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TO: All Board members and CEO's
SUBJECT: Deferred Maintenance Project Update

The California Department of Food and Agriculture Fairs & Expositions (F&E) Branch is pleased to announce that a simplified process has been identified to allocate the seven million dollars of deferred maintenance monies. The monies will be used to complete eighty-one fire, life and safety projects at forty-three fairgrounds.

The monies will be appropriated, via grant agreements, to each fair. This process will allow for F&E to directly allocate monies to each fair. The fair will then identify professional project management/inspection services to complete the identified project. It is anticipated that the grant agreement process will start in April 2016. Project monies are to be encumbered by Fall 2016, and projects are to be completed by December 2017. To assist the fairs to better understand the grant agreement process, conference calls can be set up with F&E staff to review the agreements with fair staff.

The projects were identified with the assistance of the *2015 Critical and Urgent Deferred Maintenance and Infrastructure Needs* survey. The survey, as conducted by the California Fair Services Authority (CFSA), provided a great deal of information regarding the deferred maintenance needs of each fair. A copy of the survey and complete list of eighty-one projects are attached.

We are very excited that the fair industry has been provided these monies to address critical deferred maintenance issues. F&E looks forward to working with each fair to successfully complete the projects. If you have any questions, please contact me at 916-900-5025 or via email at John.Quiroz@cdfa.ca.gov.

Best regards,

John Quiroz

Attachments

