



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute a Memorandum of Agreement, including subsequent amendments, with the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, California Department of Transportation, and the Cities of Carson, Los Angeles, and Torrance, at a cost of \$3,694, to develop a Contaminated Sediment Management Plan for the Dominguez Channel Estuary. (District 7)

City Council approval is requested to execute a MOA with the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD), California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), and the Cities of Carson, Los Angeles, and Torrance, to develop a Contaminated Sediment Management Plan (CSMP) for the Dominguez Channel Estuary to meet National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit (MS4 Permit) compliance requirements. The CSMP is a planning document that outlines actions to support reduction in legacy sediment contamination in the Dominguez Channel Estuary. The MOA will establish the conditions under which the County of Los Angeles (County), Caltrans, the Cities named above, and the City of Long Beach (City) will collaborate on the development of the CSMP.

On March 23, 2012, the United States Environmental Protection Agency established the Total Maximum Daily Load for Toxin Pollutants in the Dominguez Channel and Greater Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbor Waters (Dominguez Channel Toxins TMDL) with the intent of protecting and improving water quality. The MS4 Permit encourages permittees to collaborate with one another in the development of planning strategies and projects to improve water quality in the County.

The Dominguez Channel Toxins TMDL requirements have been incorporated into the new MS4 permit, which required permittees, including the City, to submit a CSMP. To facilitate participation in this collaborative effort, the City will need to enter into an MOA with the other participating permittees. The County, Caltrans, and the Cities of Carson, Los Angeles, and Torrance have all executed the MOA for each of their respective agencies. Participating in the development of the CSMP is part of the City of Long Beach's ongoing program to comply with the requirements of the MS4 Permit. The total amount to complete the CSMP is currently estimated at \$203,401, to be allocated to all participating agencies based on the percentage of area. The City's allocated share is 1.8 percent, resulting in a cost of \$3,694.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy R. Webber on January 17, 2017 and by Budget Analysis Officer Julissa Jose-Murray on January 27, 2017.

City Council action is requested on February 14, 2017, to ensure timely implementation of the

MOA.

The City's participation cost under this MOA is \$3,694 and will be funded with FY 17 one-time funds budgeted in the General Fund (GF) in the Public Works Department (PW). There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

Approve recommendation.

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APPROVED:

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