

## **AGENDA**

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MONO STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Regular Meetings: The First, Second, and Third Tuesday of each month. Location of meeting is specified just below.

MEETING LOCATION Board Chambers, 2nd Fl., County Courthouse, 278 Main St., Bridgeport, CA 93517

## Regular Meeting September 8, 2015

**TELECONFERENCE LOCATIONS:** 1) First and Second Meetings of Each Month: Mammoth Lakes CAO Conference Room, 3rd Floor Sierra Center Mall, 452 Old Mammoth Road, Mammoth Lakes, California, 93546; 2) Third Meeting of Each Month: Mono County Courthouse, 278 Main, 2nd Floor Board Chambers, Bridgeport, CA 93517. Board Members may participate from a teleconference location. Note: Members of the public may attend the open-session portion of the meeting from a teleconference location, and may address the board during any one of the opportunities provided on the agenda under Opportunity for the Public to Address the Board.

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9:00 AM Call meeting to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

on items of public interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. (Speakers may be limited in speaking time dependent upon the press of business and number of persons wishing to address the Board.)

## 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

## A. Board Minutes

Approve minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 18, 2015.

## B. Board Minutes

Approve minutes of the Special Meeting held on September 1, 2015.

## RECOGNITIONS - NONE

## 4. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

The Board may, if time permits, take Board Reports at any time during the meeting and not at a specific time.

## 5. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments Receive brief oral report by County Administrative Officer (CAO) regarding work activities.

## 6. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS

## 7. CONSENT AGENDA

(All matters on the consent agenda are to be approved on one motion unless a board member requests separate action on a specific item.)

## A. Hiring Freeze Variance - Maintenance Worker II Vacancy in Road Area I

Departments: Public Works - Road

A vacancy exists in Road for a Maintenance Worker II out of Road Area 5 in Walker.

**Recommended Action:** Authorize Public Works, in consultation with Human Resources, to recruit in-county to fill an existing Maintenance Worker II vacancy in Road Area 5 (Walker). If no requests are received in-county then advertise out-of-county to fill same vacancy. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**Fiscal Impact:** Maintenance Worker II - The total cost (salary and benefits) for remainder (9 months) of fiscal year 15/16 is \$41,794 and a full fiscal year is \$55,726 of which \$36,456 is salary. This has been budgeted and approved in the FY 15/16 Road Fund budget.

## B. Hiring Freeze Variance - Maintenance Worker II-III Vacancy in Road Area 5

Departments: Public Works - Road

A Maintenance Worker II-III vacancy exists in Road Area 1 (Crowley). Filling this position is necessary to maintain appropriate levels of service in this Road Area.

**Recommended Action:** Authorize Public Works Director, in consultation with Human Resources, to recruit in-county to fill an existing Maintenance Worker II-III vacancy in Road Area I (Crowley). If no requests are received in-county then advertise out-of-county to fill same vacancy. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**Fiscal Impact:** The funding source for this position is full-time out of the Road Fund.

Maintenance Worker II - The total cost (salary and benefits) for remainder (9 months) of fiscal year 15/16 is \$41,794 and a full fiscal year is \$55,726 of which \$36,456 is salary.

Maintenance Worker III - The total cost for remainder of fiscal year 14/15 is \$43,181 and a full fiscal year is \$57,574 of which \$38,304 is salary.

## C. Out of State Travel Request for Behavioral Health Employee to Attend Conference

Departments: Behavioral Health

Mono County Behavioral Health has a variety of mandates required through Health Care Reform; one is to continue to increase the capacity of our Electronic Health Record system (EHR). This also includes our ability to use the required ICD-10 billing codes by October 1, 2015. Ms. Martin is the lead in our implementation of the new Echo Group EHR (occurring October 13-16, 2015). Additionally, as our Fiscal Administrator, she will be involved in changing our billing system to the ICD-10 coding system.

**Recommended Action:** Approve out of state travel for Mono County Behavioral Health employee, Shirley Martin, to attend the Echo Group, Peer to Peer v. 12.1 Conference, in Portland, Maine, September 27-30, 2015.

**Fiscal Impact:** There is no fiscal impact to the Mono County General Fund. Echo Group has given us a onetime 50% discount on the registration fee. Mental Health Services Act funding will be used for the following: Event registration @ 50% \$325.00; Hotel costs \$408.24; Airfare (current number) \$406.; Per Diem and parking \$170. Total: \$1,305.

## 8. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED (INFORMATIONAL)

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## A. Letter from Camp Azusa Senior Citizens Association

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Letter of appreciation to the Board of Supervisors and Mono County for the use of

Mono Lake County Park during the Walker Fire from Camp Azusa Senior Citizens Association.

## B. Wildlife Conservation Board Meeting Notice

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Receipt of Wildlife Conservation Board's upcoming agenda for the September 3, 2015 meeting. This correspondence details the agenda items and highlights item #29, the only item relating to Mono County. This item is regarding a project associated with Summers Meadow. The back up to this agenda item has also been included. The entire agenda including back up for ALL items (not associated with Mono County) are available to view in the clerk's office.

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## 9. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING

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## 10. CLOSED SESSION

## A. Closed Session--Human Resources

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Marshall Rudolph, John Vallejo, Leslie Chapman, and Lynda Salcido. Employee Organization(s): Mono County Sheriff's Officers Association (aka Deputy Sheriff's Association), Local 39--majority representative of Mono County Public Employees (MCPE) and Deputy Probation Officers Unit (DPOU), Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association (PARA), Mono County Public Safety Officers Association (PSO), and Mono County Sheriff Department's Management Association (SO Mgmt). Unrepresented employees: All.

## B. Closed Session - Conference With Legal Counsel

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION. Subdivision (a) of Government Code section 54956.9. Name of case: Worker's compensation claim of Erin Larrison.

