Federal "Earmarks" FY 2025



March 28, 2024

The Honorable Alex Padilla United States Senate 331 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Laphonza Butler United States Senate 112 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Padilla and Butler:

On behalf of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (MPWMD), I am writing to express our strong support for the allocation of funds in the Fiscal Year 2025 appropriations process: the Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project and the Seaside Municipal Well Water Security Project. These initiatives are critical in addressing our region's urgent water management and sustainability needs, ensuring a reliable water supply, and bolstering our community's resilience to environmental challenges.

For the Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project, MPWMD requests the allocation of \$875,000 under the Corps of Engineers, Construction, in the Energy and Water Development Appropriations bill. MPWMD received an authorization under Section 219 Environmental Infrastructure in the 2022 WRDA bill. The requested funds will be used to undertake a Project Partnership Agreement, secure construction funds for completion of the Olivier Street Stormwater Diversion, and complete design of up to six additional discrete, complete elements of work that will help minimize stormwater discharges by consolidating catchment areas and diverting to the Pure Water Monterey advanced water purification project. This strategic intervention not only addresses water scarcity by augmenting our region's water supply, but also mitigates the risk of flooding, improves habitat conditions, and enhances water quality in a National Marine Sanctuary. The project is designed to capture and recycle stormwater, thereby generating significant environmental and community benefits, including habitat improvements and enhanced drainage for disadvantaged communities.

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Both projects have garnered widespread support from local and regional stakeholders, including the City of Seaside, the City of Monterey, and Monterey One Water, underscoring their significance to our community's sustainable water supply development and environmental stewardship. Furthermore, these initiatives are especially crucial for serving our low- and moderate-income residents, ensuring equitable access to essential resources.

Thank you for your consideration. Your continued support is greatly appreciated as we seek to work with our community partners to help build a more sustainable and resilient future for the residents of Monterey Peninsula.

Sincerely,

David J. Stoldt

General Manager

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District



March 28, 2024

The Honorable Jimmy Panetta United States House of Representatives 304 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

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David J. Stoldt

General Manager

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District



Sen. Butler Fiscal Year 2025 Congressionally Directed Spending (Earmark)

Requests (Seaside Municipal Well Water Security Project)

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Section 1. Funding Request

PLEASE READ: Please refer to the FY 2024 subcommittee guidance (<u>linked here</u>)
☐ carefully to ensure you include all required information in your application.

For information on congressionally directed spending requests, please <u>click here </u>. If you have further questions, please contact Appropriations Butler@butler.senate.gov.

1. Name of Proposal *

Seaside Municipal Well Water Security Project

2. Submitting Organization *

Do not use abbreviations. Write out full name of city, county, or non-profit (e.g. County of San Francisco, City of San Jose, The Non-Profit Organization).

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

3. Is the Organization a Government or Not-For-Profit Entity? *

NOTE: For-Profits Are NOT Eligible for Congressionally Directed Spending.

Yes

4. Provide a link to the organization's website. *

If applicable. If not, briefly describe the organization.

https://www.mpwmd.net/

5. Tax Identification Number *

If applicable. If not, write "N/A".

94-2156702

6. Specific Location in California *

Do not use acronyms. Use applicable city name and state (e.g. Fairfield, California).

Monterey County

7. Description of Project *

Briefly describe the project.

In order to ensure an adequate supply of clean, affordable, and reliable water for residents, the Seaside Municipal Water System (SMWS) must design and construct a backup potable water well to their sole water supply well.

8. Congressionally Directed Spending Request *

Dollar amount. Do not include cents. If requesting \$1 million, write 1000000.

3200000

9. Total Cost of the Project *

Dollar amount. Do not include cents. If requesting \$1 million, write 1000000.

Please include the total cost of the project, including any federal and/or non-federal costs.

4000000

^{*} indicates a required field.

10.Other Funding Sources *

Will the project receive funding from other sources, such as bonds, federal grants, the state of California, private entities, etc.? If so, please provide the dollar amount and explain the source of funding.

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District will address the non-federal cost-share with funds available from within the district.

