SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

ITEM: 3.27
(ID # 19073)
MEETING DATE:
Tuesday, May 17, 2022

FROM: BOS DISTRICT 3:

SUBJECT: BOS DISTRICT 3: Approve the Third District American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) - Infrastructure projects allocation to Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD) for Mission Canyon II Pump Station Replacement, Southern Wine Country Sewer – De Portola/Anza Rd, and Northern Wine Country Sewer – Rancho California Rd Phase II Projects - District 3. [$10,571,200 Total Cost – 100% American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Authorize the funding of the Mission Canyon II Pump Station Replacement ($1,440,000), Southern Wine Country Sewer – De Portola/Anza Rd ($4,120,000), and the Northern Wine Country Sewer - Rancho California Rd Phase II ($5,011,200) projects from District 3 ARPA Infrastructure funding category in an amount not to exceed $10,571,200 including reimbursements to EMWD, and;

2. Authorize the Riverside County Executive Office to initiate and execute a funding agreement with Eastern Municipal Water District for the delivery of Mission Canyon II Pump Station Replacement, Southern Wine Country Sewer – De Portola/Anza Rd, and Northern Wine Country Sewer – Rancho California Rd Phase II.

ACTION:

By: [Signature]

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Washington, seconded by Supervisor Hewitt and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: May 17, 2022
xc: BOS Dist 3, E.O.

Kecia R. Harper
Clerk of the Board
By: [Signature]

Deputy
Background:

Summary

On March 11, 2021, President Biden signed into law a $1.9 trillion economic stimulus bill also known as the COVID-19 Stimulus Package or the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). The intent of the bill is to accelerate the United States recovery from the economic and health impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. ARPA includes $362 billion in Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA Fiscal Recovery Funds) for eligible state, local, territorial, and tribal governments. These ARPA Fiscal Recovery Funds can be utilized for four categories of eligible uses:

a) To respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality.

b) To respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers.

c) For the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year prior to the emergency; and

d) To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

Riverside County's share of the American Rescue Plan funding is estimated to be $479 million, of which the first installment of $239,937,299 was received on May 10, 2021. Funds must be obligated by December 31, 2024, and expended by December 31, 2026. On April 27, 2021, the Executive Office presented the Board of Supervisors with a preliminary ARPA funding allocation and on October 19, 2021, presented a revised funding allocation after the U.S. Treasury released the ARPA interim funding guidelines. The revised allocation included a new category for Child Care. The funding allocation obligates funds to 7 categories: Infrastructure, Housing & Homelessness, Economic
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Recovery, County Departments Response, Non-Profit Assistance, Child Care and Revenue Backfill.

In its final funding guidelines issued on January 6, 2022, the U.S. Treasury broadened the use of the ARPA funds to include disproportionately impacted communities projects to develop neighborhood features that promote improved health and safety outcomes, such as parks, green spaces, recreational facilities, sidewalks, pedestrian safety features like crosswalks, projects that increase access to healthy foods, streetlights, neighborhood clean-up, and other projects to revitalize public access. On February 8, 2022, the board approved establishing the ARPA infrastructure funding category in the amount of $82 million. This amount dedicated $75 million to water and sewer infrastructure projects, distributed $15 million per district and the remaining $7 million was allocated to the Broadband affordability program.

District 3 is requesting to utilize $10,571,200 from its infrastructure share to fund three water and sewer infrastructure projects included in Eastern Municipal Water District’s Capital Improvement Plan: Mission Canyon II Pump Station Replacement, Southern Wine Country Sewer – De Portola/Anza Rd, and Northern Wine Country Sewer – Rancho California Rd Phase II projects.

**Mission Canyon II Pump Station Replacement ($1,440,000)**

Eastern Municipal Water District will be responsible for the planning, design, construction, and ongoing operations and maintenance of a new pump station located at the Mission Canyon II Booster Station. This project will include a new water pump station and 3,200 feet of new pipe that will improve water pressure and capacity from 200 gallons per minute to 600 gallons per minute for the unincorporated Hemet area east of Diamond Valley Lake. The total project cost is $3,600,000. District 3 is proposing to contribute $1,440,000 from the ARPA infrastructure category through a funding agreement between the County of Riverside and Eastern Municipal Water District.

**Southern Wine Country Sewer – De Portola/Anza Rd ($4,120,000)**

Eastern Municipal Water District will be responsible for the planning, design, construction, and ongoing operations and maintenance of 9,900 feet of 15-inch gravity sanitary sewer main, 10,300 feet of 12-inch gravity sanitary sewer main, and 3,000 feet of 10-inch gravity sanitary sewer main as well as the installation of laterals to property lines along Anza Rd and De Portola...
Rd in southern Wine Country. This project will make sanitary sewer available in the region and reduce the number of septic tanks currently leaking into Rancho California Water District’s well head protection area, improving water quality and providing opportunity for economic growth in the region. The total project cost is $10,300,000. District 3 is proposing to contribute $4,120,000 from the ARPA infrastructure category through a funding agreement between the County of Riverside and Eastern Municipal Water District.

**Northern Wine Country Sewer – Rancho California Rd (§5,011,200)**

Eastern Municipal Water District will be responsible for the planning, design, construction, and ongoing operations and maintenance of 4,300 feet of 12-inch sanitary sewer main and 9,700 feet of 8-inch sanitary sewer main as well as the installation of laterals to property lines along Rancho California Rd, Glen Oaks Rd, Warren Rd, and East Benton Rd. This project extends the second phase of an existing sanitary sewer line that currently runs along Rancho California Rd from Butterfield Stage Rd to Monte De Oro Rd. The installation of sanitary sewer will reduce the number of septic systems leaking into the region’s groundwater, improving water quality, and providing for economic growth. The total project cost is $8,600,000. District 3 is proposing to contribute $5,011,200 from the ARPA infrastructure category through a funding agreement between the County of Riverside and Eastern Municipal Water District.

All projects will be led by Eastern Municipal Water District. The district will be reimbursed through a funding agreement between the County of Riverside and the district. Projects are planned to be completed on or before December of 2026.

**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

The proposed water and sewer infrastructure projects will improve the quality of water, quantity of water, quality of life and promote economic recovery.