ATTACHMENT A
### Monterey County Board of Supervisors

**Meeting:** April 13, 2010 (Consent)  
**Agenda No.:** 37

| Subject | 1. Authorize the expenditure of $155,000 from the County’s Capital Projects Fund 402 to Aromas Water District for preparation of an Engineer’s Report to include surveying, engineering and design fees, Appraisers Fee, LAFCO Report Fee and Environmental Document costs for the connection of Oak Ridge Mutual Water Company and portion of Via Del Sol Drive Area to the Aromas Water System; and  
2. Transfer $155,000 from County Capital Projects Fund 402, Unit 8174, Account 7521, Buildings and Improvements to Account 7201, Contributions to Other Agencies;  
3. Authorize the County Administrative Officer to execute an Agreement with the Aromas Water District outlining the Agreement Terms for Funding of specified work and repayment via successful Proposition 218 Assessment District; and,  
4. Authorize, should Assessment District fail, the County funds provided to Aromas Water District will be deemed a County Contribution without repayment. |

**Department:** County Administrative Office

**Recommendation:**  
It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:  

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4. Authorize, should Assessment District fail, the County funds provided to Aromas Water District will be deemed a County Contribution without repayment.

**Summary/Discussion:**  
The Oak Ridge Mutual Water System is located in the County of Monterey and presently has an inadequate supply of water. The County and Aromas Water District agreed that a Water System Engineer’s Study was necessary to determine the feasibility of Aromas replacing the Oak Ridge distribution system, connecting to the Aromas system, providing an additional source of supply, additional storage and operating the system. The County previously entered into an agreement with Aromas Water District for $7,500 to provide funding for this Engineering Study. This study provided the engineering work necessary to determine the feasibility of connecting Oak Ridge Mutual Water Company and portions of Via Del Sol Drive Area to the Aromas Water System. Under the Agreement, to the extent permitted by law, Aromas will repay the $7,500 to the County if an assessment district is successfully formed to implement a project to connect Oak Ridge and portions of Via Del Sol Drive Area to Aromas.
Preliminary conclusions have been identified for the connection. According to the Engineer’s Water System Study, “Oak Ridge Mutual Water Company and the Via Del Sol Drive area could be integrated into the water system of the Aromas Water District System.” (Attached is a copy of the Water System Engineer’s Report prepared by Freitas & Freitas, Engineering and Planning Consultants, Inc. for Connection of Oak Ridge Mutual Water Company and Via Del Sol Drive Area to Aromas Water District.)

In addition to the $7,500 previously provided by the County for the Water System Engineer’s Study there is a need to provide $155,000 in funding to Aromas Water District for preparation of an Engineer’s Report to include surveying, engineering and design fees, Appraisers Fee, LAFCO Report Fee and Environmental Document costs for the connection of Oak Ridge Mutual Water Company and portion of Via Del Sol Drive Area to the Aromas Water System. As with the $7,500 previously provided if an assessment district is successfully formed to implement this project, Aromas will repay the $155,000. Should a Proposition 218 Assessment fail, the County funds provided to Aromas will be deemed a County Contribution without repayment. County Counsel has determined that: “The County of Monterey has a legitimate public purpose in the use of its funds for this purpose. The project will contribute to the public health, safety, and welfare by contributing to a project designed to provide potable water to certain County residents in a situation where those citizens do not have a reliable source of potable water.”

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:
The Public Works Director has been apprised of the expenditure of $155,000 from the Capital Projects Fund to provide to Aromas Water District. County Counsel will assist the County Administrative Officer in development of the Agreement between the County and the Aromas Water District for this $155,000 funding.

FINANCING:
There are sufficient appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund to provide for this $155,000 expenditure of funds for the preparation of this critical work.

Approved by:  
Lew Baum
County Administrative Officer

Prepared By:  
Rosie Pando
Assistant County Administrative Officer

Attachment -- Water System Engineer’s Report prepared by Freitas & Freitas, Engineering and Planning Consultants, Inc. for Connection of Oak Ridge Mutual Water Company and Via Del Sol Drive Area to Aromas Water District

c: Yaz Emrani, Director of Public Works  
Michael J. Miller, Auditor-Controller  
Charles McKee, County Counsel
Before the Board of Supervisors in and for the County of Monterey, State of California

Budget No: 09/10 – 126
Consider the following staff recommendations:

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b. Transfer $155,000 from County Capital Projects Fund 402, Unit 8174, Account 7521, Buildings and Improvements to Account 7201, Contributions to Other Agencies;

c. Authorize the County Administrative Officer to execute an Agreement with the Aromas Water District outlining the Agreement Terms for Funding of specified work and repayment via successful Proposition 218 Assessment District; and

d. Authorize, should Assessment District fail, the County funds provided to Aromas Water District will be deemed a County Contribution without repayment. (This item was moved from the Consent Calendar)

Upon motion of Supervisor Calcagno, seconded by Supervisor Armenta, and carried by those members present, the Board hereby:

a. Authorized the expenditure of $155,000 from the County's Capital Projects Fund 402 to Aromas Water District for preparation of an Engineer's Report to include surveying, engineering and design fees, Appraisers Fee, LAFCO Report Fee and Environmental Document costs for the connection of Oak Ridge Mutual Water Company and portion of Via Del Sol Drive Area to the Aromas Water System;

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PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of April, 2010, by the following vote, to wit:
AYES: Supervisors Armenta, Calcagno, Salinas, Parker, Potter
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

I, Gail T. Borkowski, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original order of said Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof of Minute Book 75 for the meeting on April 13, 2010.

Dated: April 16, 2010

Gail T. Borkowski, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Monterey, State of California

By ___________________________
Deputy