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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:** Jeremy Sarrow, Watershed/Flood Control Specialist - 259-8204

**SUBJECT:** Napa River Rutherford Reach Restoration Project Reaches 5, 6, 7 & 9 (Phases 5 & 6) Re-vegetation Contract- Approval of Plans and Specifications and Authorization to Advertise

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Director of Public Works requests approval of plans and specifications for the "Napa River Rutherford Reach Restoration - Reaches 5, 6, 7 and 9 (Phase 5 and 6) Revegetation Project", PW 14-34, authorization to advertise for sealed bids and opening of the bids at a time, date, and location to be published by the Director of Public Works pursuant to Section 20150.8 of the Public Contract Code.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The construction for Reaches 5, 6, 7 and 9, Phase 5 and 6, of the Napa River Rutherford Reach Restoration Project is now underway. Revegetation of this area according to design specifications must follow grading and other activities to ensure successful recolonization of native habitat. The revegetation scope of the Project can now be bid. The work sites are located along an approximately 1.6 mile reach of the Napa River beginning 0.3 miles south of the Rutherford Road (State Highway 128) crossing.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Public Works Projects - Fund 1000, Subdivision 1220500, Program 13028
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary

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Discretionary Justification:	Design has been completed and plans must now be put out to bid to be able to complete revegetation of constructed areas.
Is the general fund affected?	No
Future fiscal impact:	The revegetation work includes three years of plant establishment that will be funded by Measure "A" and extend beyond FY 2014-2015. Following this three year period, maintenance is being funded by an assessment district that was created by the Flood Control District. Future construction phases for other reaches of the project will require additional grants and also additional Measure "A" fund allocations.
Consequences if not approved:	Potential loss of grant monies, landowner involvement, and continued degradation of the Napa River can occur.
Additional Information:	

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** Mitigated Negative Declaration Prepared. 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, Cultural/Palaeontological Resources, Air Quality. This project site is not on any of the lists of hazardous waste sites enumerated under Government code section 65962.5 Project permit obtained from United States Army Corps of Engineers will include additional environmental evaluations to comply with NEPA as may be needed if Federal grant funds are used to fund future construction efforts.

### **BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

#### **Reach 5, 6, 7 and 9 Construction**

To coincide with multiple funding opportunities, construction for this project has been implemented in multiple phases along 9 distinct reaches of the Napa River. A separate construction contract for Reaches 5, 6, 7 and 9 was awarded on June 17th, 2014 to Hanford ARC. Construction of Reaches 5, 6, 7 and 9 is now taking place and will continue through the summer/fall of 2014. Construction will begin 0.3 miles downstream of Rutherford Cross Road along the east side of the Napa River at Round Pond Vineyards and will continue south to Oakville Crossroad on the Swanson and Opus One Vineyard properties. Work will also take place along the banks of the river on the St. Supery, Foley Johnson, Laird and United properties. Construction on these reaches will vary involving creation of bank stabilization and setback areas as well as the installation of instream habitat structures and a large alcove feature.

#### **Reach 5, 6, 7 and 9 Revegetation Work-Subject of this item**

Staff is recommending approval of plans and specifications, authorization to advertise for bids and authorization for the Director of Public Works to set a bid opening date for the revegetation contract for Reaches 5, 6, 7 and 9. Once construction of Reaches 5, 6, 7 and 9 is complete, revegetation of all disturbed areas will be performed this fall/winter. Invasive plant species that have been removed will be replaced with native vegetation that has been propagated from the Napa River Watershed. These new plantings will be monitored and maintained over a 3-year period to assure that they become properly established.

#### **Local Vendor Outreach**

Staff will reach out to the local construction contractor community by advertising the request for bids in the Napa Valley Register, the Solano-Napa Builder's Exchange and by posting on the County website. Staff will also send "Notices to Contractors" to local contractors to let them know about the bidding opportunities. Once bids are opened and a construction contract is awarded, the County will contact the Napa County Workforce Investment Board (WIB) and will require the successful contractor to contact the WIB to let the WIB know of its hiring needs.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Molly Rattigan