly. Property owners who desire grant funding to clean up

their property must work with one of the previously listed entities.

What Sites Are Eligible for Grants?

Sites may be eligible for grant funding if the property meets all of the following criteria:

- Unauthorized solid waste disposal has occurred on a farm or ranch parcel(s).
- Property is in need of cleanup to abate a nuisance or public health and safety threat and/or a threat to the environment.
- The owner is not responsible for the illegally disposed waste.
- Property is zoned or otherwise authorized for agricultural activities.

What Cleanup Activities May This Grant Money be Used For?

Eligible expenses include, but are not limited to:

- Waste removal and disposal
- Recycling
- Personnel to administer the grant
- Drainage control and grading improvement
- Slope and foundation stabilization
- Equipment rental
- Excavation
- Revegetation
- Site security
- Public education
- Removal of chlorofluorocarbons (CFC)
- Administrative costs up to 7 percent of the cleanup costs expended



Illegal disposal site in Stanislaus County.

Can a Property Owner Get Reimbursed for a Previous Cleanup?

Yes. Reimbursement of costs previously incurred by a farm or ranch property owner for cleanup or abatement of an illegal solid waste site is allowed. However, verification and

documentation must be provided to clearly show that:

- Eligibility criteria have been met (see "What sites are eligible for grants?").
- Costs incurred were used specifically for the cleanup or abatement work.

Whenever possible, property owners should coordinate with one of the eligible grant recipients prior to cleanup.

How do I get a Grant Application?

Follow the *Application Guidelines and Instructions* document for the appropriate fiscal year (FY). The Applications are accepted through CalRecycle's web-based Grants Management System (GMS). There are three grant cycles each year.

More Information?

Visit the Farm and Ranch Grant Program webpage on the CalRecycle website at <https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/LEA/GrantsLoans/FarmRanch/>

Who to Contact?

To locate a Resource Conservation District office that may be able to apply for a grant on your behalf, contact:

California Association of Resource Conservation Districts

Phone: (916) 457-7904, Ext.10

Fax: (916) 457-7934

www.carcd.org

To locate a city or county office that may be able to apply for a grant on your behalf, or for more information about the program, contact the Farm and Ranch Grant Program Manager by email at FarmandRanch@calrecycle.ca.gov or by calling the Grant Programs phone line at (916) 341-5062.

Other CalRecycle Grants for Illegal Dumping

Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup Grants and Waste Tire Amnesty Grants

These are grants available to local government entities (including local enforcement agencies [LEA]), county and city departments, special districts and California Native American organizations. Grants are awarded on a competitive basis for the removal, transportation, recycling, and disposal of waste tires from illegal tire piles and areas where illegal dumping has occurred along public rights-of-way. The Tire Amnesty Grant Program funds amnesty events for the public to bring in their tires to convenient locations at no charge.

Solid Waste Disposal Site Cleanup Grants

These are competitive grants available to public entities. These grants can finance remediation projects at solid waste disposal sites where there is a threat to public health and safety or the environment, and where the responsible party is unable or unwilling to perform the timely remediation or is unidentified.

The CalRecycle website offers more information on these and other grant programs: <https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Funding/>