

Staff Report
Board Meeting Date: December 19, 2024

DATE: December 13, 2024
TO: District Board of Health
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SUBJECT: Approve the Grant Agreement from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in the amount of \$662,488 for the period of January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2028, for the Air Quality Management, Multipollutant Monitoring Program, IO# TBD, and authorize the District Health Officer to execute the Agreement and any future amendments.

SUMMARY

The Air Quality Management Division received a Grant Agreement #97T21401-0 from the EPA, which provides grant funding under the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) to support the maintenance, operation, and upgrade of existing ambient air monitoring stations, IO# TBD. A copy of the Grant Agreement is attached for the period January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2026. This Agreement was received on December 4, 2024.

District Health Strategic Priorities supported by this item:

- 2. Healthy Environment:** Create a healthier environment that allows people to safely enjoy everything Washoe County has to offer.
- 6. Financial Stability:** Enable the Health District to make long-term commitments in areas that will positively impact the community's health by growing reliable sources of income.

PREVIOUS ACTION

No previous action taken.

BACKGROUND

Project/Program Name: Air Quality Management, EPA Multipollutant Monitoring Award

Scope of the Project: The base award provides funding to support maintenance, operation, and upgrade of existing ambient air monitoring stations, primarily through new equipment purchases.

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: Implementation of clean air solutions that protect the quality of life for the citizens of Reno, Sparks, and Washoe County.

Award Amount: \$662,488.00
Award Received: December 4, 2024
Grant Period: January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2028
Funding Source: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Pass Through Entity: n/a
CFDA Number: 66.034
Grant ID Number: 97T21401-0

Sub-Awards and Contracts: No Sub-Awards are anticipated

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the Board approve this subaward, a request will be made to the Board of County Commissioners to amend the adopted FY25 budget, increasing it by \$662,488 in the following accounts:

| <u>Account Number</u> | | <u>Description</u> | <u>Amount of Increase</u> |
|-----------------------|---------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 2002-IO-TBD | -431100 | Federal Grants - Revenue | \$ 662,488.00 |
| 2002-IO-TBD | -711210 | Travel | \$ 13,406.00 |
| 2002-IO-TBD | -781004 | Equipment Capital | \$ 649,082.00 |

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the District Board of Health approve the Grant Agreement from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in the amount of \$662,488 for the period of January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2028, for the Air Quality Management, Multipollutant Monitoring Program, IO# TBD, and authorize the District Health Officer to execute the Agreement and any future amendments.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff’s recommendation, a possible motion would be: “Move to approve the Grant Agreement from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in the amount of \$662,488 for the period of January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2028, for the Air Quality Management, Multipollutant Monitoring Program, IO# TBD, and authorize the District Health Officer to execute the Agreement and any future amendments.”