

September 29, 2026

Board of Supervisors
Kern County Administrative Center
1115 Truxtun Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93301

**PROPOSED REALLOCATION OF EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS TO FUND INCREASED COSTS FOR
BENA ULTRA LOW NOX FLARE PROJECT (All S.D.s)**

(Fiscal Impact: \$600,000; Solid Waste Enterprise Fund; Not Budgeted; Discretionary)

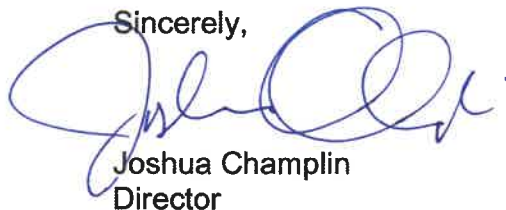
The Public Works Department requests your Board's approval to reallocate existing appropriations for a total amount of \$600,000 within Public Works Solid Waste Enterprise Capital Project cost center, 3412CC, to fund the increased costs for the Bena Ultra Low Nox Flare project.

The Solid Waste Division needs to install a higher efficiency flare at the Bena Sanitary Landfill that can meet the lower nitrogen oxide (NOx) emissions requirements of the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District's (SJVAPCD) Rule 4311. The existing flares currently operated at the landfill do not meet the emissions requirements of SJVAPCD Rule 4311 and will need to be replaced by an Ultra-Low NOx flare to achieve compliance. A new flare will be manufactured and delivered to the Bena landfill for installation by a third party.

To facilitate the funding for the increase costs for the Bena Ultra Low Nox Flare project, it is necessary to reallocate existing appropriations in the amount of \$600,000 within Fund 5010FD – Cost Center 3412CC – account 1004SC – Capital Projects – Infrastructure. The current budget includes \$1,500,000 for the Roberts Lane Improvement project and \$485,000 for the Bena Phase 2 Module 4 Lift 6 Gas Collector. The department will reallocate \$250,000 from the Roberts Lane Improvement project and \$350,000 from the Bena Phase 2 Module 4 Lift 6 Gas Collector to fund the increased costs for the Bena Ultra Low NOx Flare project. Because the full budgeted amounts for the two projects will not be needed during fiscal year 26/27, these funds will be restored in the following fiscal year. As a result, the budgeted funds are available for reallocation to cover the increased Capital Project costs.

Therefore, IT IS RECOMMENDED that your Board approve the reallocation of existing appropriations in the amount of \$600,000 to fund increased costs for Bena Ultra Low Nox Flare project and authorize the Auditor-Controller to process the specified budgetary adjustments and accounting transactions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joshua Champlin".

Joshua Champlin
Director



Budget Amendment: - Project Operating Total
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Budget Template Project Operating Total Expense : 251127PRJ Budget
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Amendment ID BUDAMD2700162
Amendment Date 09/29/2026
Description Additional funds needed for flare purchase
Amendment Type Additional Project Funding
Balanced Amendment No
Status Draft
Budget Currency USD

Budget Amendment Entries

Period	*Ledger Account/Summary	*Project	Debit Amount	Credit Amount	Currency Rate	Base Debit Amount	Base Credit Amount	Base Currency	Memo	Exceptions
07/01/2025 - 06/30/2027 (251127PRJ Budget)	Kern Parent Account Set: Budget Expenses	Capital Project - Bena Ultra Low Nox Flare	\$600,000.00	\$0.00	1	600,000.00	0.00	USD	Funds coming from 250765PRJ \$250k & 251126PRJ \$350k	



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Amendment Type Additional Project Funding
Balanced Amendment No
Status Draft
Budget Currency USD

Budget Amendment Entries

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07/01/2025 - 06/30/2027 (251126PRJ Budget)	Kern Parent Account Set: Budget Expenses	Capital Project - Bena Pahse 2 Module 4 Lift 6 Gas Collector	\$0.00	\$350,000.00	1	0.00	350,000.00	USD	Fund to be used for 251127PRJ	