KERN COUNTY / Public Works

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Board of Supervisors
Kern County Administrative Center
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PROPOSED REALLOCATION OF EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS TO FUND INCREASED COSTS FOR SHAFTER-WASCO LANDFILL GAS IMPROVEMENTS (S.D. #4)
(Fiscal Impact: $572,000; Solid Waste Enterprise C.P.; Budgeted; Discretionary)

The Public Works Department requests your Board's approval to reallocate appropriations in the total amount of $572,000 within the Public Works Solid Waste Enterprise C.P. Fund 5010FD, to fund increased costs for the Shafter-Wasco Landfill Gas Improvements. Sufficient funding is available in current year Capital Projects - Infrastructure within Fund 5010FD and Cost Center 3412CC.

The Solid Waste Division needs to expand the existing landfill gas (LFG) extraction system infrastructure and install additional landfill gas extraction wells at the Shafter-Wasco Recycling Sanitary Landfill to improve the extraction system coverage and keep pace with the landfill growth. These improvements are needed to mitigate landfill gas migration, to prevent excessive surface emissions, and maintain compliance with California Code of Regulations (CCR) Title 27 and San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District Regulations. An additional 3200 feet of vacuum header and 16 new extraction wells will be installed and connected to the existing LFG collection network to improve gas collection. This project was originally allocated $572,000 in Fiscal Year 2025-26. Of the $572,000 budgeted in Fiscal Year 2025-26 for this project, $0 was expended and the funds were not carried forward into Fiscal Year 2026-27. As a result, an additional $572,000 is required in FY 2026-27 to complete this project. Approval of this funding will increase the total project budget to an amount not to exceed $875,000.

To facilitate the funding for the increased costs for the Shafter-Wasco Landfill Gas Improvements, it is necessary to reallocate appropriations in the amount of $572,000 within Fund 5010FD – Cost Center 3412CC – Current Year Account 1004SC – Capital Projects – Infrastructure. The Department budgeted $4,500,000 for the Shafter-Wasco Landfill Module 4 Project. The full budgeted amount will not be utilized for this current Fiscal Year 2026-27. Therefore, the budgeted funds are available for reallocation for the increase of the Capital Project costs.

Therefore, IT IS RECOMMENDED that your Board approve the reallocation of existing appropriations to fund increased costs associated with the Shafter-Wasco Landfill Gas Improvements Project, in the amount of $572,000 for a total amount not to exceed $875,000; authorize the Auditor-Controller to process the necessary budgetary adjustments and accounting transactions.

Sincerely,

Joshua Champlin
Director

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Budget Amendment: - Project Operating Total Expense on 11/17/2026 : BUDAMD2700261

Company	Kern County
Budget Template	Project Operating Total Expense : 251140PRJ Budget
Budget	251140PRJ Budget
Amendment ID	BUDAMD2700261
Amendment Date	11/17/2026
Description	Additional Funds Needed for Project
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 (251140PRJ Budget)	Kern Parent Account Set: Budget Expenses	Capital Project - Shafter-Wasco Landfil Header Extension	$572,000.00	$0.00	1	572,000.00	0.00	USD	Funds coming from Shafter-Wasco Landfill Module 4 - 250506PRJ	

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Company	Kern County
Budget Template	Project Operating Total Expense : 250506PRJ_Project Operating Total Expense
Budget	250506PRJ_Project Operating Total Expense
Amendment ID	BUDAMD2700262
Amendment Date	11/17/2026
Description	Decrease Funds Needed for 251140PRJ
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
07/01/2024 - 06/30/2026 (250506PRJ_Project Operating Total Expense)	Kern Parent Account Set: Budget Expenses	8149 SHAFTER-WASCO LANDFILL MODULE 4	$0.00	$572,000.00	1	0.00	572,000.00	USD	Decrease funds needed for 251140PRJ	