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# Napa-Vallejo Waste Management Authority Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Directors

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Napa-Vallejo Waste Management Authority

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**SUBJECT:** Landfill Loop Trail

#### RECOMMENDATION

## LANDFILL LOOP TRAIL

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Approval and authorization for the Chair to sign the following with the City of American Canyon related to the Landfill Loop Trail:

- 1. Authority Agreement #10-04 establishing a Public Access Trail Corridor by providing for a lot line adjustment and public access easement at, and adjacent to, American Canyon Sanitary Landfill.
- 2. Authority Agreement #10-05, a Right of Entry and Construction Agreement.

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of Agreement #10-04 is to set forth the understanding of terms reached between the City of American Canyon (City) and the Napa-Vallejo Waste Management Authority (NVWMA), a California Joint Powers Agency, regarding the development, operation and maintenance of a public access trail on lands owned by the Authority, the City and other jurisdictions, and to execute a lot line adjustment to ensure Authority assets and City assets are on their respective properties.

The City is developing a trail system, in partnership with various regional agencies, which provides access to the wetlands and the Napa River at its western edge. The trail extends from its southern border at the City of Vallejo north to Green Island Road.

The NVWMA landfill service road, which is currently not publicly accessible, presents an opportunity to create an easily accessible loop trail extension to the trail system. This road provides access to the Napa River and is wide enough to construct public safety improvements and other public access amenities. Both the City and the Authority

recognize the importance of publicly accessible multi-use recreational opportunities near the Napa River and the American Canyon Wetlands and the value of integrating the loop road into the trail system.

The Authority is also mindful of its mandate to ensure continued safe and uninterrupted access to this service road for purposes of maintaining and managing the landfill.

By the terms of the Agreement, both parties seek to provide a public access multi-use trail on this road in a manner that maintains unimpeded access for landfill operations while providing access to the Napa River and associated wetlands to the general public.

Also during the development of American Canyon Sanitary Landfill, various landfill related facilities were inadvertently constructed outside the landfill property and on property now owned by the City of American Canyon. This agreement adjusts the property lines so that landfill facilities will be located on landfill property.

Approval of Agreement #10-05 will allow for a right of entry for construction, repairs and maintenance on the Trail Corridor.

## FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?

No

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

Categorical Exemption Class 5: It has been determined that this type of project does not have a significant effect on the environment and is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. The project will not impact an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern, has no cumulative impact, there is no reasonable possibility that the activity may have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances, will not result in damage to scenic resources, is not located on a list of hazardous waste sites, cause substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource or extract groundwater in excess of the Phase 1 groundwater extraction standards as set by the Department of Public Works. [See Class 5 ("Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations") which may be found in the guidelines for the implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act at 14 CCR §15305; see also Napa County's Local Procedures for Implementing the California Environmental Quality Act, Appendix B.]

#### BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

In addition to the information supplied in the Executive Summary section of this report, the documents listed in this Background section are provided as attachments for reference.

The City of American Canyon staff report and Resolution is scheduled for discussion on the Council's November 3rd Agenda.

The Agreement between the City of American Canyon and the Napa County Regional Parks and Open Space District is scheduled to for discussion on the District's November 9 meeting.

# **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

- A . American Canyon Council Staff Report
- B . Public Trail Corridor Access Agreement
- C . Lot Line Permit Application
- D . Dedication & Grant of Easement for Public Use and Trail
- E . Dedication & Grant of Easement for Access, Operations & Maintenance
- F . Right of Entry Agreement
- G . Operations & Management Plan
- H. Trail Corridor Agreement with Napa Country Regional Park and Open Space District

Manager: Approve

Reviewed By: Martha Burdick