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## NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Steven Lederer - Director of Public Works  
Public Works

**REPORT BY:** Michael Gordon, Watershed and Flood Control Resources Specialist - 7072598684

**SUBJECT:** Acceptance of Grant from the California Coastal Conservancy for the Napa River Oakville to Oak Knoll Reach Restoration Project, Group D

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Director of Public Works requests adoption of a resolution approving a grant revenue agreement with the California Coastal Conservancy and authorizing the Director of Public Works to sign the agreement for a maximum of \$1,700,000 to reimburse costs incurred to construct restoration sites within Group D of the Napa River Oakville to Oak Knoll Restoration Project and support biological monitoring activities.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The County has been awarded a \$1,700,000 grant from the California Coastal Conservancy to fund construction of Group D of the Napa River Oakville to Oak Knoll (OVOK) Restoration Project and to fund biological monitoring along the Napa River.

### **FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Public Works Fund 1000 Subdivision 1220500 Program 07002
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	Acceptance of these grant funds is consistent with direction from the Board to supplement the County's share of Measure "A" tax revenues

	to accomplish projects of this type.
Is the general fund affected?	No
Future fiscal impact:	The grant funds and local matching funds will be spent over multiple fiscal years beginning spring 2020 and extending for 3 years following execution of the grant agreement.
Consequences if not approved:	Sufficient funding would not be available to complete construction of this portion of the project.
County Strategic Plan pillar addressed:	Vibrant and Sustainable Environment
Additional Information:	

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The OVOK Project is the subject of a Mitigated Negative Declaration (SCH No. 2014012057), which was adopted by the Napa County Public Works Director on April 11, 2014. According to the Mitigated Negative Declaration, the proposed project would have, if mitigation measures are not included, potentially significant environmental impacts in the following areas: Aesthetics, Biological Resources, Transportation/Traffic, Cultural Resources, and Air Quality. This project site is not on any of the lists of hazardous waste sites enumerated under Government code section 65962.5.

### **BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

In 2007, the California Land Stewardship Institute (CLSI) received funding from the California State Water Resources Control Board and Napa County (Measure A) to prepare an enhancement plan for 9.5 miles of the Napa River between the Oakville Crossroad bridge and the Oak Knoll Avenue bridge (OVOK). The efforts of CLSI, the Napa County Resource Conservation District (RCD) and Phillip Williams and Associates (now known as ESA PWA) are summarized in the *Napa River Restoration: Oakville to Oak Knoll Project Final Concept Plan* (Concept Plan), which was published in April 2011.

The OVOK Project is essentially the downstream continuation of restoration of the Napa River Rutherford reach which was completed in 2015. The 9.5 mile OVOK project reach has been divided into four construction groups (A-D), encompassing twenty-three (23) distinct sites. The County has completed the environmental review of the OVOK Project as required by CEQA, and the Mitigated Negative Declaration (SCH No. 2014012057) was adopted by the Napa County Public Works Director on April 11, 2014. During the development of the OVOK CEQA document the restoration sites were organized into Construction Groups A-D.

Construction of Group A (Sites 21-23) began in 2015, and construction and re-vegetation of Group A was completed in 2017. Group C (sites 12 -14) was constructed over three seasons from 2016 to 2018. Group B (sites 15, 17-20) was constructed and revegetated in 2019. Group D (sites 1, 1A/Neverbend, 2A, 2B, 3, 4, 4A, 4B, 7, 9 and 10) is scheduled to be constructed over two seasons in the summer of 2020 and summer of 2021. Revegetation of all Group D sites is scheduled to be implemented in 2021.

Staff is requesting approval to accept a \$1,700,000 grant from the California Coastal Conservancy to support construction of Group D and to fund biological monitoring along the Napa River. The engineer's estimate for construction of all restoration sites within Group D is \$9,300,000. The County has received a grant from the California Wildlife Conservation Board, which includes \$1,250,000 for construction of Group D and has also received a \$740,000 grant from the Environmental Protection Agency's San Francisco Bay Water Quality

Improvement Fund for construction of sites within Group D. \$2,300,000 from the County's share of Measure "A" tax revenues is also available. Additional grant funding is being sought to fully fund Group D construction.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

A . Resolution to Accept Coastal Conservancy Funding for OVOK Group D

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Leigh Sharp