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Revised LB 962 Budget Sheet - Explanation of Potential Funding Availability

Attachments: LB962 -m Pgm 310 - Interrelated Budget Commitments - April 23 reg zz3.xls

## Brian -

Attached is a revised LB 962 budget sheet. Since you asked about how much funding was uncommitted and available this year, I've included an explanation in this e-mail.

The explanation at the bottom of the attached budget table notes that there are \$181,736 in uncommitted "other" funds for studies that I've carried over into FY08 and could instead be expended in 07 on whatever was needed. In addition there is \$10,721 in funds that we don't expect to expend this year and are tentatively pegged to modeler training. However, that is not committed and could be added to the \$181,736 if needed. Although it is impossible to determine from the attached table, Rex also tells me that effectively \$36,399 of the State Aid / Incentives funds are not committed and could be expended as needed. If you add all of those together the total could come to \$228,856.

Please note that this budget does not include \$50,000 in funds that we were reimbursed by NRDs on the Loup-Elkhorn modeling effort. My understanding is that we have the funds but are not allowed to expend them. If we receive that permission it would up our uncommitted funds by \$50,000. Rex is working with Mike Salzwedel as I am writing this to try to get those funds released. If they were released our available uncommitted 962 funding total could become as high as \$278,856.

I do have one major caveat to add. There is a COHYST contract committing us to \$56,491 in FY 06 and \$54,551 in FY 07 with a portion of that to be in-kind. We have paid only \$33,491 in cash in FY 06 and I have made the assumption that we will be paying no more in cash for FY 07 or 08. You will need to check with Ann on that assumption since I believe she has talked with Don Kraus on the Hydrology Sponsors budget. If any additional must be paid in cash, then it would reduce our funding availability.

Steve