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SEWER AUTHORITY MID-COASTSIDE



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Congresswoman Anna G. Eshoo
Fourteenth District California
Congress of the United States
698 Emerson Street
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Honorable Congresswoman Eshoo,

Thank you for taking the time to review the requests for 2010 federal funding submitted by the Sewer Authority Mid-Coastside (SAM). SAM is a joint power sewer authority serving Half Moon Bay, Montara, and El Granada with main facilities and conveyance lines located in coastal California. Presently, the SAM system has two main shortcomings; the system cannot handle flows during storm events, which causes sanitary sewer overflows, and the treated waste from the SAM facility is piped out into the Pacific Ocean. Both of these issues negatively impact the James V. Fitzgerald Marine Reserve, an area of special biological significance in the state of California, and other coastal habitats, including the Gulf of Farallones. SAM has long term goals of upgrading the system to prevent raw sewage from contaminating the coastal environment and eliminating the treated waste discharge into the Pacific Ocean.

SAM is seeking funding for two projects that would accomplish the long terms goals of the agency: the Wet Weather Flow Management Project (WWFMP) and the Recycled Water Project (RWP). The WWFMP is an implementation project designed to reduce the bacterial contamination in coastal waters by upgrading the current SAM infrastructure, increasing the treatment capacity of the system, and therefore preventing raw sewage overflows into coastal waters. The WWFMP proposes a 200,000-gallon stormwater storage piping system to retain the excess sewage. The RWP is an implementation project designed to treat water that currently is discharged into the ocean and use the treated water for irrigation in the service area. The RWP proposes a 1.65-million gallon recycled water treatment facility. Details regarding both projects are attached as two separate requests.

Both of these projects are very important to the Midcoast community and the hundreds of thousands of visitors to the San Mateo County Midcoast each year, as each project makes notable environmental improvements in the 14th Congressional District. Thank you for your time in reviewing these requests. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact John F. Foley III, SAM General Manager at (650) 726-0124.

Sincerely,



Marina Fraser
Acting Chair
Board of Directors
Sewer Authority Mid-Coastside

INFORMATION FOR **FISCAL YEAR 2010 FUNDING REQUESTS**

(Please provide the following information separately for each request)

Deadline: February 27, 2009

Return via email to: eshoo.appropriations@mail.house.gov

PLEASE EMAIL THIS FORM IN WORD FORMAT

ACCOMPANYING LETTERS SHOULD BE SIGNED AND SUBMITTED IN PDF FORMAT

*ORIGINALS MAY BE MAILED TO:

Congresswoman Anna G. Eshoo

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Palo Alto, California 94301

This is not substitute for email submissions*

***No requests made by for-profit entities will be submitted.**

1) NAME OF AGENCY/ORGANIZATION SEEKING FEDERAL FUNDING:

Sewer Authority Mid-Coastside

2) LOCAL CONTACT:

Name: John F. Foley III

Title: General Manager

Address: 1000 N. Cabrillo Highway, Half Moon Bay, CA 94019

Telephone: (650) 726 0124

Facsimile: (650) 726 7833

Email: john@samcleanswater.org

Is the required letter from the head of the organization (e.g., mayor, board of supervisors' chairperson) attached? Yes, a letter from the acting President of the SAM Board is attached.

3) WASHINGTON CONTACT (if applicable): NA

4) NAME OF PROJECT: Wet Weather Flow Management Project (WWFMP)

5) BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT:

Please limit responses to 50 words or fewer. Additional information may be provided separately.

The SAM system cannot presently handle flows during large storm events, causing raw sewage to overflow into local beaches, specifically the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary. The proposed project increases the existing capacity of SAM's collection system by installing two parallel reinforced

concrete storage pipes, with a capacity of approximately 200,000 gallons, to store excess flow during a storm event.

6) PRIORITY:

If you are requesting funding for more than one project, please rank this request relative to the others being submitted, e.g., "Project 1 of 2"

Project 1 of 2

7) AMOUNT OF FISCAL YEAR 2010 FEDERAL FUNDING REQUEST: \$1,650,000

Please identify the appropriations bill, federal agency, program, and/or account from which you are seeking funds.

SAM is seeking funds from The Interior and The Environment Appropriations Bill.

8) AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF LOCAL/PRIVATE MATCHING FUNDS: \$ 550,000

Source: State of California Clean Beaches Initiative

9) BRIEF BUDGET BREAKDOWN:

Indicate how funding will be expended.

Indicate if the funding sought will complete the project. (Will funding be sought in future years?)

If this is a multi-year project, please indicate the current stage of the project, the total estimated funding that will be needed, and the timeline for completion.

If granted the requested funding, SAM will be able to complete the WWFMP. Federal funding will be used for fund a portion of all budget items. The budget breakdown is as follows:

Item	Estimated Cost
Storage Pipe	\$169,000
Excavation	\$415,000
Soil Hauling	\$127,000
Trenching, Backfill, Compaction	\$125,000
Junction Boxes	\$80,000
Subtotal	\$916,000
Estimating Contingency @ 20%	\$183,200
Engineering Legal and Administration @ 20%	\$183,200
Subtotal	\$1,282,400
Land Acquisition	\$1,000,000
Total Project Cost	\$2,282,400

10) ADMINISTRATION SUPPORT:

Is the project in the budget request the Administration has submitted to Congress?

The project is not in the budget request the Administration has submitted to Congress.

11) FEDERAL INTEREST:

Please provide specific statutory authorization for the project.

If the project is not specifically authorized, describe how the project relates to the relevant agency's mission.

(Note: The Appropriations Committee favors projects that have been authorized, since it clearly establishes federal interest.)

The project relates to The Interior and The Environment Appropriations Bill through Environmental Protection Agency: Clean Drinking Water & Wastewater appropriations. This program is aimed to help communities improve drinking water and wastewater systems, as well as to ensure that all water meets the goals of the Clean Water Act. The WWFMP decreases pollution entering the Pacific Ocean and decreases public health risk by improving the SAM wastewater system.

12) LOCAL IMPACT:

Indicate where (city of county) funds will be expended.

If funds will be expended outside the 14th Congressional District, please indicate the impact of the project on the District.

The funds will be expended within the 14th Congressional District, in the town of El Granada, San Mateo County. The project will positively impact the local coastal environment within Half Moon Bay, El Granada, and Montara, particularly the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary and James F. Fitzgerald Marine Reserve, a coastal area declared an area of special biological significance by the state of California. The project will also protect a plot of land in El Granada for conservation and recreation.

13) PREVIOUS FEDERAL FUNDING

Has the project received federal funding in the past?

Please provide the amount(s) and the fiscal year(s) in which the project received funding.

If the funding came through a congressional appropriation, please identify the legislation in which the funding was included.

The project has not received federal funding in the past.

14) ENDORSEMENTS:

Please provide letters of support from anyone endorsing the project.

Letters should state whether the endorsement is being made on behalf of the individual signing the letter or a larger organization.

Please also list the contact information of each endorser on this form.