## 11. REGULAR AGENDA RECONVENES AFTER CLOSED SESSION

## A. Resolution Approving Industrial Disability Retirement for Erin Larrison

Departments: Risk Management

10 minutes (5 minute presentation; 5 minute discussion)

(Sarah Messerlian) - Proposed Resolution determining that Erin Larrison is eligible for Industrial Disability Retirement.

**Recommended Action:** Review and adopt Resolution determining that Erin Larrison is eligible for Industrial Disability Retirement.

**Fiscal Impact**: The County will process advance disability pension payments from the Risk Management fund in the amount of \$2,573.85 per month until the determination is final with CalPERS, at which time said expenditures would be reimbursed to the County.

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## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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MEETING DATE	September 8, 2015	
TIME REQUIRED		PERSONS
SUBJECT	Board Minutes	APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD
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(A	A brief general description of	of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)
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# DRAFT MEETING MINUTES BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MONO STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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## Regular Meeting August 18, 2015

Flash Drive	portable
Minute Orders	M15-177 to M15-180
Resolutions	R15-59 to R15-60
Ordinance	ORD15-07 not used

## 9:00 AM Meeting to Order by Chairman Fesko.

Supervisors present: Alpers, Corless, Fesko, Johnston and Stump.

Supervisors absent: None.

Break: 10:31 a.m. Reconvene: 10:44 a.m. Lunch: 11:48 a.m. Reconvene: 12:33 p.m. Break: 1:47 p.m. Reconvene: 2:00 p.m. Break: 3:37 p.m. Reconvene: 3:47 p.m. Adjourn:4:48 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Corless.

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1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD Rick Phelps:

Note

- He is from the High Sierra Energy Foundation; also with him is Pam Boal.
  He wants to focus on numbers, as is the Board's topic today. The High
  Sierra Energy Foundation has been in operation as a non-profit for over ten
  years. Next number is \$160,100, the approximate savings from the recent
  direct install program in government facilities and businesses. This is the
  estimated savings over the next 5 years.
- Another program is the Energy Upgrade California, and they distribute information about the PACE program to Mono Co residents.

#### Supervisor Stump:

• He assumes the Foundation is aware of the County's PACE program?

#### **Deb Schweizer:**

- She is the Public Affairs Officer for the Inyo National Forest. She wanted to give an update on the Walker Fire. As of this morning, it is 20% contained at 3,613 acres. They are seeing a downhill easterly push, which is unusual. The firefighters are putting in some really hard work. Good news, they received a lot of resources yesterday.
- She is very grateful for social media, as it is a great way to get information out. The origin of the fire is still under investigation.

## **Supervisor Alpers:**

- Congratulations to all involved for the quick response. Just watching the fire, wanted to compliment the fire fighters in and around the June Lake community. The communities have been very lucky so far.
- Senator Feinstein's office sent a text for anyone who needs help on the Walker Fire to contact her office.

#### **Supervisor Corless:**

Acknowledged that the use of social media is important in disasters.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

## A. Board Minutes

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Approve minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 4, 2015, as corrected.

## M15-177

Johnston moved, Alpers seconded.

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no. Supervisor Johnston:

- On page 5 under Scott Burns, it should say "general plan", not "general transportation plan".
- On page 7 under Supervisor Alpers, change "will to host" to "willing to host".
- On page 8 under his second bullet point, change "overhead lines done fit" to "overhead lines don't fit".

## B. <u>Board Minutes</u>

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Approve minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 11, 2015, as corrected.

#### M15-178

Stump moved, Corless seconded.

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no.

## Supervisor Stump:

- On page 11 under his bullet point, replace "tourism" with "jurisdictions".
- On page 12 under his comment, insert "Lower Rock Creek" before the word trail.
- RECOGNITIONS NONE
- 4. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

The Board did not hear Member reports.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments The CAO had nothing to report at this time.

- 6. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS
  No one spoke.
- CONSENT AGENDA

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A. MOU with American Red Cross Los Angeles Region

Departments: Social Services

Proposed MOU to document the cooperative relationship between the American Red Cross Los Angeles Region and Mono County in providing emergency preparedness and disaster services.

**Action:** Approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the American Red Cross Los Angeles Region and Mono County for cooperation in providing emergency preparedness and disaster services.

## M15-179

Corless moved, Stump seconded.

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

B. Hiring Freeze Variance; DSS Social Worker

Departments: Social Services

A Social Worker III position within the Child and Adult Welfare Division of Social Services was vacated by the incumbent in June 2015. Social Workers respond to and investigate reports of child and elder adult abuse, neglect, and exploitation, provide case management and arrange for services, assess needs of adults and children for in-home care, conduct court investigations, and provide conservatorship services for adults and families. Leaving this vacant position unfilled poses safety concerns. This position is included in the current BOS-approved Allocation List.

**Action:** Approve hiring freeze variance and authorize the Director of

Social Services to fill one Social Worker I/II/III vacancy within the Child and Adult Services Division of Social Services.

## M15-180

Corless moved, Stump seconded.

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

C. Pumice Valley Landfill Purchase Agreement Revision

Departments: Solid Waste Division of Public Works

Resolution #R15-59, Acknowledging and Approving Minor Typographical Corrections and Changes to Agreement of Purchase and Sale of Real Property for the Pumice Valley Landfill Site, Previously Approved by Resolution 15-01.

**Action:** Approving Minor Typographical Corrections and Changes to Agreement of Purchase and Sale of Real Property for the Pumice Valley Landfill Site, Previously Approved by Resolution 15-01.

## R15-59

Corless moved, Stump seconded.

Vote: 5 yes; 0 no

## 8. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED (INFORMATIONAL)

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#### A. Wildlife Conservation Board

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Correspondence dated August 3, 2015 from the Wildlife Conservation Board regarding Summers Meadow, Mono County (Project ID: 2014087) and the consideration of the acquisition of land for the preservation and enhancement of high desert wildlife habitat.

B. Los Angeles Times Article on State Road Funds

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Correspondence forwarded by Supervisor Johnston regarding an article in the LA Times on Road Funding Shortfalls at the State level.

C. BLM Regarding Proposed Sagebrush Habit Restoration

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Correspondence dated July 31, 2015 from the Bureau of Land Management regarding site specific planning that is occurring for two proposed sagebrush habitat restoration treatments in the Bodie Hills near Bridgeport, CA.

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#### REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING

A. Discussion Regarding California Public Utilities Commission Departments: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

(Cody Naylor) - Cody Naylor from the California Public Utilities Commission will introduce himself to the Board of Supervisors, describe the work of the CPUC, and answer questions from the Supervisors about how the CPUC can be helpful to Mono County.

**Action:** None. Cody Naylor:

- The CPUC is a State regulatory agency. Priorities of the commission are safety, reliability, and affordability. The CPUC is best known as a regulator of electric utilities, but also oversees other companies such as water companies, the railroads, and shuttle and bus companies. He is available to keep us informed.
- Credits the county's effort to reach out to CPUC regarding the importance of redundancy. He offers to be a resource for scams or fraud, and help connect residents to assistance programs. Some income based programs for electricity or telephone include the CARE program, California Lifeline (phone), and programs to assist people with disabilities as well.
- Thanks the supervisors for comments, and agrees that good, reliable connections are critical. It is a challenge to get some big telecommunications companies to make investments out here.

## Supervisor Fesko:

 There is no direct connection from North County to South County. He would like a redundancy plan in place for the 911 system to improve public safety. Would like to see Frontier take advantage of fiber currently in the area, and wants current projects such as "last mile provider" completed.

#### **Supervisor Stump:**

• Thanked Cody for coming. He feels it is a big improvement to have an assigned representative to the County. There is a tremendous disempowerment among his constituents. Commissioner Sandoval has really stepped up for Mono County, so thank you to her. Race Communications has grant applications, and they need to be supported. Large sections of his district are without cell service or only have one provider. His district has lots of agriculture and we are in a dry period. Farmers have already connected a pivot device to a cell service in case of problems to save water, but this is reliant on a good cell connection.

#### **Supervisor Alpers:**

 Aquaculture is very important to our county. The County is considering an aquaculture operation on county property in the Mono Basin. It is very important to monitor operations on computers, so connections are critical.

## B. Budget Hearings

Departments: Finance/CAO

PUBLIC HEARING: 9:30 A.M. / 4 Hours (30 minute presentation; 3.5

hour discussion)

(Leslie Chapman) - Public hearing followed by proposed resolution R15-60, A Resolution of the Mono County Board of Supervisors Adopting the Final Mono County Budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016. To view the budget document, please visit the following link: <a href="http://monocounty.ca.gov/auditor/page/2015-16-proposed-budget">http://monocounty.ca.gov/auditor/page/2015-16-proposed-budget</a>

## **BOARD INTENDS TO HEAR POLICY ITEMS AT 2:00 P.M.**

**Action:** Adopt proposed resolution R15- 60, A Resolution of the Mono County Board of Supervisors Adopting the Final Mono County Budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016. Provide any desired direction to staff. **R15-60** 

#### Supervisor Fesko:

• There will be no closed session items today. Policy items to be heard at 2:00 p.m. Opened public hearing on budget items.

## Leslie Chapman: POWER POINT

- Town Hall Recap
- How we covered the \$1.8m gap
- CAO recommended County Budget: Balanced, no new debt, maintains current services
- Overview of 2015-2016 total budget
- Overview of the Non-general fund
- Chart of Non-general fund expenditures
- Overview of the general fund
- Chart of general fund expenditures
- Certified fund balance for the 2015-2016 FY Budget: \$2,265,805
- Policy Items availability
- Community Feedback and Recommendations
- County Liabilities Unmet Needs

#### Leslie Chapman:

- The differences between the CAO recommended budget and the department requested budget are all policy items.
- At last session when the strategic plan came forward, we weren't far enough along to agree on one year goals. Asked Board and departments for lists of goals, then outlined department goals that also fit in with Supervisors' goals.
- In CAO budget, there is \$365k for contingency, or 1% of general fund budget, as recommended by County policy. We are roughly \$200k short of policy minimum due to expenses from the Round Fire.
- The County has internal service funds; it is very important that state and federal monies are only used for their intended purpose and not put into the general fund.

#### **Supervisor Alpers:**

Compliments to Leslie, County Finance Director. Her presentation was well
explained, simplistic. How does all this fit in with our strategic planning
efforts? Compliments also to Robin Roberts on her department plan; all
seems to be inline with the strategic plan.

#### **Supervisor Corless:**

 Strategic planning group has been working consistently to get a final document that incorporates all Board and Department head comments and goals that is inline with budget. Next year will be done differently. Wanted to get through budget first this year.

#### Lynda Salcido:

 Each department in the County works within mandates, directives, and regulations; how do we recognize these within the strategic plan? Rather than ask department heads to envision all new things, we wanted to take time to recognize what we're already doing. By next year, that should be very well integrated into the process.

#### **Supervisor Johnston:**

 Although were pursuing a strategic plan, we are limited as to what we can do through mandates/regulations. Suggests listening to each policy item, then prioritize and decide what's important to us this year.

#### Roberta Reed:

- General update on reimbursement from insurance companies from Round Fire. Waiting on roughly \$100k; needs to have phone conversation with OES representative.
- Reimbursements are not included in the current budget.

