



# COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

## AGENDA ITEM

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**DATE:** May 10, 2022

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

### **SUBJECT**

**APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023  
(DISTRICTS: 1, 2, 3, 5)**

### **OVERVIEW**

On March 1, 2022 (16), the Capital Improvement Needs Assessment prioritizing capital projects for Fiscal Years 2022-2027 was approved and referred to the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) for funding and timelines for implementation of individual projects. At that time, the CINA included several priority projects recommended for funding in Fiscal Year 2022-23. Since then, additional funding has been identified to allow the initiation of design, environmental and construction toward six capital projects, currently planned for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 or later, in Fiscal Year 2022-2023: Lindo Lake Improvements (Phase II), San Luis Rey River Park (SLRRP) Acquisition and Improvement, Mira Mesa Epicentre, Stelzer Ranger Station Renovation, Sweetwater Bike Skills Park Restrooms, and Tijuana River Valley Regional Park Active Recreation and Community Park. Today's action requests the Board of Supervisors approve modifications to the Capital Improvement Needs Assessment (CINA) prioritizing capital projects for Fiscal Years 2022-2023 as filed with the Clerk of the Board and refer them to the Chief Administrative Officer for funding and timelines for implementation. Upon approval, the funding associated with these projects will be included in the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 CAO Recommended Operational Plan Change Letter.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

#### **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. Find that the approval and referral of these projects to the Chief Administrative Officer for timing and funding determinations is not an approval of a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15352 and 15378(b)(4).
2. Approve the modifications to the Capital Improvement Needs Assessment (CINA) prioritizing capital projects for Fiscal Years 2022-2023 as filed with the Clerk of the Board and refer them to the Chief Administrative Officer for funding and timelines for implementation.

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**EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Equity is incorporated throughout the capital project planning process and carried through to the design and execution of the capital project. Several factors are taken into consideration when adding a project, including customer service benefits and improving access to services; reducing operating costs and increasing our commitment to sustainability; fulfilling legally binding mandates; addressing life, safety and emergency issues; and improving quality of life for all county residents.

If approved and constructed, these capital projects will result in the planning, design and construction of infrastructure that will ultimately improve the equitable distribution of facilities that provide opportunities and services for some of the region’s most vulnerable and under-served populations. Additionally, approval and construction of the capital projects would result in upgrades to and replacements of aged infrastructure, ensuring the County continues to improve access and remove barriers for persons of all abilities.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

If approved, today’s recommendation will result in \$29.8 million of costs which will be reflected in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 CAO Recommended Operational Plan Change Letter. The funding source is General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance. Future project costs, including operations and maintenance, will be reflected in subsequent year operational plans.

**BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**ADVISORY BOARD STATEMENT**

N/A

**BACKGROUND**

*Capital Improvement Needs Assessment (CINA) Planning Process.* The Capital Improvement Needs Assessment (CINA), a planning document created in conformance with the County of San Diego's General Management System and Board of Supervisors (Board) Policy G-16, includes planned land acquisitions and capital improvements over a five-year period, and is reviewed and revised annually. Projects identified on the CINA are essential to the development of a robust Capital Improvement Program (CIP). Currently, the County’s CIP portfolio, valued at over \$1 billion, includes efforts that will transform the behavioral health continuum of care, modernize rural fire stations, revitalize existing infrastructure, and improve access to the County’s extensive network of regional parks. On March 1, 2022 (16), the Capital Improvement Needs Assessment prioritizing County of San Diego (County) capital projects for Fiscal Years 2022-2027 was approved.

Discussion at the March 1, 2022, Board meeting conveyed current and anticipated work to be done in order to increase transparency, incorporate equity into the prioritization process, clearly identify community touch points in the process of developing the next CINA, and ensure alignment with sustainability planning efforts. Based on discussions at this meeting, County staff is actively involved in discussions with the community regarding the County’s capital planning

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process and will report to the Board with proposed updates to County practices and policies in preparation for the development of the Fiscal Year 2023-2028 CINA.

*Capital Projects Proposed to be Moved to Fiscal Year 2022-2023 in the CINA.* Recently, additional available funding has been identified. Today’s action will move six projects, currently planned for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 or later in the CINA, to Fiscal Year 2022-2023. Description of the projects and estimated costs are in the table below.

<b>Project</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Lindo Lake Improvements (Phase II)	Construction of Phase II of a restoration project that is deepening and cleaning out the lakebed. Construction is anticipated to be complete in Summer 2024.	2	\$15,500,000
San Luis Rey River Park (SLRRP) Acquisition and Improvement	Support the acquisition to establish Rio Prado Park in Fallbrook. This acquisition is anticipated to be complete in FY 22/23 and will allow for design and future construction of the park.	5	\$5,000,000
Mira Mesa Epicentre	Design, environmental, and construction of upgrades to the existing Mira Mesa Youth and Community Center. Construction is anticipated to be complete in Summer 2024.	3	\$4,350,000
Stelzer Ranger Station Renovation	Construction of ranger station and interpretive center to replace the existing ranger station in the same location. Construction is anticipated to be complete in Fall 2023.	2	\$900,000
Sweetwater Bike Skills Park Restrooms	Construction to add a restroom and expand parking facilities at the existing Sweetwater Bike Park in Bonita. Construction is anticipated to be complete in Summer 2023.	1	\$2,000,000
Tijuana River Valley Regional Park Active Recreation and Community Park	Design and environmental analysis of a new 64-acre park. The project will include community outreach, planning, design, permitting, and environmental analysis for the local park and sports complex.	1	\$2,000,000
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$29,750,000</b>

Today's request would approve adding these projects to Fiscal Year 2022-2023 and refer them to the Chief Administrative Officer for funding and timelines to implement individual projects.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT**

The approval and referral of these projects to the Chief Administrative Officer for timing and funding determinations is not an approval of a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The action does not commit the County to a definite course of action with respect to any project listed on the CINA (CEQA Guidelines, Sections 15352 and 15378(b)(4)).

**LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Today's proposed action to approve the addition of six additional capital projects for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 supports the Strategic Initiatives of Sustainability, Equity, and Community in the County of San Diego's 2022-2027 Strategic Plan. These projects would help ensure that neighborhoods are safe for residents to live, work and play; support environments that foster viable, livable communities while bolstering economic growth; make it easier for residents to lead healthy lives while improving opportunities for children and adults; and provide equitable access to essential infrastructure to ensure superior delivery of services to our residents.

Respectfully submitted,



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Chief Administrative Officer

**ATTACHMENT(S)**

Attachment A - Revised 2022-2027 CINA