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TO: All Fairs

SUBJECT: 2020 Facility Condition Assessment and Proposition 68 – SB 5 Bond Measure (SB 5) Cycle 2 Funds

The California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA), Fairs and Expositions Branch (F&E) is pleased to announce that Cycle 2 facility improvement projects have been pre-selected to advance to the next step of the SB 5 award process. A total of 248 fairground facility improvement projects were submitted by the 64 fairs that participated in the 2020 Facility Condition Assessment conducted by the California Construction Authority (CCA). The top priority project for each fairground that participated in the 2020 Assessment was scored and ranked by a selection committee comprised of CDFA and fair industry representatives that were charged with the responsibility of evaluating the projects submitted for consideration. The seven projects that were pre-selected ranked the highest through the first round of scoring and will move onto the next step of the process, the deep dive.

Pre-Selected Fairs		
Fairgrounds Name	Facility Improvement Project	Estimated Project Cost (Pre-Deep Dive) ¹
18th DAA - Eastern Sierra Tri-County Fair	Charles Brown Heating and Air System	\$400,400
24th DAA - Tulare County Fair	Building 3 Repairs	\$1,250,000
31st DAA - Ventura County Fair	Santa Cruz Hall Roof Replacement	\$468,000
39th DAA - Calaveras County Fair	Sewer System Upgrade - Phase 2	\$1,375,000
45th DAA - California Mid-Winter Fair & Fiesta	Electrical System Upgrade	\$1,500,000
Butte County Fair	Emergency Facility Upgrade	\$934,076
Salinas Valley Fair	Exposition Building Improvements for Emergency Use	\$321,750

¹ The estimated project cost will be adjusted based on the results of the deep dive.



The deep dive process will consist of a more thorough review of the project, conducted by CCA or the Department of General Services (DGS). The purpose of the deep dive is for CCA and DGS to perform an in-depth inspection to determine an accurate scope of work (SOW), budget, and estimated timeline for each pre-selected project. Once the deep dive process has been completed, the seven pre-selected projects will undergo a second round of scoring to help identify which projects will be awarded funds from Cycle 2 of SB 5. There are about \$6.2 million available in Cycle 2 and funds are expected to be awarded in early 2021.

If your fairground participated in the two previous Facility Condition Assessments, but has not been awarded funds, or been pre-selected, please be advised that during Cycle 3 (the last funding cycle for Prop 68 – SB 5) there will be one additional opportunity for your projects to be funded. There are \$6 million available for Cycle 3 allocation, but F&E has decided to reserve \$1.5 million for projects that go over the original estimated budget. This leaves about \$4.5 million to be awarded in Cycle 3. In order to expedite Cycle 3 allocations, we anticipate using the Facility Condition Assessments and scores that we already have on file. Cycle 3 funding is expected to be awarded in Spring 2021. *Please continue reading for information on opportunities to receive future funding.*

As a reminder, the goal of the Facility Condition Assessment is to create a Fairground Facility Condition Improvement Project List that can be updated periodically to make sure it remains as current and relevant as possible. If you did not submit up to five projects during the past two Facility Condition Assessment periods conducted by CCA, you still have the opportunity to do so. Please contact F&E deferred maintenance staff, Sofia Goss at sofia.goss@cdfa.ca.gov, or Greg Ferrero at gregory.ferrero@cdfa.ca.gov for information on the process to submit additional projects. Finally, if your fair previously submitted projects that have been, or will be initiated prior to receiving funding from CDFCA, please let us know so we can update the project list.

We are excited to continue awarding SB 5 funds and look forward to completing more facility improvement projects on fairgrounds across the state.

If you have any questions, please contact Mike Francesconi with Fairs and Expositions at (916) 900-5365.

Sincerely,



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