Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors, County of Sonoma
Department or Agency Name(s): Emergency Management
Staff Name and Phone Number: Jeffrey DuVall, CEM / 565-1152
Vote Requirement: 4/5th
Supervisorial District(s): Countywide

Title:
Emergency Management Performance Grant Year 2025 Award

Recommended Action:

A) Authorize the Director of Emergency Management to accept the Emergency Management Performance Grant Program Year 2025 Award in the amount of $206,984.
B) Adopt a Budget Resolution increasing Fiscal Year 2026-27 revenue and expenditure appropriations by $206,984.

(4/5th Vote Required)

Executive Summary:
The Department of Emergency Management (DEM) was awarded the 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant Program in the amount of $206,984, on May 12, 2026. The Department is requesting a Budget Resolution to increase Fiscal Year 2026-27 revenue and expenditure appropriations.

Discussion:
The United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) administers the Emergency Management Performance Grant Program under Title VI of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act. The California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) administers this grant on behalf of the State of California and its regional Operational Areas.

Emergency Management Performance Grant
The purpose of the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) program is to assist in preparing for all hazards, as authorized by the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act. The EMPG p rojects submitted and approved for the FY2025 allocation include:

1. County of Sonoma Monitoring and Early Warning Mobile Cameras ($156,984):
   This project will allow for the procurement of four (4) mobile trailer-mounted cameras allow for real-time monitoring through live feeds accessible to public safety agencies and the public, which facilitates faster decisions for road closures and emergency response; as well as deployment flexibility, which allows mobile equipment to be rapidly positioned ahead of incoming storms and relocated as needed.
2. County of Sonoma Flood Monitoring and Warning System Feasibility Study ($50,000):
   This study will be looking at locations for future installation of flood sensors, rain and stream gauges, flood cameras, and related equipment at flood-prone tributaries and roadways to support real-time monitoring.

DEM received notification of the EMPG annual award in the amount of $206,984 for Program Year 2025 on May 12, 2026. The cost share for EMPG is 50% federal and 50% local match. The County's share is projected at the beginning of the application process and funding sources are identified before the application is submitted. The required 50% local cost share will be funded with $150,000 from the Lytton Tribal Mitigation Funds allocated to DEM on 03/24/2026, $6,984 out of the existing DEM budget, and $50,000 from Sonoma Water.

DEM is requesting a Budget Resolution to increase Fiscal Year 2026-27 revenue and expenditure appropriations. Due to the ongoing changes at the federal level with FEMA grant funding, and the timing of the award, the Department was unable to include the appropriations in the FY 2026-27 recommended budget.

Strategic Plan:
Strategic Plan Pillar: Resilient Infrastructure, Goal 2: Invest in capital systems to ensure continuity of operations and disaster response; Objective 1: Strengthen critical communications infrastructure, interoperability, and information technology tools relied upon during disasters.

Prior Board Actions:
03/24/2026: Approved the use of $150,000 in Lytton Tribal Mitigation Funds for the Department of Emergency Management to purchase and operate trailer mounted camera units.

01/04/2022: Adopted Resolution #22-0006 designating Department of Homeland Security Authorized Agent Signature Authority.

FISCAL SUMMARY

Expenditures	**FY 26-27 Adopted**	**FY27-28 Projected**	**FY 28-29 Projected**
Budgeted Expenses	$206,984		
Additional Appropriation Requested	$206,984		
Total Expenditures	**$413,968**		
Funding Sources			
General Fund/WA GF	$206,984		
State/Federal	$206,984		
Fees/Other			
Use of Fund Balance			
Contingencies			
Total Sources	**$413,968**		

Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:
EMPG funding is appropriated as federal passthrough, fully reimbursable by CalOES/FEMA, and have no effect on the department's net cost or general fund. EMPG $206,984 in grant award, with $150,000 from the Lytton Tribal Mitigation Funds, $6,984 out of the existing DEM budget, and $50,000 from Sonoma Water for the local match. Management and Administration and Indirect Costs funds will be used to support the grants staff within the department. Budgeted amount of $50,000 is available from FY 2026/2027 appropriations from the

Sonoma Water General Fund. No additional appropriations are required.

Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):
None.

Attachments:
1. Budget Resolution

Related Items "On File" with the Clerk of the Board:
None.