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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Don Ridenhour - Director
Roads Department
REPORT BY: Rick Marshall, Deputy Director of Public Works - Engr - (707) 259-8381
SUBJECT: Space License Agreement for Wildlife Rescue Center of Napa County

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Public Works requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign a Space License Agreement with the Wildlife Rescue Center of Napa County, at no cost for the term December 14, 2010 through June 30, 2011, with an automatic renewal and a ninety day cancellation clause, for the use of a portion of the Yountville Corporation Yard to operate a clinic for ill, injured or orphaned songbirds.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Wildlife Rescue Center of Napa County has requested to use a portion of the Yountville Corporation Yard to operate a clinic for ill, injured or orphaned songbirds. The consideration for this Space License Agreement is the benefit these services will provide for the protection of the bird population.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The Wildlife Rescue Center of Napa County was established in 1991 to rehabilitate ill, injured or orphaned Napa County wildlife and promote public awareness through community outreach. The organization has been providing these services in various locations but has reached the point where it needs a new home. They are working on developing a permanent home in the American Canyon area, and have initiated a capital campaign toward attaining this goal. The organization has requested to use a portion of the Yountville Corporation Yard, known as the Pipe Yard, for its songbird operations for an approximately five-year period until their permanent facility will be available. The space is known as the Pipe Yard because it is used for storage of culvert pipe and other bulky materials. These materials can be slightly rearranged on the site to make space available to this beneficial use in the community interest.

The songbird clinic would utilize a total of seven small structures, two of which are existing on the site -- the others will be brought in by the organization. Activities to be conducted include an intensive care nursery, aviaries, cleaning and office facilities. The operation will be conducted by trained volunteers associated with the organization.

The Space License Agreement establishes the terms of use of the property and the responsibilities associated with this use of the site. Staff have been working closely with representatives of the organization to determine the acceptable terms of the agreement, and recommends approval.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi