



To: Bay Area UASI Approval Authority
From: Craig Dziedzic, General Manager
Date: August 08, 2019
Re: Item 04: General Manager's Report

Recommendation:

Approve the Funding Strategy for the NCRIC's Operations.

Action or Discussion Items:

- a. Northern California Regional Intelligence Center (NCRIC) Funding Strategy (Action)
- b. Regional Training and Exercise Program Request for Proposals (RFP) Update (Discussion)
- c. Management Team Tracking Tool and Future Agenda Items (Discussion)

Discussion/Description:

(a) Northern California Regional Intelligence Center (NCRIC) Funding Strategy (Action).

Background

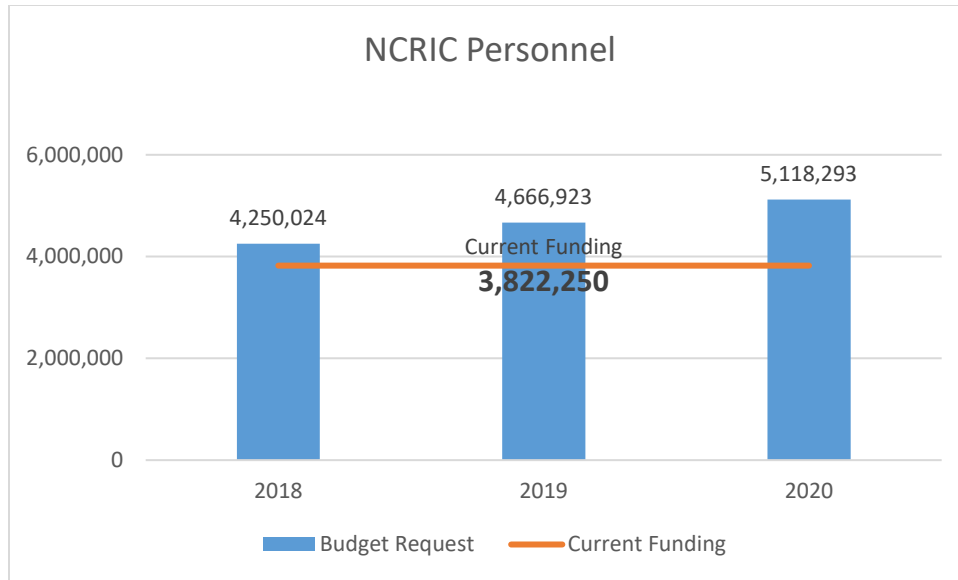
At the July 11, 2019 Approval Authority meeting, Approval Authority members requested a sustainable funding strategy to adequately address the NCRIC's operations to preclude funding its operations from other regional allocations such as the regional hubs.

Issue

How do we continue to fund the operations of the NCRIC when the personnel expenses (i.e., fringe benefits) have been increasing on an annual basis in light of an overall level of grant funding for the region.

Discussion

For both FY 2018 and FY 2019, the Bay Area UASI allocation has remained leveled at the net amount of \$22.7 mil. Similarly, the overall allocation for the NCRIC remained the same at approx. \$4.4 mil. However, the NCRIC's organizational expenses (i.e., personnel) have increased \$400,000 per year from \$4.25 mil (FY 2018) and \$4.66 (FY 2019); which in effect leaves the organization with a budget shortage of (-\$428K) FY2018 and (-\$845K) FY 2019. (See graph below). A major contributing factor for the increase in NCRIC operating expenses are the Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) and fringe benefits paid to its personnel - a total of \$835,654 (FY 2018).



Strategy

1. Allocate an additional 3% to the NCRIC’s annual allocation earmarked to cover COLA and fringe benefits. Such funds would only be used for such expenditures and not be reallocated to other expenditures.
2. Funding for the organizational expenditures of the NCRIC should be derived solely from the allocation of regional sustainment projects, not from the HUB allocations.
3. Adopt a cost sharing arrangement with the allied agencies whereby they would pay for fringe benefits and the NCRIC would pay for the salaries of their assigned employees.
4. Request CalOES to increase its funding amount of \$1 mil.

(b) Regional Training/Exercise Request for Proposals (RFP) Update

The Regional Training/Exercise was issued by the City and County of San Francisco on July 19, 2019. The Deadline for submitting written questions occurred on August 2nd; the posting of written responses occurred during the week of August 12th. The deadline for submitting a proposal is August 27th. The Management Team will be forming an initial review of the proposals on September 17th followed by a technical review on October 8th. The Selection of the T/E Administrator will occur at the November 8th Approval authority.

(c) Management Team Tracking Tool and Future Agenda Items

Attached as Appendix A is the Management Team Tracking Tool. Members may submit future agenda items to the General Manager.