## **Department Heads**

The following Department Heads came before the board and summarized and answered questions about their budgets. Board members provided direction as necessary:

## Ingrid Braun - Sheriff:

- Personnel department currently has 4 vacancies; requesting to fill 2 for the remaining 9 month of this fiscal year. Looking to hire laterals; cannot afford to send someone to the academy at this time. Full time hires would require future funding to continue the employment; she expects to have the funding available next year.
- Equipment needs to purchase vests for staff, and some grant money is available. Vests have an expiration date, and she wants her PSOs to have vests as well. Tactical equipment is needed, some exterior gear for vests. Body cams are already in use and fully funded. Not looking to militarize, wants to enhance safety and community involvement.
- Armory increased expenditures by \$22k to replace existing, out-of-warranty guns. The current guns are no longer supported and need to be replaced before they fail; believes this is a safety issue. Ammunition budget is reasonable; they were able to conduct all range training last year within budget.
- Search and Rescue no revenue. Almost all volunteer, works on a mutualaid agreement with surrounding areas.

#### Board:

Discussion and questions related to hiring staff, the purchase of vests and tactical equipment, the replacement of shotguns. Can the existing guns be salvaged/sold back? Are we replacing these prematurely? Questions regarding the hiring of staff and how shifts are covered with existing staff and OT. Is Search and Rescue revenue-generating? Grand Jury recommended a relief cook to alleviate OT for 2 existing cooks.

#### **Rob DeForrest - EMS:**

- Equipment the department needs to maintain self-contained breathing apparatus for use in hazardous situations such as carbon monoxide, overturned propane tanker, and others. Not for entry on fire scene. These have already been on the rigs and are in the job descriptions for employees to use them. Received \$100k on grant, to not use them is a waste.
- Education/training Trying to bring in training to the guys, rather than send them out. Some outside training is required.
- Department was at 90% of OT budget by mid-year last year. The \$150k budgeted for OT depends on injuries, admin leave, etc., OT also incurs when another County department asks for standby; that increases revenue, but OT has to be paid to cover.
- Community outreach community involvement has increased; more blood pressure checks, more outreach in schools.

#### • Board:

 Discussion and questions surrounding the need for the self-contained breathing apparatus, safety issues of not having them available is not a risk to be taken. Question about the current state of the department OT. Asked for comparison of last year's budget to this year's, in light of the additional money put into the program.

### • Leslie Chapman:

 Last year's budget versus this year's is about \$190k increase, but budgeted OT is \$150k less. Last year, concessions were expected but not realized.

## Tony Dublino - Public Works (Conway Ranch):

- Goal for next year, if we move forward with RFP, is we need to look at a
  comprehensive long term plan for property. Thinks an RFP in aquaculture is
  in the future. The Fisheries Commission should want to participate in
  discussions on the property. Wants to involve Mono Basin RPAC, maybe a
  subcommittee to focus on property, conservation easement was helpful to
  defining use, but won't chart the course to where we need or want to be
  years from now.
- The direction of the Ranch is a good example of why the board needs to get together and give him clear direction on what we want to do out there.
   Doesn't feel the budget hearings are the time to hash out what direction to take Conway Ranch in.

#### Supervisor Alpers:

 Compliment Tony on work done out there. Doesn't see the planning as a huge impact on the budget, save for staff time, but is an asset to the County. Sees potential revenue streams with a bit of restoration.

## • Supervisor Johnston:

 What is our overall plan for the Ranch? Higher level questions, more suitable for Economic Development and/or Planning Commission, may include development of RFP.

#### • Supervisor Fesko:

• This should be brought back at a regular meeting as a workshop in September or October.

## OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

No one spoke.

## CLOSED SESSION WAS NOT HELD

## A. Closed Session--Human Resources

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Marshall Rudolph, John Vallejo, Leslie Chapman, and Lynda Salcido. Employee Organization(s): Mono County Sheriff's Officers Association (aka Deputy Sheriff's Association), Local 39--majority representative of Mono County Public Employees (MCPE) and Deputy Probation Officers Unit (DPOU), Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association (PARA), Mono County Public Safety Officers Association (PSO), and Mono County Sheriff Department's Management Association (SO Mgmt). Unrepresented employees: All.

## REGULAR AFTERNOON SESSION COMMENCES 12:30 p.m.

#### OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

No one spoke.

## 11. REGULAR AGENDA - AFTERNOON

## A. Budget Hearings

Departments: Finance/CAO

## CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC HEARING

(Leslie Chapman) - Continuation of Public hearing followed by proposed resolution R15-60, A Resolution of the Mono County Board of Supervisors Adopting the Final Mono County Budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016. To view the budget document, please visit the following link: http://monocounty.ca.gov/auditor/page/2015-16-proposed-budget

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R15-60

Johnston moved, Alpers seconded

Vote: 4 yes; 1 no; Fesko.

## Jeff Walters - Public Works (Roads):

- Discussed organization chart handout because previous version was incorrect.
- Roughly 2 months' time for hiring, wants to come to board with hiring freeze
  variance, then work on internal recruitments. Has 4 vacancies total. These
  positions are budgeted for the full year. Asked the Board to confirm that if the
  budget is approved, he can move forward with the 2 new hires he has
  waiting.
- Vianey has information on the cemetery burial plots and can give an update when she returns.

#### Board:

- Congratulations on dealing effectively with the shortfall so we can hire roads employees. Feel we need to address setting aside monies for roads, given the State funding crisis, and avalanche safety, as we may have an El Nino winter, as per an email Supervisor Stump received (included in Additional Documents). How quickly can we get people hired and trained, ready for winter? Pull money out of contingency if it's needed, at the time?
- Discussion that hiring these employees needs to be done whether or not the El Nino winter hits. Asked County Counsel whether a hiring freeze variance could be granted today. Directed Public Works to begin the 10day internal recruitment process. Confirmed that Public Works is authorized to hire the 2 people waiting, fly in-house for the other 2 positions, and come back to the Board in September with the hiring

variance.

