

## EXHIBIT 8-A



**Monterey Peninsula Water Management District  
GRANT PROPOSAL  
For  
Monterey Peninsula Unified School District**

### **Turf removal**

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Project Site Addresses: 1.. Martin Luther King School  
1713 Broadway Ave, Seaside, CA 93955

Account: City of Seaside Water: 04-7590-00

Proposed turf removal: **Turf removal 10,508 sq feet  
Requesting \$1 per square foot Turf removal incentive.  
\$10,508**

Proposed Projects: MPUSD's water conservation program is dedicated to improving schools landscape by creating drought tolerant educational learning gardens and environments. In 2017-18 with the funding of the Broadway Demonstration Garden all 23,932 square feet of non-essential turf will be removed and converted into high quality drought tolerate Landscapes.

### **Preliminary to proposed project**

In spring 2014 MPUSD received a grant from MPWMD to install Hydro-point weather trak ET Pro controllers at the Cal Am serviced sites. The grant proposal was met and exceeded by installing all the controllers, as well as eliminating manual and battery operated zones.

In 2014 MPWMD funded a field retrofit and master water conservation Plan for Ord Terrace Elementary. This project has inspired MPUSD to commit to water conservation

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landscapes. Ord terrace eliminated 100% of the ornamental turf and replaced it with drought tolerant landscape. Water use has been reduced at Ord Terrace by 63%.

In summer of 2015 MPUSD funded and installed 27 Hydro-point weather trak ET controllers at the City of Seaside and Marina Coast water serviced sites. Making the districts irrigation fully controlled by Smart weather based irrigation controllers

In summer of 2015 MPUSD administration and board approved the use of water utility savings to be used to retrofit our fields irrigation, implement a turf removal plan and set up a turf maintenance program. The MPUSD Energy Program in collaboration with the facilities department has created a six year field retrofit plan and a six year Ornamental Turf removal plan.

In the 2015-16 school year MPUSD is implementing a 5<sup>th</sup> grade Eco- Ambassador program. Throughout the school year all 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will take classes from Return of the Native, Pacific Grove Museum and Monterey Art Council. Part of the goal of this program is to educate the students about water conservation and to create a Native garden with passive and active storm water catchment. The designs for these gardens are inspired by the professional designs funded by the Ord Terrace grant.

In 2016 City of Seaside and MPWMD funded \$20,000 turf removal incentive for the 87,000 square feet of turf eliminated in the King Sports Complex field retrofit project.

As the Coordinator of Renewable Energy and Conservation. I am working diligently to conserve water across the whole school district. The momentum of the MPUSD water conservation plan is growing. MPUSD is committed to reduce the need for water across the district. By 2021 we have the goal of reducing ornamental turf by 65% and to retrofit every field with efficient irrigation systems including flow sensors and master valves. MPUSD has been asked to speak at a state level as a leader in school districts water conservation. MPUSD has reduced its water use by 58% compared to the base year of 2013.

In 2016 MPUSD was awarded a Drought Response Outreach Program for Schools Grant to implement Storm water LID projects and education at 4 Seaside Schools.

In 2017 MPUSD has applied to MPWMD to remove 13,424 sqft of turf and create a partnership water conservation demonstration garden on Broadway Ave.

I look forward to working with MPWMD for many years.

Thank you

David Chandler

Coordinator of Renewable Energy and Conservation

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**ATTACHMENT 1**

**SITE Photo**



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**ATTACHMENT 2**  
**PROPOSED PLAN**

Site

Project

1. Martin Luther  
King Jr. School

Turf removal

Turf removal. Design and implement  
drought tolerant Landscapes and Learning  
environments.

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### **ATTACHMENT 3**

#### **BUDGET**

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| <p><b>Monterey Peninsula Water Management District</b><br/><b>LANDSCAPE GRANT PROPOSAL</b><br/><b>MONTEREY PENINSULA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT</b><br/><b>BUDGET \$10508</b></p> <p><b>Turf removal 10,508 square feet</b></p> <p><b>Turf removal funds \$1 per square foot: \$10,508 (Plants, Cisterns, benches, landscape material)</b></p> <p><b>MPUSD will provide In-Kind Matching funds: equipment and labor</b></p> |
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### **ATTACHMENT 4**

#### **PROJECT TIMELINE**

Upon MPWMD award of proposal MPUSD and MPWMD will start working on Design July-August. Turf removal/ storm water engineering would be complete February 2018. The demonstration garden would be ready to plant in spring 2018.

### **ATTACHMENT 5**

#### **MAINTENANCE PLAN**

The MPUSD maintenance department will maintain the area. This maintenance will be scheduled monthly. In addition since it is a partnership volunteer groups will be scheduled 2-3 times a year for planting and maintenance.

David Chandler, the MPUSD Coordinator of Renewable Energy and Conservation, will oversee implementation of proposed irrigation projects.

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### **ATTACHMENT 6**

#### **WATER SAVINGS**

Currently Martin Luther King Jr. School has 24,332 square feet of irrigated non-essential grass. 10,504 sq ft of turf would use 329,051 gallons of water annually. The new proposal would abandon the current irrigation and water using cisterns, gravity feed and hand watering. This area as a drought tolerant garden would use 52,099 gallons, 20%+ of that would be stored in cisterns. This proposal will reduce water use 276,952 gallons, a 84%+ reduction in water use.

### **ATTACHMENT 7**

#### **CURRENT LANDSCAPING INFORMATION**

|       | <u>H2O Requirement</u>     | <u>Current Irrigation</u> |
|-------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Field | Turf (High) 10,504 sq. ft. | MP rotors                 |