



# Board Agenda Item 48

DATE: June 12, 2018

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBMITTED BY: Steven E. White, Director  
Department of Public Works and Planning

SUBJECT: Budget Resolution for Coalinga Disposal Site Enterprise Fund

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

**Adopt Budget Resolution increasing FY 2017-18 appropriations for Coalinga Disposal Site Enterprise, Org 9028 in the amount of \$25,000 using available fund balance and Risk Management Loss Recovery Program funds, to replace a gate and monitoring equipment (4/5 vote).**

Approval of the recommended action will increase FY 2017-18 appropriations for Coalinga Disposal Site (CDS) Enterprise, Org 9028 in the amount of \$25,000 to replace monitoring equipment stolen from the CDS and a gate destroyed during the theft.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION(S):

Your Board may deny the recommended action; however, failure to replace the monitoring equipment would subject the County to fines imposed by the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB). Not replacing the gate would fail to provide safety measures to prevent the theft from occurring again.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no increase in Net County Cost associated with the recommended action. The resolution will increase appropriations by \$25,000 [\$6,500 using CDS Enterprise Fund available fund balance (Fund 0710, Subclass 15000, Org. 9028) and \$18,500 from the Risk Management Loss Recovery Program (Fund 0001, Subclass 10000, Org. 5806)], to purchase the replacement monitoring equipment and gate.

DISCUSSION:

CDS is located one mile south of the City of Coalinga and consists of two parcels totaling 120 acres, which are owned by Chevron and leased to the County. CDS ceased accepting waste on November 10, 2009 and the County received a letter from Chevron on February 17, 2010 authorizing the permanent closure of CDS. Although CDS is no longer an active disposal site, the County continues to maintain and monitor the site, as required by law.

On December 13, 2017, a Department of Public Works and Planning staff member arrived at the CDS and discovered that the site had been broken into. The first indication was that the chain-link entrance gate appeared to have been rammed by a vehicle; rendering the gate unreparable.

Upon further inspection of the site, it was discovered that the mandated monitoring equipment that provides data for reports to the RWCQB on rainwater runoff that is absorbed in the landfill had been stripped of its wiring and components.

The County received permission from the lessor to work with the lessor's preferred fence and gate provider to design and install, at the County's expense, a more robust gate in a location that would take advantage of the natural terrain to make it more difficult to drive around.

The original monitoring equipment was comprised of a system that had been custom designed based on the circumstances at CDS. The vendor responsible for its original design and installation gave an estimate of \$18,500 for its replacement. The loss was reported to law enforcement and County Risk Management approved the vendor's estimate, the amount of which will be paid from the Risk Management Internal Services Fund once the new monitoring equipment is invoiced.

Approval of the recommended action will provide adequate funding for the replacement of the monitoring equipment and a more robust gate to secure the site.

ATTACHMENTS INCLUDED AND/OR ON FILE:

On file with Clerk - Resolution (Org 9028)

CAO ANALYST:

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