11. Detailed Project Budget *

What is the total project budget? Detail exactly how requested CDS funds will be spent as well as non-CDS funding. Provide as many details as possible (e.g. \$500,000 for construction materials, \$200,000 for construction labor, etc.).

The amount Monterey Peninsula Water Management District is requesting for the Seaside Municipal Well Water Security Project is \$3,200,000. \$4,000,000 is the total project cost.

12. Priority Ranking of Proposal (if multiple proposals are being submitted) *

If only one proposal is being submitted, please enter 1. Rank the priority out of ALL subcommittees. For example, do not give 1 priority ranking in Energy and Water, 1 priority for Transportation, etc.

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13. Was This Request Submitted To Another Member of the California Delegation? *

Yes

13.1 Which office(s)?

Senator Alex Padilla, District 19 Jimmy Panetta,

14. Which state office does this request fall under? *

San Francisco

The following counties are served by the San Francisco office: Alameda, Butte, Colusa, Contra Costa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Marin, Mendocino, Modoc, Monterey, Napa, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, San Benito, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yolo, Yuba.

Fresno

The following counties are served by the Fresno office: Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Fresno, Imperial, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Stanislaus, Tulare, Tuolumne.

Los Angeles

The following counties are served by the Los Angeles office: Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, Santa Barbara, Ventura.

San Diego

The following counties are served by the San Diego office: Imperial, San Diego.

San Francisco Office

15. County in California *

Monterey County,

Section 2. Needs Statement

1. Needs statement *

Please explain why you are requesting Congressionally Directed Spending for this project.

Historically, when the Seaside Municipal Water System (SMWS) had a problem with its potable well, it obtained water from California American Water (Cal-Am) through an emergency intertie. In May 2023, Cal-Am indicated that it cannot guarantee water to SMWS because Cal-Am may not have capacity and its first obligation is to provide water to its own customers. SMWS has no reliable backup water supply for its customers.

2. Description of importance to the local community and/or State of California. *

The Seaside Municipal Water System (SMWS) serves 2,947 residents and has one active potable water well. The well is over 20 years old and experiences reliability problems. The State Division of Drinking Water requires that any community water system using only groundwater shall have a minimum of two approved sources. SMWS does not have a second drinking water well.

3. List any entities or organizations partnering in or supporting the project. *

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, Monterey One Water, City of Seaside.

4. Does this project primarily benefit low- and moderate-income persons or communities? *

Yes

4.1 Please include relevant data on how this project primarily benefits low- and moderate-income persons or communities.

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District will provide a detailed map of the impact of the project on disadvantaged communities.

Section 3. Funding History

1. Has this project been submitted to a Member of Congress in previous fiscal years? *

No

1.1 Please identify the fiscal year and project name.

No answer

2. Has this project received past Congressionally Directed Spending? *

No

2.1 Please identify the fiscal year and project name.

No answer.

3. Is this a one-time request for Congressionally Directed Spending? *

Yes

4. Is additional federal funding required beyond the amount requested in this submission? *

Yes

5. When and how will the project become fully funded? *

This request will fully complete these stand-alone, functional, increments of work.

Section 4. Primary Point of Contact Information

Please provide the contact information for the primary point of contact of this request.

1. Primary Point of Contact Name for this Request *

Roger Gwinn

2. Title *

Washington Representative

3. Address Line 1 *

1901 Pennsylvania Avenue NW

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Suite 700

5. City *

WASHINGTON, D.C.

6. State *

DC

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20006

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2022555759

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rgwinn@tfgnet.com

Section 5. Point of Contact Information for the Recipient Organization

Please provide the contact information for the recipient organization (note: this should not be a lobbyist or third party).

1. Name of Recipient Organization *

Legal grantee name

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

2. Point of Contact Name for Recipient Organization *

David J. Stoldt

3. Title *

General Manager, Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

4. Address Line 1 *

5 Harris Court

5. Address Line 2

Building G

6. City *

Monterey

7. State *

California

8. Zip code *

93940

9. Phone Number *

508-954-8414

10.Email Address *

dstoldt@mpwmd.net

Section 6. Bill and Account Specific Information

PLEASE READ: For information on subcommittee guidance, and eligible agencies and accounts, please $\underline{\text{click here. }}$

1. Have you reviewed the latest requirements and reforms for Congressionally Directed Spending? *

The link to the latest requirements and reforms is available here.