#### Marshall Rudolph:

 Public Works can go ahead with hiring, start the process, then go to Board for direction in middle of process. It is the action of hiring that requires the variance from the Board.

## Joe Blanchard - Public Works (Facilities):

- Parks We do projects out of a CIP fund. Both Benton and Chalfant parks need extra help. Previously, we attacked a weed problem which exceeded whole fund. Before, we did half the basketball court, with the intention of doing all of it this year.
- Campgrounds We are below average on fees, but our campgrounds are basic, while others may have "fluff". Discussion on how BLM fees compare to similar County campgrounds. The County has a contract with an individual to service campgrounds which increased, and our septic contract increased.
- The camping season is not over, so the numbers do not reflect total revenue for this season.

#### Board:

- The CIP fund for these parks was from a mitigation fee to White Mountain Estates #1; fees for White Mountain Estates #2 have been waived. General discussion regarding approval of having a CIP fund for parks.
- What are we charging for camping? Are we in line with other campgrounds? Question regarding whether the County should be running a campground or if we want to continue directing staff time toward this? Discussion whether camping nights have changed when fees were increased. \*Consensus to bring fee schedule back as an item for fee increase to begin next camping season.
- The campground budget says contract services have gone up. What kind of services?

#### **Animal Control:**

#### Board:

- Can the County run a no-kill shelter? Acknowledged that Animal Control
  has worked hard to bring animals from other shelters and get them
  adopted and increase revenues. Commend Animal Control for this.
- The Grand Jury analyzed AC this year and recommended that records be digitized. Looking to implement this through new finance system this year. Grand Jury was critical of Mammoth Lakes for not contributing to AC services; may be potential in the future for the Town to contract with the County for AC services.

## **Garrett Higerd – Public Works (Engineering):**

- The department has 5 employees. One is retiring at the end of year, one is
  out on maternity leave. Daily work is transitioning in the next 6 months as
  projects are completed. Then, he can re-evaluate staffing needs, depending
  on whether we see a revival in land development. Airport work is needed.
- Linked the Academy (High School in Bridgeport) closing its doors to negative growth and not being able to find someone with the qualifications they require.

#### • Board:

 General discussion regarding the stress levels in the department due to understaffing. General consensus to bring the idea of an intern back the Board at mid-year.

#### Alicia Vennos - Economic Development:

State of the County Part 2 is in the works. Three ideas in the works. \$20k
 Incentive program to encourage existing businesses to expand and grow is in policy items.

## BOARD DISCUSSION ON NON-GENERAL FUND POLICY ITEMS: TOTAL NON-GENERAL FUND POLICY ITEMS: \$620,942

- Clerk-Recorder:
  - De-acidify and preserve old Recorder's documents: \$150,000
  - o Potentially replace document recordation system: \$50,000
  - o Replace map storage racks: \$15,000
  - Scan and digitally store old Recorder's documents: \$25,000

#### Public Health:

- Promote Admin. Services Specialist to Public Health Fiscal & Administrative Services Officer: \$4,453
- Promote Health Program Manager to Director of Nursing: \$5,316
- Public Works/Motor Pool:
  - Replace 4 vehicles: \$126,000
    - Board: questions regarding the need for each vehicle, discussion on base prices, gas mileage, intended use of vehicles.
  - Backup power for fuel system: \$16,000
    - Board: Motor pool to fund, upgrades needed, existing system has issues.
  - o CARB compliant dual purpose water truck/dump-plow truck: \$224,547
    - Board: Discussion on replacing 2 older pieces of equipment with 1 multi-use piece.

#### • Social Services:

- Promote 2 Eligibility Worker I/II positions to Integrated Caseworker I/II positions: \$1,298
- Promote 1 Eligibility Supervisor to a Supervising Integrated Caseworker:
   \$3,328

## BOARD DISCUSSION ON GENERAL FUND POLICY ITEMS: TOTAL GENERAL FUND POLICY ITEMS: \$414,337 USE FROM CONTINGENCY: \$65,000

- Board of Supervisors:
  - General Fund Reserve (Bring to 5% of Current Expenditures): \$38,934
  - CIP Fund Park Improvement Set-Aside/Benton: \$5,000
  - CIP Fund Park Improvement Set-Aside/Chalfant: \$2.000
  - Facilities Complete Chalfant Basketball Courts: \$7.500
  - Property Tax Admin Fee Refund (6 smallest fire districts): \$20,000
  - Arts & Culture: \$5,000
    - Discussion: split this category out of from Community Grant Program to target this genre specifically.
  - Contribution to Youth Sports Programs: \$6,000
    - Discussion: Stuart Knee from AYSO, represents 600 kids, they need funding to keep youth sports alive.

#### Assessor:

- Add to Harold W. Bertholf, Inc. contract for pending appeal: \$50,000
- Add to Norman Dowler, LLP contract for pending appeal: \$50,000
  - Discussion: Adding to existing contracts.

## Community Development/Planning:

Temporary Intern – part time, unbenefited: \$7,513

- Discussion: Tied to grant revenue.
- Economic Development:
  - New/Expanding Business Incentive Grant: \$0
- Economic Development/Tourism:
  - o Film Commission marketing support: \$5,000
  - o California State Fair exhibit and Interagency Visitor's Center: \$10,000
  - o Community Event Marketing Fund: \$20,000
  - Contribution to Mono Historical Societies: \$6,000
  - o Trail Maintenance Program: \$8,500
  - o Air Service Subsidy: \$50,000
    - Discussion: Stump and Fesko cannot support this; TOML does not give air subsidy.
- Information Technology:
  - Bridgeport Board of Supervisors Video Equipment: \$25,000
- Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services:
  - o Increased Radio Contract: \$97,980
    - Discussion: Took bids to improve existing radio system with maintenance contract.

## **Supervisor Alpers:**

 This is the only 1 of 13 budgets he's been involved in that have been completed in one day. Thank you to the staff.

## Supervisor Fesko:

• Thank you to all department heads; great job!

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TIMOTHY E. FESKO CHAIRMAN
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MEETING DATE	September 8, 2015
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**TIME REQUIRED PERSONS** APPEARING

**BEFORE THE** SUBJECT **Board Minutes BOARD** 

## **AGENDA DESCRIPTION:**

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Аррго	ive minutes of the Speci	al Meeting held on September 1, 2015.	
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County Counsel

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## DRAFT MEETING MINUTES BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MONO STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Cattleguard Campground Above Mono Lake, 3049 Hwy 120, Lee Vining, CA 93541. Go West on Hwy 120 out of Lee Vining for three miles, left turn into campground

#### Special Meeting September 1, 2015

9:00 AM Meeting Called to Order at 9:10

Supervisors present: Alpers, Corless, Fesko, Johnston and Stump.

Supervisors absent: None.

Pledge of Allegiance not held due to time constraints

1 OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD No one spoke.

## 2. AGENDA ITEMS

## A. Walking Water Opening Ceremony

Departments: Board of Supervisors

Participate in the Opening Ceremony for the event: Walking Water: In Celebration of Water. This ceremony is to take place at Cattleguard Campground above Mono Lake located at 3049 Hwy 120, Lee Vining, CA 93541 (go West on Hwy 120 out of Lee Vining for three miles, left turn into campground).

Opening comments were made by tribal leaders and elders regarding the importance of water in Native American spiritual beliefs, the purpose of the Walking Water journey to the Owens Lake, and today's ceremony marking the start of the journey.

Mono County Supervisors were invited to speak, and the following comments were made:

#### **Chairman Fesko:**

 Thanked the group for inviting Mono County to participate. Felt it was good to see so many different groups and individuals present. Introduced the officials and employees of Mono County who were at the ceremony: Vice Chair Stump; Supervisors Alpers, Corless, and Johnston; Lynda Salcido, Marshall Rudolph, Leslie Chapman, Bob Musil, and Stacey Simon. Encouraged all of the participants to be safe.

## **Supervisor Stump:**

• Feels that there is a lot of good energy here at the opening ceremonies, compared it to yoga and meditation.

A ceremony was held mixing the waters from various Eastern Sierra tributaries and streams with water from other parts of California, the rest of the United States, and international water sources. This water will be carried on the journey.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors will convene in the Board of Supervisor's Chambers, County Courthouse, Bridgeport, CA at 12:00 p.m.

ADJOURN – 10:39

ATTEST

TIMOTHY E. FESKO
CHAIRMAN

BOB MUSIL
CLERK OF THE BOARD



## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST



MEETING DATE September 8, 2015

Departments: Public Works - Road

TIME REQUIRED

SUBJECT Hiring Freeze Variance -

Maintenance Worker II Vacancy in

Road Area I

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD

#### **AGENDA DESCRIPTION:**

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

A vacancy exists in Road for a Maintenance Worker II out of Road Area 5 in Walker.

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Authorize Public Works, in consultation with Human Resources, to recruit in-county to fill an existing Maintenance Worker II vacancy in Road Area 5 (Walker). If no requests are received in-county then advertise out-of-county to fill same vacancy. Provide any desired direction to staff.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

Maintenance Worker II - The total cost (salary and benefits) for remainder (9 months) of fiscal year 15/16 is \$41,794 and a full fiscal year is \$55,726 of which \$36,456 is salary. This has been budgeted and approved in the FY 15/16 Road Fund budget.

CONTA	CT NAME:	Jeff Walters
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3/26/2015 9:53 AM	County Administrative Office	Yes
/1/2015 12:04 PM	County Counsel	Yes
B/31/2015 12:07 PM	Finance	Yes



# MONO COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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Date: September 8, 2015

**To:** Honorable Chair and Members of the Board of Supervisors

From: Jeff Walters, Public Works Director / Director of Road Operations and Fleet

Services

**Subject:** Hiring Freeze Variance – Maintenance Worker II Vacancy in Road Area 5

#### Recommended Action:

Authorize Public Works Director, in consultation with Human Resources, to recruit in-county to fill an existing Maintenance Worker II vacancy in Road Area 5 (Walker). If no requests are received in-county then advertise out-of-county to fill same vacancy. Provide any desired direction to staff.

## **Fiscal Impact:**

The funding source for this position is full-time out of the Road Fund.

Maintenance Worker II - The total cost (salary and benefits) for remainder (9 months) of fiscal year 15/16 is \$41,794 and a full fiscal year is \$55,726 of which \$36,456 is salary.

## Discussion:

Due to the recent departure of a Maintenance Worker II a vacancy exists for a Maintenance Worker II in Road Area 5 (Walker). Public Works (PW) has followed the Mono County Public Employees MOU protocol to fill that vacancy.

Road Area 4/5 is responsible for maintaining over 172 miles of roadways in and around Antelope Valley, Bridgeport, Twin Lakes and Virginia Lakes areas.

During summer months this employee will work with the other staff in Road Area 4/5 and maintain over 43 miles of paved and 129 miles of dirt roads. During winter 41 miles of snow removal and 26 miles of spring opening snow removal are under their responsibility.

This position is critical in ensuring day-to-day road maintenance and snow removal operations in and around Antelope Valley, Bridgeport, Twin Lakes and Virginia Lakes areas.

If this position is not filled it will require additional help from other districts (when possible) during winter and summer for snow removal, traffic control, road maintenance and other

tasks. One fewer snow removal operator directly results in slower response times and a reduction in level of service to constituents.

