



Agenda Item 13
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VIA E-MAIL

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ATTN: Melissa Smith, Budgets and Grants Officer

**RE: Grant Agreement No. NP-84-1415 – Request for budget augmentation
Green Solution–Upper L.A. River Watershed, Phase IV**

Dear Joe:

On behalf of Community Conservation Solutions (CCS), I am writing to request an augmentation of \$86,535 to Grant Agreement #NP-84-1415 for the Green Solution Project–Upper L.A. River Watershed, Phase IV. We are requesting this budget augmentation to fund the time and costs necessary to 1) integrate into the evaluation and prioritization of the opportunity stormwater capture parcels additional important data that the technical team developed during the analyses conducted to date; 2) conduct analysis incorporating the new data and conduct prioritization of the stormwater capture projects to identify highest priority projects for implementation; and 3) integrate into the project site prioritization state data pertaining to disadvantaged communities.

Integration of disadvantaged communities data was not anticipated or included in the original grant request; this is important to ensure consistency with other state efforts. The additional new data developed by the project team quantifies multiple public benefits to be provided by the stormwater capture projects; this data needs to be integrated into the parcel analysis in order to ensure accurate prioritization for project implementation.

Attached is the requested budget augmentation by task. These are the existing tasks for which we request augmentation:

- Task 2.C. Analyze and quantify multi-benefit spatial data for community and conservation factors for candidate parcels.
- Task 6.B. Review high-ranking sites, identify up to four sites for concept design, and meet with funding agencies for concurrence and approval of selected sites.
- Task 7: Develop and Produce Site Concept Designs: Develop concept site reports and schematics for up to four priority projects which integrate runoff capture and treatment through green Best Management Practices, storage of captured water for groundwater recharge and/or reuse for irrigation purposes, natural habitat restoration, and creation of park or open space land. Summarize beneficial reuse volumes; water supply, energy savings and GHG emission reduction benefits;

tributary area treated; captured and treated runoff volumes; and park, habitat or open space acreage created, improved or restored.

- Task 8: Evaluation of Funding for Project Implementation and Coordination with State Agencies Coordinate and meet with State Coastal Conservancy and Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy. Evaluate funding potential through state funding sources. Provide technical support and evaluation to determine next steps and provide written recommendations.
- Task 9: Produce Maps, Digital Materials and Final Report Prepare Technical Memoranda summarizing findings, methodologies and assumptions. Prepare white paper explaining how findings can be used by state agencies to estimate the water, energy and GHG emissions impacts of stormwater runoff capture, treatment and reuse. Produce digital maps, PowerPoint presentations, concept site designs and final report in both print and digital formats adjusted for web viewing.
- Task 10: Project Direction, Data Management, Meetings and Correspondence Meetings, conference calls and WebEx calls with Project Team and between Project Team members; project management; document management; e-mails and correspondence.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 310-398-8584 ex. 1 if you have any questions. We look forward to your favorable consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Esther Feldman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Esther Feldman
President

Attachment

Requested Budget Augmentation to Grant No. NP-84-1415
Green Solution-Upper L.A. River Watershed, Phase IV
May 9, 2016

Task #	Task	Budget Funded by SMMC	Budget Funded by SCC*	Requested Augmentation	Revised Total, SMMC
I.	Data Assessment, Retain Subcontractors, Technical Protocols, Project Team Meeting	16,731.00	17,711.00		16,731.00
II.	Park and Recreation Parcel Analysis	30,960.09	28,389.13	6,862.50	37,822.59
III.	Water Storage, Recharge and Re-use Evaluation	27,609.22	30,578.51		27,609.22
IV.	Water Supply and Water Savings Potential Analysis	12,133.36	10,966.87		12,133.36
V.	Analysis of Energy Conservation and Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction Benefits	0	60,985.63		0
VI.	Prioritization of Opportunity Public Parcels	12,822.19	23,000.00	15,927.50	28,749.69
VII.	Develop and Produce Site Concept Designs	82,000.00	0	17,930.00	99,930.00
VIII.	Evaluation of Funding for Project Implementation & Coordination with State Agencies	12,302.00	13,000.00	19,685.00	31,987.00
IX.	Produce Maps, Digital Materials and Final Report	18,482.50	35,500.00	13,010.00	31,492.50
X.	Project Direction, Data Management, Meetings and Correspondence	31,438.65	30,926.00	4,200.00	35,638.65
	Expense	5,072.00	44,550.00	3,220.00	8,292.00
	Contingency	448.99	1,392.86	5,700.00	6,148.99
	Total	250,000.00	297,000.00	86,535.00	336,535.00

*State Coastal Conservancy