Yes

2. Have you reviewed the subcommittee guidance for CDS requests? *

The link to the subcommittee guidance for CDS requests is available here.

Yes

BILL/ACCOUNT: You must select an appropriations bill and account for which your CDS project is eligible. Please refer to the list of appropriations bills/accounts listed here . If you are unsure, select the bill and account that you believe best matches your project.

3.	Is thi	is proposal for funds available in the Agriculture, Food and Drug Administration and Rural Development bill?
	No	
	3.1	Please identify the account:
		No answer.
4	Is thi	is proposal for funds available in the Commerce, Justice, Science bill? *
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	4.1	Please identify the account:
		No answer.
5.	Is thi	is proposal for funds available in the Energy & Water Development bill? *
	No	
	5.1	Please identify the account:
		No answer.
6.	Is thi	is proposal for funds available in the Financial Services and General Government bill? *
	No	
	6.1	Please identify the account:
		No answer.
7.	Is thi	is proposal for funds available in the Homeland Security bill? *
	No	
	7.1	Please identify the account:
		No answer.
8.	Is thi	is proposal for funds available in the Interior, Environment bill? *
	Yes	
	8.1	Please identify the account:
		EPA, State and Tribal Assistance Grants, STAG Infrastructure Grants

8.2 Additional required information. Please answer all of the questions in the order listed below to the best of your ability.

If a question is not applicable, write "N/A."

- 1. What is the project purpose, e.g., drinking water, wastewater, stormwater, and/or water quality protection?
- 2. Is this request seeking funding for planning and design, construction, or both?
- 3. Is the preliminary planning and engineering design completed for this project?
- 4. When will this project be ready to proceed to construction?
- 5. What is the total estimated cost of the project, based on the facilities plan or preliminary engineering report?
- 6. What is the amount requested for the project?
- 7. Please list any funding received from federal appropriations, including the fiscal year and source of funding (Clean Water SRF, Drinking Water SRF, STAG grants, USDA Rural Development Program, FEMA, or others)?
- 8. Does the community have a financing plan certified by an authorized local official demonstrating how it will cover the matching funds of 20% or more?
- 9. What are the anticipated non-federal sources of funding for this project?

For WWI State and Local Projects, is the project on the state's most recently finalized Clean Water or Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan?

For WWI State and Local Projects, if the answer to the above question (Q1) is NO, is the project eligible under SRF guidelines?

For WWI Tribal Projects, is the project on the IHS Sanitation Deficiency System list?

For WWI Tribal Projects, if the answer to the above question (Q3) is NO, is the project eligible under the Criteria for the Sanitation Facilities Construction Program?

For HPF, if the request is for a property, does the property meet the HPF program requirements of being listed, at the appropriate level, for the National Register of Historic Places or as a National Historic Landmark individually or as contributing to an historic district?

For USFS State and Private Forestry (SPF), is this project part of or contribute to the state's Forest Action Plan?

For Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), Legacy Restoration Fund (LRF), or Land Management Agency Construction (LMCON), is the project on the relevant list provided by the administration?

- 1. Project purpose Drinking water.
- 2. The request is seeking funding for **design** and **construction**.
- 3. Funding would assist in the design portion of this request.
- 4. The project construction is ready following the design phase of the project.
- 5. Estimated total cost \$4,000,000
- 6. Amount requested \$3,200,000
- 7. N/A
- 8. The district can follow up with a plan outlining coverage of 20 percent match.
- 9. Monterey Peninsula Water Management District plans to get the remaining \$800,000 from other sources.

9. Is this proposal for funds available in the Labor, Health and Human Services and Education bill? *

No

9.1 Please identify the account:

No answer

10.Is this proposal for funds available in the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs bill? **

No

10.1 Please identify the account:

No answer

10.2 MilConVA - additional information:

Please answer all of the following questions to the best of your ability. If you do not know, write "N/A".