If you have any questions regarding this item, please contact Jeff Walters at 932-5459.

Respectfully submitted,

**Jeff Walters** 

Public Works Director / Director of Road Operations and Fleet Services

## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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MEETING DATE September 8, 2015

Departments: Public Works - Road

TIME REQUIRED
SUBJECT
Hiring Freeze Variance Maintenance Worker II-III Vacancy in
Maintenance Worker II-III Vacancy in

Road Area 5

#### **AGENDA DESCRIPTION:**

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

A Maintenance Worker II-III vacancy exists in Road Area 1 (Crowley). Filling this position is necessary to maintain appropriate levels of service in this Road Area.

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Authorize Public Works Director, in consultation with Human Resources, to recruit in-county to fill an existing Maintenance Worker II-III vacancy in Road Area I (Crowley). If no requests are received in-county then advertise out-of-county to fill same vacancy. Provide any desired direction to staff.

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The funding source for this position is full-time out of the Road Fund.

Maintenance Worker II - The total cost (salary and benefits) for remainder (9 months) of fiscal year 15/16 is \$41,794 and a full fiscal year is \$55,726 of which \$36,456 is salary.

Maintenance Worker III - The total cost for remainder of fiscal year 14/15 is \$43,181 and a full fiscal year is \$57,574 of which \$38,304 is salary.

**CONTACT NAME:** Jeff Walters

PHONE/EMAIL: /

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9/1/2015 12:05 PM	County Counsel	Yes
8/31/2015 12:08 PM	Finance	Yes



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Date: September 8, 2015

**To:** Honorable Chair and Members of the Board of Supervisors

From: Jeff Walters, Public Works Director / Director of Road Operations and Fleet

Services

Subject: Hiring Freeze Variance – Maintenance Worker II-III Vacancy in Road Area I

(Crowley)

#### **Recommended Action:**

Authorize Public Works Director, in consultation with Human Resources, to recruit in-county to fill an existing Maintenance Worker II-III vacancy in Road Area I (Crowley). If no requests are received in-county then advertise out-of-county to fill same vacancy. Provide any desired direction to staff.

## Fiscal Impact:

The funding source for this position is full-time out of the Road Fund.

Maintenance Worker II - The total cost (salary and benefits) for remainder (9 months) of fiscal year 15/16 is \$41,794 and a full fiscal year is \$55,726 of which \$36,456 is salary.

Maintenance Worker III - The total cost for remainder of fiscal year 14/15 is \$43,181 and a full fiscal year is \$57,574 of which \$38,304 is salary.

## Discussion:

A vacancy currently exists for a Maintenance Worker II-III in Road Area I. Public Works (PW) has followed the Mono County Public Employees MOU protocol to fill that vacancy.

Road Area I staff are responsible for maintaining over 182 miles of roadways in areas including Swall Meadows, Paradise, Crowley, Sunny Slopes, Hilton Creek, and the access road to the Mammoth Yosemite Airport among others.

During summer months this employee will work with the other staff in Road Area I and maintain over 79 miles of paved and 103 miles of dirt roads. During winter 83 miles of snow removal and 26 miles of spring opening snow removal are under their responsibility.

This position is critical in ensuring day-to-day operations of road maintenance and snow removal operations in Road Area I.

If this position is not filled it will require additional help from other districts (when possible) during winter and summer for snow removal, traffic control, road maintenance and other tasks. One fewer snow removal operator directly results in slower response times and a reduction in level of service to constituents.

If you have any questions regarding this item, please contact Jeff Walters at 932-5459.

Respectfully submitted,

**Jeff Walters** 

Public Works Director/Director of Road Operations and Fleet Services

## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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MEETING DATE September 8, 2015

**Departments: Behavioral Health** 

**TIME REQUIRED** 

SUBJECT Out of State Travel Request for

Behavioral Health Employee to

Attend Conference

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD

#### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Mono County Behavioral Health has a variety of mandates required through Health Care Reform; one is to continue to increase the capacity of our Electronic Health Record system (EHR). This also includes our ability to use the required ICD-10 billing codes by October 1, 2015. Ms. Martin is the lead in our implementation of the new Echo Group EHR (occurring October 13-16, 2015). Additionally, as our Fiscal Administrator, she will be involved in changing our billing system to the ICD-10 coding system.

## RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve out of state travel for Mono County Behavioral Health employee, Shirley Martin, to attend the Echo Group, Peer to Peer v. 12.1 Conference, in Portland, Maine, September 27-30, 2015.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact to the Mono County General Fund. Echo Group has given us a onetime 50% discount on the registration fee. Mental Health Services Act funding will be used for the following: Event registration @ 50% \$325.00; Hotel costs \$408.24; Airfare (current number) \$406.; Per Diem and parking \$170. Total: \$1,305.

**CONTACT NAME:** Robin Roberts

PHONE/EMAIL: 760-924-1740 / rroberts@mono.ca.gov

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## ☐ Staff Report, Out of state travel

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9/1/2015 1:03 PM	County Administrative Office	Yes
9/1/2015 12:02 PM	County Counsel	Yes
9/2/2015 3:38 PM	Finance	Yes

## MONO COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT



P. O. BOX 2619 MAMMOTH LAKES, CA 93546 (760) 924-1740 FAX: (760) 924-1741

**TO:** Mono County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Robin K. Roberts, Behavioral Health Director

**DATE:** August 31, 2015

## **SUBJECT:**

Approve out of state travel for Mono County Behavioral Health employee, Shirley Martin, to attend the Echo Group, Peer to Peer v. 12.1 Conference, in Portland, Maine, September 27-30, 2015.

