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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

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SUBJECT: Future Agenda Item Direction on Hearing with Bureau of Reclamation on Lake Berryessa
Concession contracts

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Housing and Intergovernmental Affairs requests direction on a future hearing regarding Lake Berryessa and the Bureau of Reclamation's concessionaire program

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At the Board of Supervisors hearing on March 1, 2016, Supervisors Pedroza, Dillon and Caldwell requested that a future agenda item be calendared to discuss the Bureau of Reclamation's (BOR) attempt to lease the recreational uses at Lake Berryessa to a private concessionaire. Staff is seeking direction from the Board as to the focus for this hearing.

PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

Discussion and direction to staff

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

At the March 1, 2016 meeting, Supervisors Pedroza, Dillon and Caldwell requested that a future hearing be scheduled to consider issues related to the BOR's recent prospectus regarding the concessionaire contracts at Lake Berryessa. Consistent with Board of Supervisors policy, staff is requesting the following

1. Agreement from the majority of Board members that such a hearing be scheduled
2. Direction to staff on what the board would like to see covered in the hearing.

The Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) recently completed a nearly two year process to help identify a concessionaire to run the recreational portions of Lake Berryessa. In a recent press release the BOR informed the public that they had failed to identify a concessionaire with whom they could enter into negotiations. If the Board wishes to proceed with a hearing staff suggests inviting the Bureau of Reclamation to a future hearing and covering the following topics:

1. Review of concession process that was recently concluded
2. Proposed next steps for identifying a concessionaire
3. County's role in the process
4. Legislation proposed by Congressman Thompson proposing transfer of jurisdiction over the lake from BOR to BLM

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Molly Rattigan