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**AGENDA ITEM: 25. Water Plan Grants**

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**Introduction:**

The Water Plan Grant applications reviewed at this Board meeting were received by the July 1, 2021 deadline. Grants requests equal to or greater than \$100,000 are included in this agenda item. Grant requests greater than \$50,000 but less than \$100,000 and grants not recommended for funding are included in the consent agenda. Grant requests recommended by staff and that were equal to \$50,000 or less were approved by the CWCB Director. A summary of the Director Approved grants is included in the Director's Report.

**Background:**

In the 2021 legislative session, HB21-1260 General Fund Transfer to Implement State Water Plan provided \$15 million for the Water Plan Grant Program. The board is required to award all of the funding by July 1, 2023. The starting balance of the Water Plan Grant Program this fiscal year was \$26.2 million. If the board awards all grants as recommended by staff, the balance after this board meeting will be \$12.9 million.

