

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL

To: **Howard Levenson**
Deputy Director, Materials Management and Local Assistance Division

From: **Shirley Willd-Wagner**
Branch Chief, Financial Resources Management Branch

Request Date: May 31, 2012

Decision Subject: Awards for the Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup Grant Program
(Tire Recycling Management Fund, FY 2012/13)

Action By: June 5, 2012

Summary of Request: Staff requests approval of grant awards for the Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup (TCU) Grant Program for Fiscal Year (FY) 2012/13. The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) received 28 applications totaling \$2,187,587. One application was withdrawn and four were disqualified after staff's review.

Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of 23 grant awards, as listed in Table 1 below, totaling \$1,723,223.

Table 1. Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup Grant Program Recommended Award List

Applicant	Recommended Grant Award
City of Bakersfield	\$99,990
City of Ceres	\$7,842
City of Firebaugh	\$3,200
City of Fresno	\$100,000
City of Hesperia	\$24,451
City of Lancaster	\$100,000
City of Long Beach	\$47,951
City of Los Angeles	\$99,993
City of Madera*	\$243,233
City of Modesto	\$23,706
City of Redlands	\$9,908
City of San Bernardino	\$43,388
City of San Diego	\$98,842
City of Victorville	\$58,357
Fresno County	\$100,000
Los Angeles County*	\$140,000
Riverside County	\$95,897
San Diego County	\$73,605
San Joaquin County	\$75,593
Stanislaus County	\$9,524

Applicant	Recommended Grant Award
Imperial Valley Resource Management Agency*	\$248,408
Mendocino Solid Waste Management Authority	\$8,001
Town of Apple Valley	\$11,334
Total	\$1,723,223

*Applied as regional applicant.

Funding: In the *Five-Year Plan for Waste Tire Recycling Management Program – (6th Edition covering Fiscal Years 2011/12-2015/16)* (Five-Year Plan) 1,000,000 is allocated for the Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup Grant Program and \$800,000 is allocated for the Local Government Amnesty Grant Program for FY 2012/13. On November 15, 2011, the Deputy Director approved the reallocation of these funds, effectively combining the Five-Year Plan allocations for the Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup Grant Program and the Local Government Amnesty Grant Program each fiscal year, and allocating the combined amount to the two programs in alternating fiscal years, beginning with the Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup Grant Program in FY 2012/13. This is memorialized in the Request for Approval entitled *Eligibility Criteria, Ranking Criteria, Evaluation Process for the Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup Grant Program (Tire Recycling Management Fund, 2012/13), and Programmatic Changes for the Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup and Waste Tire Amnesty Event Grant Programs (Tire Recycling Management Fund)*.

Fund Source	Amount Available	Amount to Fund Item	Amount Remaining	Line Item
Tire Recycling Management Fund (FY 2012/13)	\$1,800,000	\$1,723,223	\$76,777	Grants
Total	\$1,800,000	\$1,723,223	\$76,777	

Deputy Director Action: On the basis of the information and analysis in this Request for Approval and the findings set out herein, I hereby conditionally approve the grant awards for the Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup Grant Program as listed in Table 1. Each proposed grantee’s award is conditioned upon:

1. The full payment within ninety (90) days of the date of this grant award of all outstanding debt(s) or scheduled payment(s) owed by the proposed grantee to CalRecycle; and
2. The return by the proposed grantee of a completed and executed Grant Agreement within ninety (90) days from the date that CalRecycle staff e-mails the Grant Agreement.

These grant awards are subject to passage and enrollment of the Fiscal Year 2012/13 Budget Act, and are subject to the availability of funds.

Dated: _____

Howard Levenson
Deputy Director

Background and Findings:

Statutory Authority

Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 42889(b)(5) authorizes CalRecycle to award grants to cities, counties and other local agencies, and Qualifying Indian Tribes for the costs of cleanup, abatement, removal, or other remedial action related to waste tire stockpiles throughout the state, including all approved costs incurred by other public agencies involved in these activities by contract with CalRecycle.

Program Background

The Local Government Waste Tire Cleanup (TCU) Grant Program offers competitive grants to cities, counties, other local agencies, and Qualifying Indian Tribes for the collection, removal, transport, and end use or disposal of illegally dumped tires. Funds from this grant program are limited to the removal of waste tires along public rights-of-way and on private property with either: (a) less than 500 tires on site or (b) 500 to 5,000 tires if the property owner signs an affidavit stating that they did not bring the tires onto the site or allow others to bring the tires on site. Sites that are zoned agricultural are ineligible for this grant program until they have first attempted to obtain a grant through CalRecycle's Farm and Ranch Solid Waste Cleanup and Abatement Grant Program. The maximum grant award is \$100,000 per applicant and up to \$250,000 per regional applicant.

Process

The eligibility criteria and evaluation process was discussed at the November 15, 2011, CalRecycle meeting and subsequently approved by the Deputy Director. The Notice of Funds Available was placed on the CalRecycle website with applications due February 1, 2012.

CalRecycle received 28 applications requesting a total of \$2,187,587. Subsequently, one applicant withdrew its application. All applications were reviewed for completeness and evaluated consistent with the approved eligibility criteria and evaluation process. Of the remaining 27 applications, three applicants applied for Amnesty Event Grants rather than the Cleanup Grant and one applicant's cost per tire exceeded the \$8.00 allowed cap resulting in four applications being disqualified. The remaining 23 eligible applications are requesting a total of \$1,739,755.77. This amount was reduced due to denial of ineligible cleanup expenses being requested, resulting in eligible requests totaling \$1,723,223, which is reflected in Table 1. Since \$1,800,000 is allocated and \$1,723,223 is recommended for award, the remaining \$76,777 will be included in the reallocation of available Tire Recycling Management Fund monies, which is expected to be considered in April 2013.