



SCHOOL BOARD MEETING REPORT

Board Meeting Date: 9/19/18 Superintendent: Dave Valenzuela

Administrator/Staff: Steven Fuller

Type of Item: ☐ Informational ☒ Action

Please state your proposal briefly and clearly. What do you want the board to know, discuss, or decide?

Propose to apply for Blue Sky Community Project Funds from Pacific Power for a solar system at Applegate School. Blue Sky funding awards cover up to 100 percent of the capital costs to install qualifying, new renewable energy systems for non-residential sites in Pacific Power's service area.

The projects selected provide strong environmental, economic and educational benefits to the communities we serve. The grant submission would be in the summer of 2019. Grant recipients will be notified early 2020.

Provide history/background information on your proposal:

Given the rising costs of energy and our desire to make a difference by supporting renewable energy generation, Applegate School would like to prepare and submit an application to Pacific Power for the installation of solar project.

List the advantages of your proposal:

The economic advantages would be to reduce Applegate's energy costs. The social and environmental advantages would be to support renewable energy, provide an opportunity for our students to participate in the process and to promote the school in a positive and environmentally conscience light to the community.

List possible disadvantages of your proposal:

If the grant does not cover the entire cost of installation. Also, the usable life of the equipment and maintenance cost of the equipment. All of these issues will be researched and reported prior to any actions taking place.

List possible alternatives that could also offer a solution to your proposal. Why were they not recommended?

Alternative could include building and system upgrades to current equipment to improve efficiencies.

Superintendent's recommendation(s):

Approve: Yes ☒ No ☐