- 1. Does this project appear on the Future Years Defense Program (FYDP) list?
- 2. Does this project on the Unfunded Requirements/Priorities List (URF/URL)?
- 3. Does this project have a DD1391?
- 4. Has the project reached the 35% design milestone?
- 5. Is this project previously authorized or has it been submitted to the Senate Armed Services Committee for consideration?
- 6. If this project was funded in Fiscal Year 2023, please provide the amount.

No answer.

11. Is this proposal for funds available in the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development bill? *

No

11.1 Please identify the account:

No answer.

11.2 THUD - What is the total cost of the project?

No answer.

11.3 THUD - Airports

For airport requests, provide the NPIAS code for the airport.

No answer.

11.4 THUD - Transit requests

For transit requests, you must provide the name of the transit agency recipient or subrecipient, a link to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) or Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) that includes the requested project, and the total cost of the project, which should be consistent with the total cost of the project in the STIP or TIP.

No answer.

11.5 THUD - Highway (HIP) requests

You must provide a link to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) or Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) that includes the requested project.

Detail the total cost of the project, which should be consistent with the total cost of the project in the STIP or TIP.

No answer.

11.6 THUD - Rail (CRISI) requests

You must provide a link to the State Rail Plan that includes the requested project and the total cost of the project, which should be consistent with the total cost of the project in the State Rail Plan.

No answer.

11.7 THUD - Economic Development Initiatives (EDI)

You must detail the current status of the project, a description of all other sources of funding contributing to the total cost of the project, and the status of the planning and environmental review work. In addition, include relevant data on how activities or projects benefit primarily low- and moderate-income persons or communities to meet program requirements.

You must include a link to the project website if available or a link to the HUD five year Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan if the project is included or complements planned or current projects within these required plans.

No answer.

12. Additional information

Please include any additional information required based on the Fiscal Year 2024 subcommittee guidance, found here. 🗷

No answer.



Sen. Butler Fiscal Year 2025 Congressionally Directed Spending (Earmark)

Requests (Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project)

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1. Name of Proposal *

Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project

2. Submitting Organization *

Do not use abbreviations. Write out full name of city, county, or non-profit (e.g. County of San Francisco, City of San Jose, The Non-Profit Organization).

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

3. Is the Organization a Government or Not-For-Profit Entity? *

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Yes

4. Provide a link to the organization's website. *

If applicable. If not, briefly describe the organization.

https://www.mpwmd.net/

5. Tax Identification Number *

If applicable. If not, write "N/A".

94-2156702

6. Specific Location in California *

Do not use acronyms. Use applicable city name and state (e.g. Fairfield, California).

Monterey County

7. Description of Project *

Briefly describe the project.

The Monterey Peninsula stormwater strategy involves combining stormwater catchments to minimize the number of discharges inorder to create fewer and more manageable stormwater discharges and generate additional water supply for the region.

8. Congressionally Directed Spending Request *

Dollar amount. Do not include cents. If requesting \$1 million, write 1000000.

875000

9. Total Cost of the Project *

Dollar amount. Do not include cents. If requesting \$1 million, write 1000000.

Please include the total cost of the project, including any federal and/or non-federal costs.

650000

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10.Other Funding Sources *

Will the project receive funding from other sources, such as bonds, federal grants, the state of California, private entities, etc.? If so, please provide the dollar amount and explain the source of funding.

To date, the Oliver Street Stormwater Diversion project has secured \$725,000 (District grant of \$25,000; State Department of Water Resources grant of \$500,000; \$200,000 local funding).

11. Detailed Project Budget *

What is the total project budget? Detail exactly how requested CDS funds will be spent as well as non-CDS funding. Provide as many details as possible (e.g. \$500,000 for construction materials, \$200,000 for construction labor, etc.).

