



COUNTY OF SONOMA

575 ADMINISTRATION
DRIVE, ROOM 102A
SANTA ROSA, CA 95403

SUMMARY REPORT

Agenda Date: 1/6/2026

To: Board of Supervisors

Department or Agency Name(s): Board of Supervisors

Staff Name and Phone Number: Supervisor Lynda Hopkins 707-565-2241

Vote Requirement: Majority

Supervisorial District(s): Fifth

Title:

Fee Waiver - Bodega Bay Fisherman's Festival

Recommended Action:

Approve a fee waiver in the amount of \$5,180 for permit and health fees for the annual Bodega Bay Fisherman's Festival, to be held on May 2-3, 2026. (Fifth District)

Executive Summary:

As a 501c3 nonprofit the 53rd Annual Bodega Bay Fisherman's Festival will be held at Westside Park in Bodega Bay on May 2-3, 2026. All proceeds from the festival are distributed to 25 local nonprofits including school programs, public safety, and community groups. Over 200 volunteers are involved with the festival. A small admission fee is charged for adults, but children enter for free. Festival costs have risen to over \$60,000 which includes tenting, rentals, fencing, entertainment, and permits.

Discussion:

The festival has its origin as a celebration of the start of the salmon fishing season and the annual Blessing of the Fleet. The festival is a great venue for children with a play area for face painting, spin paintings, games, a touch tank tide pool, and more.

Strategic Plan:

Racial Equity:

Was this item identified as an opportunity to apply the Racial Equity Toolkit?

No

Prior Board Actions:

01-28-2025; 04-16-2024; 04-04-2023; 04-19-2022

FISCAL SUMMARY

Expenditures	FY25-26 Adopted	FY26-27 Projected	FY27-28 Projected
Budgeted Expenses			
Additional Appropriation Requested	\$5,180		
Total Expenditures	\$5,180		

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Funding Sources			
General Fund/WA GF			
State/Federal			
Fees/Other			
Use of Fund Balance			
General Fund Contingencies	\$5,180		
Total Sources	\$5,180		

Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:

\$5,180 is requested from General Fund Contingencies for this fee waiver.

Staffing Impacts:			
Position Title (Payroll Classification)	Monthly Salary Range (A-I Step)	Additions (Number)	Deletions (Number)

Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):

Attachments:

Application

Related Items "On File" with the Clerk of the Board: