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OPTIONS FOR TSD-SPONSORED TURF REMOVAL CLASS

Summary

On October 20, 2018, Triunfo Sanitation District (TSD) sponsored one of the two available customer classes offered by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD): California Friendly Landscape Training. At the October 22 Board meeting, your Board requested staff to schedule the second MWD customer class (Residential Turf Removal Training) in early 2019. This class covers the following topics:

- Do-it-yourself approach to removal of existing grass
- Garden design planning
- Soil preparation
- Incorporating a water-efficient irrigation system
- Using climate-appropriate plants
- Maintaining a new drought-tolerant landscape

Staff contacted the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District and Green Media Creations (the company that conducts the classes for MWD) and came up with the following potential dates for a session to be conducted from 9:00 to noon on a Saturday morning at the Mae Boyar Recreation Center in Oak Park:

- March 23
- March 30
- April 6
- April 13
- May 11
- May 18

Fiscal Impact

MWD offers the class free of charge to member agencies; thus, costs would be limited to "support charges" such as venue and chair rental, refreshments, and supplies (all of which are estimated to total less than \$500) plus 10-20 hours of staff support/promotion time.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the TSD Board review and discuss the above dates and:

- 1. Confirm that the Board wishes to proceed with a Residential Turf Removal Training class;
- 2. Provide staff with three dates from the above list (in order of preference); and
- 3. Direct staff to schedule, promote, and coordinate the class accordingly.

If you have questions regarding this project, please call me at (805) 658-4608 or email sandywarren@vrsd.com.

SANDY WARREN - MANAGEMENT ANALYST

REVIEWED AND APPROVED: ______

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