

**REPORT FROM**

**OFFICE OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

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Date: February 13, 2023

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Council File No. 21-1015  
Council District: ALL

To: Budget, Finance And Innovation Committee

From: Matthew W. Szabo, City Administrative Officer 

Subject: **FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT APPLICATIONS: APPROVAL REQUESTS AND STATUS REPORT**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Council, subject to the approval of the Mayor:

1. Authorize the Board of Public Works (Board), General Manager for the Bureau of Sanitation (Bureau), and/or their designees, to prepare the grant applications for the proposals as outlined in Attachments 1 and 2; and,
2. Instruct the Board, Bureau, or designees, if awarded a grant, to report back to request authority to accept the grant award and confirm that there is no additional General Fund fiscal impact.

**SUMMARY**

On October 12, 2021, Council adopted a Motion (Krekorian – Blumenfield - O’Farrell – Martinez - Harris-Dawson – Price – Cedillo) instructing the CAO to prioritize proposed projects in response to the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (federal) and California Comeback Plan (state) related grant opportunities (C.F. 21-1015). This report provides a summary of federal and state grant opportunities for which the Department of Public Works, Bureau of Sanitation (Bureau) has reported an interest in applying (Attachments 1 and 2). Under each grant opportunity is a list of recommended projects that meet the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) requirements and have matching funds available.

In accordance with Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) Section 14.6, departments may submit applications without Mayor and Council approval if no City General Funds, matching funds, or other commitments of City resources are required. The Bureau’s applications would not require City General funds at this time. It is anticipated that for the two grants requiring matching funds, that sufficient Sewer Construction and Maintenance funds will be available. Therefore, authority for the Bureau to submit grant applications for the proposed projects included in the Attachments is recommended.

Prior Mayor and Council approval may be waived when the NOFA is published less than 61 days in advance of the date of application. The due dates of both NOFAs are within 30 days,

February 15, 2023 and February 28, 2023, so an expedited review and approval are necessary to ensure the Bureau is able to meet the deadline.

Also in accord with the above administrative code section, and prior to award, all departments are required to seek Mayor and Council approval before accepting and receiving such grant award. It is further recommended that the Bureau report to the Mayor and Council upon award notification in order to request authority to accept and receive the grant award and confirm that there is no additional General Fund impact.

### **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

Approval of the recommendations in this report will not result in a General Fund impact. However, upon notification of grant award, if the City is awarded, a reassessment on the General Fund impact should be completed as it relates to lower than requested grant award amounts, verification of local match requirements, and front-funding needs for grants funded on a reimbursement basis.

### **FINANCIAL POLICIES STATEMENT**

The recommendations in this report comply with the City's Financial Policies.

Attachment 1 - Grant Programs With Match Requirements

Attachment 2 - Grant Programs without Match Requirements

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**ATTACHMENT 1 – GRANT PROGRAMS WITH MATCH REQUIREMENT**

**WaterSMART: Water Recycling and Desalination Planning**

**Bureau of Reclamation**

NOFA Release Date: December 23, 2022

Due: February 28, 2023

Performance Period: Up to 24 months; completed by October 31, 2025

Local Match Requirement: 75 percent

<b>Lead Department</b>	<b>(CD) Project Name</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Total Project Budget (in millions)</b>	<b>Total Grant Request (in millions)</b>	<b>Local Match (in millions)</b>	<b>Planned Completion Date</b>
BOS	(11) Hyperion 2035: Phase 1: 50 MGD of Indirect Potable Reuse Water	Develop a Feasibility Study and Preliminary Design Report for Phase 1 of the Hyperion 2035 Program to convert the City of Los Angeles Hyperion Water Reclamation Plant to a 100% water recycling facility.	\$15.0	\$5.0	\$11.25	2 years (09/2025)
BOS	(6) Los Angeles Groundwater Replenishment Project	For the planning, environmental compliance, and design activities to support the Los Angeles Groundwater Replenishment Project. The Project is to produce 17,000 acre-ft of purified recycled water from the Donald C. Tillman Water Reclamation Plant.	\$530.0	\$5.0	\$22.5	4 years (08/2027)

**ATTACHMENT 2 – GRANT PROGRAMS WITHOUT MATCH REQUIREMENT**

**Illegal Disposal Site Abatement Grant Program FY 2022-23**

**Cal Recycle**

NOFA Release Date: Unknown

Due: February 15, 2023

Performance Period: From date of notice of proceed to June 30, 2025

No Match Requirement

<b>Lead Department</b>	<b>(CD) Project Name</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Total Project Budget</b>	<b>Total Grant Request</b>	<b>Planned Completion Date</b>
BOS	LASAN Illegal Disposal Site Abatement Project	To support the removal and disposal of illegally dumped waste in the South Los Angeles (SLA) and North Central (NC) wastesheds of the City of Los Angeles, and conduct public outreach education. Scope includes routine sweeps through the neighborhoods of SLA and NC to remove illegally disposed waste.	\$500,000	\$500,000	2 years (06/2025)

**Consumer Recycling Education and Outreach (REO) Grant Program**

**Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)**

NOFA Release Date: November 14, 2022

Due: February 15, 2023

Performance Period: 3 years, estimated start date of October 2023

No Match Requirement

<b>Lead Department</b>	<b>(CD) Project Name</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Total Project Budget</b>	<b>Total Grant Request</b>	<b>Planned Completion Date</b>
BOS	Residential Curbside Recycling Improvement Through Outreach & Education Project	An educational effort to reduce contamination of green and blue-bin recycling programs in citywide residential curbside programs by providing residents with a waste-sorting digital application.	\$845,000	\$845,000	3 years (09/2026)

**ATTACHMENT 2 – GRANT PROGRAMS WITHOUT MATCH REQUIREMENTS (con)**

**Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grant Program**

**Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)**

NOFA Release Date: November 14, 2022

Due: February 15, 2023

Performance Period: Start date is October 2023

No Match Requirement

Lead Department	(CD) Project Name	Project Description	Total Project Budget (in millions)	Total Grant Request (in millions)	Planned Completion Date
BOS	(14) Central Los Angeles Recycling and Transfer Station Organic Processing Facility	To build a new Organics Processing Facility at CLARTS for the processing of up to 300 tons per day of organic waste to comply with the California Senate Bill 1383 (SB 1383) to reduce organics disposal at a landfill. Design of the facility construction of a new 30,000 sq. ft. building, purchase and installation of machinery for the removal of trash in the food waste, electrical control units, and to produce energy via anaerobic digesters	\$48.36	\$4.0	3 years (08/2026)

**ATTACHMENT 2 – GRANT PROGRAMS WITHOUT MATCH REQUIREMENTS (con)**

**FY23 Brownfields Cleanup Grant**

**Environmental Protection Agency**

NOFA Release Date: September 12, 2022

Due: November 22, 2022

Performance Period: Up to four years

No Match Requirement

Lead Department	(CD) Project Name	Project Description	Total Project Budget (in millions)	Total Grant Request (in millions)	Planned Completion Date
BOS	(1) Taylor Yard G2-Central Site Cleanup	To conduct cleanup activities at the Taylor Yard G2-Central site. It is approximately 42-acres of vacant land that will be redeveloped as part of the Los Angeles River revitalization effort. Previous environmental assessments and investigations identified heavy metals and volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in soil and soil vapor samples and that cleanup is needed.	\$2.0	\$2.0	4 years (09/2027)