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PLANNING &  
BUILDING SERVICES

LOCAL COASTAL  
PROGRAM UPDATE

JULY 18, 2024  
PRESENTATION



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# LCP UPDATE PROCESS

- Grant Awarded
- Administrative Process:
  - Preparing/executing Grant Agreement
  - preparing Requests for Proposals for consultants and scoring proposals
  - preparing contracts for selected consultants including Board of Supervisors approval of contracts
- Technical studies prepared by consultants including stakeholder engagement prior to finalization of studies
- Policy/code drafting and stakeholder engagement
- Public Hearings with Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors
- Submit LCP Amendment to Coastal Commission (December 2026)



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# ROUND 8 GRANT AWARD COMPREHENSIVE LCP UPDATE



- Awarded \$2,177,399 on November 16, 2022. County match \$200,000.
- Grant Agreement Executed on April 19, 2023. Available for viewing at:  
<https://documents.coastal.ca.gov/assets/lcp/grants/Round%208/Mendocino.pdf>
- Request for Proposals – opened September 12, 2023, closed October 24, 2023:
  - Coastal Groundwater Study Consultant
  - State Route 1 – Traffic/Highway Capacity Study
  - Visual & Archaeological Resources Consultant
- Request for Proposal – opened November 15, 2023, closed December 19, 2023:
  - Biological Resources/Habitats & Natural Resources Consultant

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# ROUND 8 GRANT AWARD COMPREHENSIVE LCP UPDATE



- Awarded Contracts Approved by Board of Supervisors February 27, 2024:
  - Coastal Groundwater Study Consultant: [Larry Walker Associates, Inc.](#)
  - State Route 1 – Traffic/Highway Capacity Study: [TJKM Transportation Consultants](#)
  - Visual & Archaeological Resources Consultant: [EMC Planning](#)
- Awarded Contracts Approved by Board of Supervisors June 4, 2024:
  - Biological Resources/Habitats & Natural Resources Consultant: [WRA, Inc.](#)
- **Requests for Proposals remaining:**
  - California Environmental Quality Act Compliance consultant.

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# ROUND 8 GRANT AWARD COMPREHENSIVE LCP UPDATE



- Coastal Groundwater Study Highlights:
  - Existing Conditions Analysis Memorandum and Coastal Groundwater Mapping Graphics
  - Hydraulic Model Development: Watershed Model, Saturated Thickness Model, Recharge Model, Climate Change Model, and Sea Level Rise Model
  - Land and Water Use Forecasts
  - Proof of Water Testing Guidelines and Procedures
  - Problem/Issues Identification
  - Development and Analysis of Alternatives, Mitigation Measure Development and Recommendations
  - Technical Advisory Group

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# ROUND 8 GRANT AWARD COMPREHENSIVE LCP UPDATE



- Coastal Groundwater Study Progress as of June 13, 2024:
  - Task 1 and 2, Existing Conditions Memorandum & Database Management System (DMS): ~60% complete
  - Task 3 Hydraulic Modeling: ~25% complete
  - Task 4 Land Use Forecasting: ~40% complete
  - Task 5 Proof of Water: ~7% complete
  - Task 11 Technical Advisory Group: tentative August kick off meeting

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# ROUND 8 GRANT AWARD COMPREHENSIVE LCP UPDATE



- Traffic/Highway Capacity Study Highlights:
  - Assessment of Existing Policies, Programs and Data
  - Land Use Zone Development – creating traffic analysis zones (TAZs) and development potential
  - Model Development – creating a travel demand model
  - Land Use Forecasts
  - Traffic Forecasts
  - Problem/Issue Identification
  - Development & Analysis of Alternatives including Vehicle Miles Travelled
  - Mitigation Measure Development and Recommendations

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# ROUND 8 GRANT AWARD COMPREHENSIVE LCP UPDATE



- Visual/Archaeological Resources Study Highlights:
  - Background research including review of County LCP and Coastal Commission guidance as well as mapping
  - Stakeholder Outreach – Caltrans, State Parks, BLM, etc.
  - Tribal Consultation
  - Visual Resources Analysis Report
  - Coastal Visual Analysis Mapping and Graphics
  - Cultural/Archaeological Resource Analysis
  - Mitigation Measure Development and Recommendations
  - LCP Policy Recommendations



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# ROUND 8 GRANT AWARD COMPREHENSIVE LCP UPDATE



- Biological/Natural Resources Highlights:
  - Biological Resources Survey Report
    - Agency/Stakeholder Meetings including CDFW, CNPS, CCC, USFWS and others.
  - Updated Mapping
  - Recommendations for Habitat Resources to assist in forming LCP Policies
    - Agency/Stakeholder Meetings

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# ROUND 8 GRANT AWARD COMPREHENSIVE LCP UPDATE



- Kick-off meeting held with EMC Planning on March 13, 2024. Site visits made in Mendocino County April 29-30, 2024. Check-in meetings are held on an as-needed basis.
- Kick-off meeting held with Larry Walker & Associates on March 27, 2024. Check-in meetings are held monthly and other specific task meetings are held on an as-needed basis.
- Kick-off meeting held with TJKM on April 2, 2024. Check-in meetings are held monthly and other specific task meetings are held on an as-needed basis.
- Kick-off meeting held with WRA on June 27, 2024. Check-in meetings are held on an as-needed basis.

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# ROUND 8 GRANT AWARD COMPREHENSIVE LCP UPDATE



- Next Steps:
  - Continue work with various consultants on gathering of background information and existing conditions.
  - Responding to requests for technical information from consultants and supporting documentation in a timely manner.
  - Revise Grant Agreement schedule with California Coastal Commission.
  - Once a bit further along with current consultants, complete RFP for CEQA consultant.

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# ROLLING GRANT AWARD SEA LEVEL RISE VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT



- Awarded \$342,736 on August 31, 2023.
- Grant Agreement Executed on January 23, 2024. Available for viewing at:  
[https://documents.coastal.ca.gov/assets/lcp/grants/Rolling/Mendocino%20County%20\(SLRRS\).pdf](https://documents.coastal.ca.gov/assets/lcp/grants/Rolling/Mendocino%20County%20(SLRRS).pdf)
- Request for Proposal released – closed May 23, 2024:
  - [Sea Level Rise Resilience Strategy, RFP 018-24](#)
- County received six responsive proposals. Review and scoring of proposals was completed by County staff, City of Fort Bragg staff, and Sea Grant staff.
- Awarded firm is Environmental Science Associates (ESA). Currently working on contract with ESA, goal is executed contract in September 2024.

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# ROLLING GRANT AWARD SEA LEVEL RISE VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT



- Sea Level Rise Vulnerability Assessment Highlights:
  - Existing Conditions Analysis and Inventory Memorandum
  - Stakeholder Outreach and Public Engagement
  - Sea Level Rise Analysis and Risk Assessment
  - Sea Level Rise Resilience Strategy and Policy Development

Expected completion timeline end of 2025, early 2026

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# THANK YOU

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