

## Yolo County: Emergency Communications Improvements (Log number Nov11 - 4)

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**Staff Recommendation:** No action at this time.

DWR has submitted a request for re-appropriation of the \$5 million and is awaiting action by the Legislature.

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### **Background**

The applicant is requesting the Delta Stewardship Council (Council) to recommend to DWR distribution of funding for emergency communications a priority in 2010-2011 to improve the Delta emergency communications infrastructure. The applicant has indicated that DWR may allocate these funds at any time.

The application indicates that implementation of adequate emergency communications infrastructure requires approximately \$10,000,000 to adequately upgrade the system.

Under SBX2 1, single year expenditures of \$5 million were appropriated to DWR in the 2009 – 2010 budget year, subject to the sale of Proposition 84 bonds. The December 2008 suspension of California bond sales and subsequent backlog of unfunded projects resulted in the failure of funds becoming available during 2009 – 2010. DWR has subsequently requested re-appropriation of the funds for the 2010 – 2011 budget year and is awaiting action by the Legislature, however the lack of a State Budget until October has further delayed Legislative action. If the funds were immediately available, DWR will wait for the recommendations of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Multi-Hazard Coordination Task Force (Task Force) on emergency communications before dispersing any funds. The applicant indicates that the Task Force will complete their initial report including emergency communications recommendations this winter.

### **List of Attachments**

Attachment 1 – Early Action Summary Form  
Attachment 2 – Yolo Emergency Communications Agency Memo  
Attachment 3 – Application for Consideration of a Plan or Project

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