Oliver Street Stormwater Diversion - The project would divert flows from Monterey's downtown tunnel and Oliver Street storm drain gravity pipe to the sanitary sewer for recycling instead of discharging it untreated into Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary. A flow diversion structure will redirect dry weather flows from a 60-inch storm drain system on Oliver Street to a 24-inch sanitary sewer main behind the Custom House Museum via a new pipe. The new pipe will be located in the right-of-way along Oliver Street and convey flows northeast to connect with the sanitary sewer main by gravity. The project would remove dry weather flows that are currently discharged untreated to Monterey Bay, thereby partially restoring natural drainage patterns and treating any urban pollutants associated with the diverted flows. The project is estimated to achieve from 10 to 20 acre-feet per year (AFY) of water supply from the approximately 150-acre tributary drainage area.

<u>Cost: Seeking additional construction assistance of \$300,000.</u> To date, the project has secured \$725,000 (District grant of \$25,000; State Department of Water Resources grant of \$500,000; \$200,000 local funding)

Feasibility and Design of Other Diversion and Recycling Projects

City of Monterey Coast Guard Pier Diversion: Runoff from the Coast Guard Pier will be diverted to the water reclamation plant for recycling. Storage may be required as part of the project.

City of Monterey San Carlos Beach Diversion Storage: Underground storage could be constructed below the lawns next to San Carlos Beach. The Reeside wastewater pump station is adjacent to the lawns and could convey stored water to the water reclamation plant for recycling.

City of Seaside Laguna Grande Wells' Diversion: The City of Seaside owns two wells, Laguna Grande Park and one near Chili's Grill. The Chili's well is artesian and was capped due to high sulfur. The Laguna Grande well is used for irrigation. Neither well provides potable water. The well water could be pumped to the sanitary sewer in the summer when source water is most needed for recycling. Wells could be pumped at night when sewer flows and power cost is lower.

City of Seaside Stormwater Capture near Echo Avenue in Seaside: Urban surface water runoff would be diverted to underground infiltration chambers. Diversion to underground storage. Water would infiltrate into the groundwater basin.

City of Del Rey Oaks Stormwater Capture: The proposed Del Rey Oaks Urban Diversion Project consists of two sites: Natural springs located on Rosita Road and Calle de Oaks that have been observed to maintain continuous flow throughout the year, including during recent drought years. Rosita Road flow currently drains from a natural spring, down the curb to a pipe, and into Canyon Del Rey Creek. Similarly, the Calle de Oaks spring is diverted through a pipe and deposited into the municipal separate storm sewer system, where it is directed to Canyon Del Rey Creek. A sanitary sewer line runs through the center of both Rosita Road and Calle de Oaks. The project envisions depositing the flow directly into the sanitary sewer line to be fed into the Pure Water Monterey project during the dry season and between storms throughout the wet season.

Naval Postgraduate School Del Monte Lake Stormwater: Stormwater flows from the Del Monte Lake to the ocean. Prior to storms, the top 4 feet of the lake could be pumped to the Pure Water Monterey project. With a surface area of

11 acres, approximately 44 AF could be diverted. Diversion could be available from November to March when the Monterey Pines Golf Club does not require water from Del Monte Lake. There have been no observed migratory fish nor aquatic species. There is an existing wastewater pump station in the proximity.

Cost: Seeking design assistance of \$350,000.

12. Priority Ranking of Proposal (if multiple proposals are being submitted) *

If only one proposal is being submitted, please enter 1. Rank the priority out of ALL subcommittees. For example, do not give 1 priority ranking in Energy and Water, 1 priority for Transportation, etc.

13. Was This Request Submitted To Another Member of the California Delegation? *

Yes

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13.1 Which office(s)?

Senator Alex Padilla, District 19 Jimmy Panetta,

14. Which state office does this request fall under? *

San Francisco

The following counties are served by the San Francisco office: Alameda, Butte, Colusa, Contra Costa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Marin, Mendocino, Modoc, Monterey, Napa, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, San Benito, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yolo, Yuba.

Fresno

The following counties are served by the Fresno office: Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Fresno, Imperial, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Stanislaus, Tulare, Tuolumne.

Los Angeles

The following counties are served by the Los Angeles office: Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, Santa Barbara, Ventura

San Diego

The following counties are served by the San Diego office: Imperial, San Diego.

San Francisco Office

15. County in California *

Monterey County,

Section 2. Needs Statement

1. Needs statement *

Please explain why you are requesting Congressionally Directed Spending for this project.

