



MEMORANDUM

TO: Biola Community Services District Board of Directors
FROM: Joshua Rogers, PE
DATE: October 19, 2023
RE: FY 21-22 Community Development Block Grant
CDBG No. 21032 Funding Agreement

BACKGROUND

In May 2021, the Fresno County Board of Supervisors approved their 2021-22 Annual Action Plan which, among other things, approved the Biola Groundwater Recharge Project, CDBG No. 21032, as a project for the “back-up list” for projects to be funded if funding became available. Earlier this year, the District was made aware that the County had sufficient available funding to finance the project, and that an additional \$50,000 could be made available to supplement the original \$250,000 request. The current funding available for the project is \$300,000, which will fund the expansion of the existing basin on the Gettysburg Avenue alignment between 3rd and 4th Streets. The existing 2-acre basin will be expanded to 5 acres, and new fencing and associated improvements will be constructed to provide for enhanced groundwater recharge capabilities when taking water from the Fresno Irrigation District’s Herndon Canal along Shaw Avenue.

SITUATION

An agreement between the County of Fresno and the Biola CSD is required and has been prepared by the County and is contained in the attached resolution. The agreement contains, among other things, the following:

1. Funding amount of \$300,000.
2. Schedule for construction and completion by December 2024.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board adopt the attached resolution approving the agreement and authorize the Board President to sign on behalf of the Board.