



County of Santa Cruz

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ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

June 1, 2000

AGENDA: June 13, 2000

Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Cruz
701 Ocean Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

SUBJECT: SAN LORENZO RIVER WATERSHED COASTAL CONSERVANCY GRANT

Members of the Board:

On March 7, 2000, your Board authorized staff to seek funding from the State Coastal Conservancy to enhance the fishery component of the San Lorenzo River Watershed Plan update. On March 23, 2000, the Coastal Conservancy Board approved a grant to the County of \$100,000. The County's work will be carried out in coordination with efforts by the City of Santa Cruz to develop strategies for fishery restoration in the lower River lagoon area. We are requesting your Board's approval of a resolution authorizing execution of the contract (on file with the Clerk of the Board) and approval of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City for coordination of effort. The MOU was approved by the City on April 25, 2000.

The project will accomplish the following tasks:

1. Provide a summary and analysis of issues affecting instream habitat and productivity of salmon and steelhead, including sedimentation, long term streamflow reduction, barriers, management of woody debris, temperature, and other factors.
2. Develop an inventory and preliminary designs of erosion control, habitat restoration projects, and recommendations for increased streamflow that will provide the greatest benefit for improving streambed conditions and restoring fish habitat.
3. Complete environmental review for the recommended projects.


Work will be done primarily by consultants, with assistance and oversight from Environmental Health, Planning Department, the Resource Conservation District, State Fish and Game, and other technical and agency experts. Revenue and appropriations for professional services are included in the proposed supplemental budget request for Environmental Health. Work will be completed by April 30, 2002.

It is therefore RECOMMENDED that your Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing the Health Services Agency Administrator to execute the proposed agreement with the State Coastal Conservancy for preparation an Upper San Lorenzo River Watershed Enhancement Plan for fishery improvement and authorizing signature of a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Santa Cruz for coordination of efforts for fisheries improvement in the San Lorenzo River Watershed.

Sincerely,

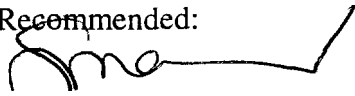


Rama Khalsa
Health Services Agency Administrator


Diane L. Evans, R.E.H.S.
Environmental Health Director

Attachments

Recommended:



Susan A. Mauriello
County Administrative Office

cc: CAO
County Counsel
Auditor
Health Services Agency
Environmental Health
Planning

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
RESOLUTION NO. _____

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On the motion of Supervisor
duly seconded by Supervisor
the following resolution is adopted:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH
THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL CONSERVANCY FOR PREPARATION OF
AN UPPER SAN LORENZO RIVER WATERSHED ENHANCEMENT PLAN
FOR IMPROVEMENT OF THE SALMONID FISHERY,
AND AUTHORIZING SIGNING OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
WITH THE CITY OF SANTA CRUZ**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors adopted the San Lorenzo River Watershed Management Plan on December 18, 1979; and,

WHEREAS, the Board has authorized a review and update of that Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the Board at its meeting of March 7, 2000, authorized staff to seek additional funding assistance from the California Coastal Conservancy to enhance Plan update efforts for improvement of the salmonid fishery; and,

WHEREAS, the California Coastal Conservancy at its meeting of March 23, 2000, awarded a grant to the County of Santa Cruz for the preparation of an Upper San Lorenzo River Watershed Enhancement Plan for improvement of the salmonid fishery; and,

WHEREAS, as a condition of said grant the Coastal Conservancy has required the County to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Santa Cruz to coordinate efforts with the City in its preparation of the San Lorenzo River Lagoon Management Plan, which is also funded by the Coastal Conservancy.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that the Health Services Agency Administrator is authorized to sign an agreement with the California Coastal Conservancy for preparation of an Upper San Lorenzo River Watershed Enhancement Plan and sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Santa Cruz for Coordination and Cooperation in the Preparation of the Upper San Lorenzo River Watershed Enhancement Plan and the San Lorenzo River Lagoon Management Plan.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this _____ day of _____, 2000 by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS


NOES: SUPERVISORS

ABSENT: SUPERVISORS

Chairperson of said Board

ATTEST: _____
Clerk of said Board

Approved as to form:


County Counsel

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ
AND THE CITY OF SANTA CRUZ

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FOR COORDINATION AND COOPERATION IN THE PREPARATION OF THE UPPER
SAN LORENZO RIVER WATERSHED ENHANCEMENT PLAN AND THE SAN LORENZO
RIVER LAGOON MANAGEMENT PLAN

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING hereinafter called "MOU", is entered into on _____ by and between the City of Santa Cruz, hereinafter called (the "Agency") and the County of Santa Cruz, hereinafter called (the "County").

