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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:** Richard Thomasser, Watershed and Flood Control Operations Manager - (707)259-8657

**SUBJECT:** Acceptance of Grants and Budget Transfer for the Napa River Oakville to Oak Knoll Restoration Project

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Director of Public Works requests the following actions related to implementation of the Napa River Oakville to Oak Knoll (OVOK) Restoration Project Group D:

1. Adoption of resolutions accepting the following two grants and authorizing the Director of Public Works to sign the grant agreements:
  - a. \$2,235,000 from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife;
  - b. \$800,000 from the State Water Resources Control Board.
2. Approval of Budget Transfer No. DPW042 increasing appropriations by \$6,709,815 in the Public Works Capital Improvement Program budget (Fund 1000, Sub-Division 1220500, Program Number 07002) with offsetting revenues of \$6,363,860 associated with various grant proceeds that will be used for construction of OVOK Group D. (4/5 vote required)

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The County has been awarded new grants from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and the State Water Resources Control Board. These grants along with other previously accepted grants and County Measure A funding will fund the completion of the Napa River Oakville to Oak Knoll (OVOK) Reach Restoration Project.

At this time, staff is recommending approval of resolutions to accept the two new grants and a budget adjustment to increase appropriations to fund the construction of OVOK Group D in the summer of 2020 and 2021.

**FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	No
What is the revenue source?	Proceeds from the two new grants being accepted via resolution today total \$3,035,000. The Board has previously approved grants from the Caltrans, the State Coastal Conservancy, The US Environmental Protection Agency, the Wildlife Conservation Board. County Measure A matching funds have already been approved by the Board as part of Amendment No. 27 of the funding agreement with the Flood Authority. In the budget transfer portion of this agenda item, the FY 19-20 revenue budget for this project is being increased to a total \$13,946,159, which represents an increase of \$6,363,860 to the approved revenue budget of \$7,582,300. The \$18,760 decrease in Measure A revenue updates the preliminary project budget done earlier in the planning process.
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. Implementation of the project will be completed in 2022.
Consequences if not approved:	Sufficient funding would not be available to complete construction of the Oakville to Oak Knoll 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 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 the downstream continuation of restoration of the Napa River Rutherford reach which was completed in 2015. The 9.5 mile 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 reorganized into Construction Groups A-D.

The subject of this agenda item is funding for implementation of OVOK Group D, which is the final construction group. Construction of Group A began in 2015 and re-vegetation of Group A was completed in 2017. Group C construction began in 2016 and re-vegetation was completed in 2018. Group B was constructed and revegetation was completed in 2019. Grant funds from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, the State Water Resources Control Board, the California Coastal Conservancy, Environmental Protection Agency, and California Wildlife Conservation Board will be matched with Measure A to support implementation of Group D. Measure A matching funds for this project have already been approved by the Board as part of Amendment No. 27 of the funding agreement with the Flood Authority.

Staff is requesting approval of resolutions accepting the two most recently awarded grants from the Department of Fish and Wildlife and the State Water Resources Control Board and authorizing the Director of Public Works to sign the grant agreements. A budget transfer has been prepared to increase project budget revenue to account for these and other previously approved grants and increase appropriations to fund implementation of Group D. The project construction is currently being advertised and bids will be opened later in May 2020.

#### **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

- A . Resolution CDFW Grant
- B . Resolution SWRCB Grant

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Susan Kuss