



City of Grass Valley City Council Agenda Action Sheet

Title: Letter of Support - Development of Solutions for SB 1383 Compliance and Vegetation Fuel Reduction Waste

CEQA: Not a Project.

Recommendation: That Council review and approve the Letter of Support for the Development of Solutions for SB 1383 Compliance and Vegetation Fuel Reduction Waste.

Prepared by: Timothy M. Kiser, City Manager

Council Meeting Date: June 10, 2025

Date Prepared: June 4, 2025

Agenda: Consent

Background Information: Senate Bill 1383 (SB 1383), enacted by the State of California, mandates a 75% reduction in the statewide disposal of organic waste by 2025 as part of a broader strategy to reduce methane emissions and mitigate the environmental impacts of food and green waste. Concurrently, the City of Grass Valley and the surrounding region face growing wildfire risks due to accumulated vegetation, unmanaged wood waste, and extended drought conditions.

In response to these dual challenges—state-mandated organic waste diversion and the urgent need for wildfire fuel reduction—the City of Grass Valley recognizes the importance of supporting the development and implementation of innovative, sustainable waste management solutions. These include projects such as composting facilities, biofuel generation, biomass energy initiatives, and other environmentally responsible methods that help divert organic and vegetative waste from landfills and reduce fire hazards.

To that end, City staff has prepared a draft letter of support for Council consideration. The intent of the letter is to provide a general statement of support from the City to assist developers, entrepreneurs, and agencies pursuing projects that align with SB 1383 goals and regional vegetation and wood waste management efforts. The letter also affirms the City's commitment to participating in collaborative efforts and exploring infrastructure development that enhances community resilience and environmental sustainability.

Approval of this letter will enable the City to proactively support funding applications, permitting efforts, and regional partnerships that further these critical goals.

Council Goals/Objectives: The execution of this action attempts to achieve Strategic Goal #5 - High Performance Government and Quality Service.

Fiscal Impact: At this time, there is no budgetary impact on the City's budget for this item.

Funds Available: N/A

Account #: N/A

Reviewed by: Tim Kiser, City Manager

Attachments: Draft Letter of Support