WHEREAS, the California Coastal Conservancy (Conservancy) has provided grant funding to assist the County of Santa Cruz to prepare the Upper San Lorenzo River Watershed Enhancement Plan to address salmon fisheries issues north of the Highway One Bridge; and

WHEREAS, the California Coastal Conservancy (Conservancy) has provided grant funding to assist the City of Santa Cruz to prepare the San Lorenzo River Lagoon Management Plan to address salmon fisheries issues south of the Highway One Bridge and associated salmon fisheries issues in the Branciforte Creek Flood Control channel; and

WHEREAS, both the City and County planning efforts funded by the Conservancy will encompass the entire length of the San Lorenzo River; and

WHEREAS, as a condition of said grants the Conservancy has required that both the City and County enter into an MOU to facilitate cooperation and coordination of their San Lorenzo River planning efforts to insure complementary study recommendations and implementation projects; and

WHEREAS, the parties wish to cooperate in the preparation, review and implementation of their respective grants and have therefore prepared said MOU to spell out the organization, conditions, and timeframe of said cooperation.

NOW, THEREFORE, County and City agree as follows:

Cooperative Organization: Each agency shall form a technical advisory panel to assist in the preparation and implementation of their enhancement plans. Both technical advisory panels shall have representatives of County of Santa Cruz, City of Santa Cruz, and Santa Cruz County Resources Conservation District, the California Department of Fish and Game, and U. S Department of Commerce's National Marine Fisheries Service. Representative from other governmental, environmental, community, and recreational organizations may be invited to participate by either panel.

Role of Cooperative Organization: The technical advisory panels shall serve the following role in relation to the preparation of the Upper San Lorenzo River Watershed Enhancement Plan and the San Lorenzo River Lagoon Management Plan:

1. Meet on an as needed basis to provide comment and input into study documents and data collected for the respective plans.
2. Seek assistance from appropriate resources personnel in their respective agencies to assist in developing implementation techniques or other aspects of plan preparation.

3. Assist in developing recommendations, funding sources and implementation projects.

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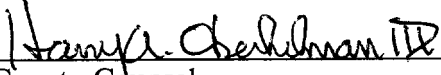
The technical advisory panel shall be consulted either individually or in-group meetings as needed during the course of the grants

City/County Cooperation: The City and County of Santa Cruz agree to share information from their respective grants including requests for proposals, scope of works, resource documents, and other technical information to insure the preparation of complementary recommendations and implementation projects. Each Agency shall insure that the technical consultants preparing their enhancement plans share data and other technical information.

City/County Study Managers: The City and County of Santa Cruz agree to designate study managers consistent with the Conservancy grant. Said managers shall communicate throughout the course of their respective grants to insure the proper utilization of the advisory panels and other resources. Coordination reports shall be included with each quarterly billing request forwarded to the Coastal Conservancy.

Timeframe of Agreement: The term of this MOU shall run simultaneously with the timeframe of the Conservancy Grants and their subsequent implementation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this MOU the day first hereinabove written.



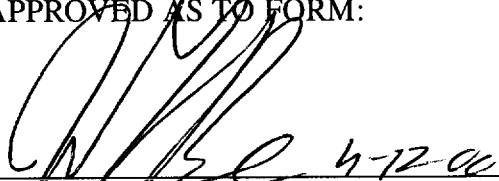
County Counsel

COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

By: _____

Its: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Office of the City Attorney

CITY OF SANTA CRUZ,
a body politic

By: 

City Manager