CEO-Legislative Affairs Office
Grant Authorization eForm

Attachment A

☐ **GRANT APPLICATION** / ☒ **GRANT AWARD**

Today's Date:	September 10, 2026
Requesting Agency/Department:	OC Public Works
Grant Name and Project Title:	H2OC RainSmart Large Landscape Turf Upgrade Incentive Program
Sponsoring Organization/Grant Source: (If the grant source is not a government entity, please provide a brief description of the organization/foundation)	United States Bureau of Reclamation
Application Amount Requested:	$500,000
Application Due Date:	November 13, 2024
Board Date when Board Approved this Application:	December 3, 2024
Awarded Funding Amount:	$500,000
Notification Date of Funding Award:	June 2, 2026
Is this an Authorized Retroactive Grant Application/Award? No (If yes, attach memo to CEO)	
Recurrence of Grant	New ☒ Recurrent ☐ Other ☐ Explain:
If this is a recurring grant, please list the funding amount applied for and awarded in the past:	N/A
Does this grant require CEQA findings?	Yes ☐ No ☒
What Type of Grant is this?	Competitive ☒ Other Type ☐ Explain:
County Match?	Yes ☒ Amount_____ or __50____ % No ☐
How will the County Match be Fulfilled? (Please include the specific budget)	A 50% match is required. This will be fulfilled by the additional turf removal incentives provided by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and the Municipal Water District of Orange County, and by funds already designated for this work through the County cost-share budget.
Will the grant/program create new part or full-time positions?	No
Purpose of Grant Funds:	Provide a summary and brief background on why the Board of Supervisors should accept this grant application/award, and how the grant will be implemented.
The purpose of the grant funds is to provide additional incentive funding to homeowner's associations (HOAs) in south Orange County, California, to complete large landscape turf removal projects and achieve greater levels of water conservation and improved water quality that would not be possible with the standard existing incentive programs.	
Board Resolution Required? (Please attach document to eForm)	Yes ☒ No ☐
Deputy County Counsel Name: (Please list the Deputy County Counsel that approved the Resolution)	N/A
Recommended Action/Special Instructions (Please specify below)	
1. Authorize the Director of OC Public Works, or designee, to retroactively accept the award of $500,000 for the United States Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART Grants: Water and Energy Efficiency Grants for Fiscal Year 2025, H2OC RainSmart Large Landscape Turf Upgrade Incentive Program and delegate authority to the Director of OC Public	

Works, or designee, to negotiate and execute a Financial Assistance Agreement with the U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Reclamation and to approve minor amendments and minor modifications to the Grant Agreement, as needed.	
Department Contact:	List the name and contact information (telephone, e-mail) of the staff person to be contacted for further information.
Grant Sharp, Manager, South OC Watershed Management Area (714) 955-0633, Grant.Sharp@pw.oc.gov	
Name of the individual attending the Board Meeting:	List the name of the individual who will be attending the Board Meeting for this Grant Item:
Amanda Carr, Deputy Director, OC Environmental Resources, OCPW Kevin Onuma, Interim Director, OCPW	