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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Robert Peterson - Director

Public Works

REPORT BY: Gladys Coil, Staff Services Analyst, 259-8603

SUBJECT: Authorization for Chair to sign Trust for Public Land Feasibility Study Letter

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Public Works requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign a letter requesting technical support from The Trust for Public Land to conduct a feasibility study for the purpose of developing a program to finance land conservation and a potential related ballot measure funded by a foundation grant as recommended by the Napa County Parks and Open Space Advisory Committee.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? No

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: General Rule. It can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility the proposed action may have a significant effect on the environment and therefore CEQA is not applicable [See Guidelines For the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act, 14 CCR 15061(b)(3)].

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A . Letter to Land Trust authorizing Feasibility Study

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Britt Ferguson