Neither the District nor its partners have the funds available to complete these important projects, which will generate multiple benefits for the region, including additional water supply, habitat improvements, water quality benefits, and drainage benefits for adisadvantaged community.

2. Description of importance to the local community and/or State of California. *

The Monterey Peninsula is a water-short area subject to severe flooding in wet weather events. The project will help better manage stormwater and generate a new raw water supply for the Monterey One Water water recycling project, which will generate an important new source of potable water for the communities of Seaside and Monterey.

3. List any entities or organizations partnering in or supporting the project. *

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, Monterey One Water, City of Seaside, City of Monterey.

4. Does this project primarily benefit low- and moderate-income persons or communities? *

Yes

4.1 Please include relevant data on how this project primarily benefits low- and moderate-income persons or communities.

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District will follow up with a detailed map of the project's impact on disadvantaged communities.

Section 3. Funding History

1. Has this project been submitted to a Member of Congress in previous fiscal years? *

No

1.1 Please identify the fiscal year and project name.

No answer

2. Has this project received past Congressionally Directed Spending? *

No

2.1 Please identify the fiscal year and project name.

No answer.

3. Is this a one-time request for Congressionally Directed Spending? *

No

4. Is additional federal funding required beyond the amount requested in this submission? *

Yes

5. When and how will the project become fully funded? *

This request will fully complete these stand-alone, functional increments of work.

Section 4. Primary Point of Contact Information

Please provide the contact information for the primary point of contact of this request.

1. Primary Point of Contact Name for this Request *

Roger Gwinn

2. Title *

TFG

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4. Address Line 2

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5. City *

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6. State *

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9. Email Address *

rgwinn@tfgnet.com

Section 5. Point of Contact Information for the Recipient Organization

Please provide the contact information for the recipient organization (note: this should not be a lobbyist or third party).

1. Name of Recipient Organization *

Legal grantee name

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

2. Point of Contact Name for Recipient Organization *

David J. Stoldt

3. Title *

General Manager, Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

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Corps of Engineers: Construction

5.1 Please identify the account:

6. Is this proposal for funds available in the Financial Services and General Government bill? *

No

6.1 Please identify the account:

No answer

7. Is this proposal for funds available in the Homeland Security bill? *

No

7.1 Please identify the account:

No answer

8. Is this proposal for funds available in the Interior, Environment bill? *

No

8.1 Please identify the account:

No answer

8.2 Additional required information. Please answer all of the questions in the order listed below to the best of your ability.

If a question is not applicable, write "N/A."

- 1. What is the project purpose, e.g., drinking water, wastewater, stormwater, and/or water quality protection?
- 2. Is this request seeking funding for planning and design, construction, or both?
- 3. Is the preliminary planning and engineering design completed for this project?
- 4. When will this project be ready to proceed to construction?
- 5. What is the total estimated cost of the project, based on the facilities plan or preliminary engineering report?
- 6. What is the amount requested for the project?
- 7. Please list any funding received from federal appropriations, including the fiscal year and source of funding (Clean Water SRF, Drinking Water SRF, STAG grants, USDA Rural Development Program, FEMA, or others)?
- 8. Does the community have a financing plan certified by an authorized local official demonstrating how it will cover the matching funds of 20% or more?
- 9. What are the anticipated non-federal sources of funding for this project?

For WWI State and Local Projects, is the project on the state's most recently finalized Clean Water or Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan?

For WWI State and Local Projects, if the answer to the above question (Q1) is NO, is the project eligible under SRF guidelines?

For WWI Tribal Projects, is the project on the IHS Sanitation Deficiency System list?

For WWI Tribal Projects, if the answer to the above question (Q3) is NO, is the project eligible under the Criteria for the Sanitation Facilities Construction Program?

<u>For HPF</u>, if the request is for a property, does the property meet the HPF program requirements of being listed, at the appropriate level, for the National Register of Historic Places or as a National Historic Landmark individually or as contributing to an historic district?

For USFS State and Private Forestry (SPF), is this project part of or contribute to the state's Forest Action Plan?

For Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), Legacy Restoration Fund (LRF), or Land Management Agency Construction (LMCON), is the project on the relevant list provided by the administration?

No answer

9. Is this proposal for funds available in the Labor, Health and Human Services and Education bill? *

No

9.1 Please identify the account:

No answer

10.Is this proposal for funds available in the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs bill? *

No

10.1 Please identify the account:

No answer

10.2 MilConVA - additional information:

Please answer all of the following questions to the best of your ability. If you do not know, write "N/A".

- 1. Does this project appear on the Future Years Defense Program (FYDP) list?
- 2. Does this project on the Unfunded Requirements/Priorities List (URF/URL)?
- 3. Does this project have a DD1391?
- 4. Has the project reached the 35% design milestone?
- 5. Is this project previously authorized or has it been submitted to the Senate Armed Services Committee for consideration?
- 6. If this project was funded in Fiscal Year 2023, please provide the amount.

No answer.

11. Is this proposal for funds available in the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development bill? *

No

11.1 Please identify the account:

No answer.

11.2 THUD - What is the total cost of the project?

No answer.

11.3 THUD - Airports

For airport requests, provide the NPIAS code for the airport.

No answer.

11.4 THUD - Transit requests

For transit requests, you must provide the name of the transit agency recipient or subrecipient, a link to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) or Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) that includes the requested project, and the total cost of the project, which should be consistent with the total cost of the project in the STIP or TIP.

No answer.

11.5 THUD - Highway (HIP) requests

You must provide a link to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) or Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) that includes the requested project.

Detail the total cost of the project, which should be consistent with the total cost of the project in the STIP or TIP.

No answer.

11.6 THUD - Rail (CRISI) requests

You must provide a link to the State Rail Plan that includes the requested project and the total cost of the project, which should be consistent with the total cost of the project in the State Rail Plan.

No answer.

11.7 THUD - Economic Development Initiatives (EDI)

You must detail the current status of the project, a description of all other sources of funding contributing to the total cost of the project, and the status of the planning and environmental review work. In addition, include relevant data on how activities or projects benefit primarily low- and moderate-income persons or communities to meet program requirements.

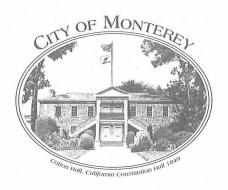
You must include a link to the project website if available or a link to the HUD five year Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan if the project is included or complements planned or current projects within these required plans.

No answer.

12.Additional information

Please include any additional information required based on the Fiscal Year 2024 subcommittee guidance, found here.

No answer.



March 28, 2024

The Honorable Alex Padilla United States Senate 331 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

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Dear Senators Padilla and Butler:

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Sincerely,

Tyller Williamson

Mayor, City of Monterey



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March 27, 2024

The Honorable Alex Padilla United States Senate 331 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510 The Honorable Laphonza Butler United States Senate 112 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Padilla and Butler:

On behalf of the City of Seaside, I am writing to express our strong support for the allocation of funds in the Fiscal Year 2025 appropriations process for the Seaside Municipal Well Water Security Project. This initiative is critical in addressing our region's urgent water management and sustainability needs, ensuring a reliable water supply, and bolstering our community's resilience to environmental challenges.

The City of Seaside requests \$3,200,000 for the Seaside Municipal Well Water Security Project, which will be used to design and construct a backup potable water well for the Seaside Municipal Water System (SMWS). The SMWS serves 2,947 residents (800 connections). Approximately half the customers are identified by the California Department of Water Resources as a Census Block Group Disadvantaged Community with median income of \$39,750. The system has one active potable water well that is over 20 years old and experiences reliability problems. The State Division of Drinking Water requires that any community water system using only groundwater shall have a minimum of two approved sources. SMWS does not have a second drinking water well. Historically, when SMWS had a problem with its potable well, it obtained water from California American Water (Cal-Am) through an emergency intertie. In May 2023, Cal-Am indicated that it cannot guarantee water to SMWS because Cal-Am may not have capacity and its first obligation is to provide water to its own customers. SMWS has no reliable backup water supply for its customers. Design of the new well needs to be completed. A test well will need to be drilled in advance of proceeding with ordering and installation of the well pump. This project will help guarantee an uninterrupted supply of clean, affordable, and reliable water for the residents of Seaside, thereby safeguarding public health and community welfare.

The project has garnered widespread support from local and regional stakeholders, including the City of Seaside and the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, underscoring the significance to our community's sustainable water supply development and environmental stewardship. Furthermore, this initiative is especially crucial for serving our low- and moderate-income residents, ensuring equitable access to essential resources.

Thank you for your consideration. Your continued support is greatly appreciated as we seek to work with our community partners to help build a more sustainable and resilient future for the residents of Monterey Peninsula.

Sincerely,

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March 26, 2024

The Honorable Alex Padilla United States Senate 331 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Laphonza Butler United States Senate 112 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Padilla and Butler:

On behalf of Monterey One Water, I am writing to express our strong support for the allocation of funds in the Fiscal Year 2025 appropriations process: the Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project. This initiative is critical in addressing our region's urgent water management and sustainability needs, ensuring a reliable water supply, and bolstering our community's resilience to environmental challenges.

For the Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project, MPWMD requests the allocation of \$875,000 under the Corps of Engineers, Construction, in the Energy and Water Development Appropriations bill. The requested funds will be used to undertake a Project Partnership Agreement, secure construction funds for completion of the Olivier Street Stormwater Diversion, and complete design of up to six additional discrete, complete elements of work that will help minimize stormwater discharges by consolidating catchment areas and diverting to the Pure Water Monterey advanced water purification project. This strategic intervention not only addresses water scarcity by augmenting our region's water supply, but also mitigates the risk of flooding, improves habitat conditions, and enhances water quality in a National Marine Sanctuary. The project is designed to capture and recycle stormwater, thereby generating significant environmental and community benefits, including habitat improvements and enhanced drainage for disadvantaged communities.

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Thank you for your consideration. Your continued support is greatly appreciated as we seek to work with our community partners to help build a more sustainable and resilient future for the residents of Monterey Peninsula.

Sincerely,

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April 29, 2024

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Dear Representative Panetta:

On behalf of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (MPWMD), I am writing to express our strong support for the allocation of funds in the Fiscal Year 2025 appropriations process: the Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project and the Seaside Municipal Well Water Security Project. These initiatives are critical in addressing our region's urgent water management and sustainability needs, ensuring a reliable water supply, and bolstering our community's resilience to environmental challenges.

For the Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project, MPWMD requests the allocation of \$740,000 under the Corps of Engineers, Construction, in the Energy and Water Development Appropriations bill. MPWMD received an authorization under Section 219 Environmental Infrastructure in the 2022 WRDA bill. The requested funds will be used to undertake a Project Partnership Agreement, secure construction funds for completion of the Olivier Street Stormwater Diversion, and complete design of up to six additional discrete, complete elements of work that will help minimize stormwater discharges by consolidating catchment areas and diverting to the Pure Water Monterey advanced water purification project. This strategic intervention not only addresses water scarcity by augmenting our region's water supply, but also mitigates the risk of flooding, improves habitat conditions, and enhances water quality in a National Marine Sanctuary. The project is designed to capture and recycle stormwater, thereby generating significant environmental and community benefits, including habitat improvements and enhanced drainage for disadvantaged communities.

MPWMD also requests \$3,200,000 for the Seaside Municipal Well Water Security Project, potentially through the EPA's STAG program, which will be used to design and construct a backup potable water well for the Seaside Municipal Water System (SMWS). It is our understanding that the City of Seaside will be applying directly through your office for this under Community Project Funding.

Both projects have garnered widespread support from local and regional stakeholders, including the City of Seaside, the City of Monterey, and Monterey One Water, underscoring their significance to our community's sustainable water supply development and environmental stewardship. Furthermore, these initiatives are especially crucial for serving our low- and moderate-income residents, ensuring equitable access to essential resources.

Rep. Jimmy Panetta Page 2 of 2 April 29, 2024

Thank you for your consideration. Your continued support is greatly appreciated as we seek to work with our community partners to help build a more sustainable and resilient future for the residents of Monterey Peninsula.

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