

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF BOARD GOVERNED COUNTY SERVICE AREAS  
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

April 9, 2024

**FROM**

**NOEL CASTILLO, Director, Department of Public Works – Special Districts**

**SUBJECT**

California Environmental Quality Act Findings and Plans and Specifications for the County Service Area 42 Oro Grande - Oro Grande Park Revitalization Phase 2 Project

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

Acting as the governing body of County Service Area 42 Oro Grande:

1. Find that the County Service Area 42 Oro Grande – Oro Grande Park Revitalization Phase 2 Project is exempt under California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations Section 15301(a) Class 1 (alteration of existing facilities) and Section 15302(c) Class 2 (replacement or reconstruction of existing structures or facilities).
2. Approve the County Service Area 42 Oro Grande – Oro Grande Park Revitalization Phase 2 Project as defined in the Notice of Exemption.
3. Approve the plans and specifications for the County Service Area 42 Oro Grande – Oro Grande Park Revitalization Phase 2 Project.
4. Authorize the Director of the Department of Public Works – Special Districts to advertise the County Service Area 42 Oro Grande – Oro Grande Park Revitalization Phase 2 Project for competitive bids.
5. Direct the Department of Public Works – Special Districts to file and post the Notice of Exemption in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act.

(Presenter: Noel Castillo, Director, 387-7906)

**COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES**

**Ensure Development of a Well-Planned, Balanced, and Sustainable County.**

**Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents.**

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Approval of this item will not result in the use of Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). Reimbursement of eligible expenditures for the County Service Area 42 Oro Grande (District) –

Oro Grande Park Revitalization Phase 2 Project (Project) will be funded through an allocation from the County's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF) as approved by the Board of Supervisors (Board) on May 10, 2022 (Item No. 60). Sufficient appropriation for the Project is included in the District's 2023-24 Operating Fund budget and will be included in future recommended budgets as needed.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The District was established by the Board on December 27, 1965, to provide water, sewer, park, refuse collection and streetlighting services to the community of Oro Grande. The District owns

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the Oro Grande Park and provides construction, operations, and maintenance support services to the park.

On May 10, 2022 (Item No. 60) the Board approved the Oro Grande Park Revitalization that consisted of two phases of improvements. Phase 1 included the demolition of the community center structure, which was completed in April 2022. Phase 2 of the Oro Grande Park Revitalization includes replacement of playground equipment, resurfacing and restriping the basketball court, installation of fitness equipment, installation of shade structures, American Disabilities Act parking improvements and other park improvements such as landscaping and flatwork. The recommended approvals for the Project, which includes advertising, will assist with the public purpose of providing for the health and recreational needs of the residents through the park improvements.

The Department of Public Works – Special Districts (Department) reviewed the Project and determined that a categorical exemption exists in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 15301(a) Class 1 and Section 15302(c) Class 2 is appropriate. The Class 1 exemption allows for minor alteration of existing public facilities with negligible or no expansion of existing use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. The Class 2 exemption allows for replacement or reconstruction of existing structures or facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity of the structure replaced. When the Board considers the environmental findings, the filing and posting of a Notice of Exemption is recommended.

In addition to the CEQA finding, this item seeks Board approval of the Projects' plans and specifications and authorization to advertise for bids.

**PROCUREMENT**

Upon Board approval of this item, the Project will be advertised in accordance with Section 22037 of the California Public Contract Code. The Department anticipates returning to the Board in July 2024 with a recommendation for award of the Project's construction contract.

**REVIEW BY OTHERS**

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Aaron Gest, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on March 18, 2024; Finance (Jessica Trillo, Administrative Analyst, 387-4222, and Guy Martinez, ARPA Compliance Officer, 387-5428) on March 20, 2024; and County Finance and Administration (Paloma Hernandez-Barker, Deputy Executive Officer, 387-5423) on March 24, 2024.

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**APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

Moved: Curt Hagman Seconded: Joe Baca, Jr.  
Ayes: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.), Jesse Armendarez, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca, Jr.

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY   
DATED: April 9, 2024



cc: File - CSA 42 Oro Grande w/ cd  
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