



**SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA ITEM
AGENDA STAFF REPORT**

Control: 26001530

MEETING DATE: 06/23/2026

LEGAL ENTITY TAKING ACTION: Board of Supervisors

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board of Supervisors

DISTRICT(S):

SUBMITTING Vice Chair Katrina Foley

AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:

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SUBJECT: Allocation of Fifth District Discretionary Funds to ENC

CEO CONCUR	COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW	CLERK OF THE BOARD
N/A	No Legal Objection	DISCUSSION 3 Votes Board Majority

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

1. Approve the allocation of \$5,000 from Fifth District discretionary funds to Environmental Nature Center to support the Traveling Naturalist program, with priority for Fifth District schools and students.2. Find under Government Code section 26227 that this expenditure is necessary to meet the educational and environmental needs of County residents.3. Authorize and direct the County Executive Officer, or designee, to negotiate and enter into an agreement with Environmental Nature Center as necessary to effectuate the purposes of this allocation.4. Authorize and direct the Auditor Controller, or designee, to make related payments as necessary to effectuate the purposes of this allocation.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Summary: Vice Chair Foley requests approval for the allocation of \$5,000 from the Fifth District discretionary funds to support Environmental Nature Center’s Traveling Naturalist program, with priority for schools and students in the Fifth District.

Purpose of Funding: Environmental Nature Center is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization based in Newport Beach that provides environmental education, nature based learning, and hands on science programming for students and community members.

Through the Traveling Naturalist program, Environmental Nature Center brings naturalists directly to school campuses with live animals, teaching supplies, and interactive lessons that encourage observation, critical thinking, and environmental awareness. The program serves preschool through 12th grade students and provides age appropriate lessons connected to science and environmental education standards.

This funding will support Environmental Nature Center’s Traveling Naturalist program, with priority for Fifth District schools and students. The allocation will help expand access to hands on environmental

education, support classroom science learning, and provide students with direct exposure to native animals, habitats, and conservation concepts.

ATTACHMENTS:

N/A