

Approval of Agreement with Gold Ridge Resource Conservation District for Expansion of Existing Rainwater Harvesting Rebate Program



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Funding Opportunity

- Purpose: Increase rainwater harvesting capacity in Santa Rosa
- Gold Ridge Resource Conservation District (RCD) pass-through grant funding of up to \$20,000
- Rebate would double to \$0.50 per gallon of rainwater storage installed
 - \$0.25/gal from Gold Ridge RCD
 - \$0.25/gal from Santa Rosa Water
- Quarterly reporting requirement

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Existing Rainwater Harvesting Rebate

\$0.25/gallon stored

~8 participants annually

176,000 gallons rebated

Rebate started in 2009



Enhanced Rebate Program

- \$0.50 per gallon of rainwater harvesting installed
- Goal = Install 40,000 gallons of storage
- Increased funding expires September 30, 2024, or when funding is expended
- Technical, hands-on workshops offered to customers

Recommendation

It is recommended by the Water Department that the Board of Public Utilities, by motion, approve the Agreement for Rainwater Catchment Rebate Program Support between Gold Ridge Resource Conservation District and the City of Santa Rosa.