## **DISCUSSION:**

Mono County Behavioral Health has a variety of mandates required through Health Care Reform; one is to continue to increase the capacity of our Electronic Health Record system (EHR). This also includes our ability to use the required ICD-10 billing codes by October 1, 2015. Ms. Martin is the lead in this project and the Echo Group fees that her attendance at this conference would benefit our department and lower the cost of implementation.

MCBH is scheduled to begin the implementation process for this new EHR on October 13, 2015, and having Ms. Martin participate in the Peer to Peer Summit conference will bring us up to speed quicker and allow us to use less staff time as we integrate this new system.

## **STRATEGIC PLAN:**

This project has been vetted by the Mono County IT department. It fits within the following Eight Strategic Directions: Understand and Address Community Needs & Support Healthy People in Healthy Communities by providing collaboration with county departments and our local health care delivery system; Effective Use of Resources by enhancing technology for service provision; Strengthening County Culture by promoting staff to participate at the top levels of new technology and strengthening interconnection between county agencies (BH and IT).

## FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact to the Mono County General Fund. Echo Group has given us a onetime 50% discount on the registration fee. Mental Health Services Act funding will be used for the following: Registration \$325; Hotel \$408.24; Airfare (at current rate) \$406.; Per Diem and parking. \$170. Total \$1,305.

#### **SUBMITTED BY:**

Robin K. Roberts, Director of Behavioral Health, Contact: 760.924.1740



## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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MEETING DATE	September 8, 2015
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TIME REQUIRED PERSONS
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SUBJECT Letter from Camp Azusa Senior

Citizens Association

APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD

## **AGENDA DESCRIPTION:**

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Letter of appreciation to the Board of Supervisors and Mono County for the use of Mono Lake County Park during the Walker Fire from Camp Azusa Senior Citizens Association.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:	
FISCAL IMPACT:	
CONTACT NAME: Helen Nunn PHONE/EMAIL: x5534 / hnunn@mono.c	a.gov
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Mono County
Board of Supervisors
P.O. 715
Bridgeport, CA 93517



We would like you to know how much we appreciated the use of the Mono Lake County Park during the 2015 Walker Fire Hwy 120 camps evacuation. The fact that we could stay as a group and also close to our camp to receive up to date communication from the Forestry and Sheriff Departments was extremely helpful.

The park is so beautiful. Many people take advantage of this informative and peaceful setting.

Thank you for letting us settle there for a week during a very stressful time.

Sincerely;

Camp Azusa Senior Citizens Association

Dana Maxwell

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# REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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MEETING DATE	September 8, 2015
Departments: Clei	k of the Board

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APPEARING

SUBJECT Wildlife Conservation Board Meeting BEFORE THE

Notice BOARD

#### **AGENDA DESCRIPTION:**

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Receipt of Wildlife Conservation Board's upcoming agenda for the September 3, 2015 meeting. This correspondence details the agenda items and highlights item #29, the only item relating to Mono County. This item is regarding a project associated with Summers Meadow. The back up to this agenda item has also been included. The entire agenda including back up for ALL items (not associated with Mono County) are available to view in the clerk's office.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

FISCAL IMPACT:

CONTACT NAME: Shannon Kendall
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DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

### WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD

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# **NOTICE OF MEETING**

## **WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD**

September 3, 2015 10:00 AM 1/ Natural Resources Auditorium Sacramento, California 95814

#### FINAL AGENDA ITEMS

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*6.	Recovery of Funds	14

<sup>\*</sup> Proposed Consent Calendar

<sup>1/</sup> These facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities; more information on page xi.

\*7. Mouth of Cottonwood Creek Expansion (Manner)
Shasta County

ITEM NO.

\$350,000.00

20

To consider the acquisition in fee of 13± acres of land by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife as an addition to the Mouth of Cottonwood Creek Wildlife Area to provide additional access for wildlife oriented public opportunities located near Cottonwood, in Shasta County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition of land for the development of public access facilities for hunting, fishing and other wildlife compatible recreational activities. [California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks and Coastal Protection Fund (Proposition 40), Public Resources Code Section 5096.650(a)]

\*8. Epperson Place Ranch Conservation Easement Colusa County

\$0.00

25

This project is being withdrawn from consideration.

\*9. Keegan Ranch Conservation Easement Colusa County

\$0.00

25

This project is being withdrawn from consideration.

\*10. Yolo County HCP/NCCP Development, Phase III Yolo County

\$462,500.00

25

To consider the allocation for a grant to Yolo Habitat Conservancy to finalize an Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement for a Habitat Conservation Plan/Natural Community Conservation Plan covering the entire County of Yolo. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for grants that implement or assist in the establishment of NCCPs. [Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006 (Proposition 84), Public Resources Code Section 75055(c) (SB8)]

\*11. McCune and Cronin Habitat Enhancement Solano County

\$375,000.00

29

To consider the allocation for a grant to the Solano Resource Conservation District, for a cooperative project with the Landowners, the U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Center for Land-based Learning, to enhance 21± acres of riparian habitat on two privately owned properties, one located approximately five miles north of Rio Vista, and the second approximately four miles southeast of Winters, in Solano

ITEM NO.

County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for projects to assist farmers in integrating agricultural activities with ecosystem restoration and wildlife protection. [Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006 (Proposition 84), Public Resources Code Section 75055(d)(4)]

\*12. Maxwell Conservation Easement Transfer Fresno County

\$0.00

35

To consider the acceptance of a conservation easement over 15± acres of land, held for mitigation purposes by the Sierra Foothill Conservancy, to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife for the continued protection of habitat and to prevent any use of the Property that will significantly impair or interfere with the conservation values of the Property, located in the city of Auberry in Fresno County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition and protection of habitat to protect rare, endangered, threatened or fully protected species.

\*13. San Joaquin River Parkway, Spano River Ranch, Habitat Enhancement Project Fresno County \$550,000.00

37

To consider the allocation for a grant to the San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust for a cooperative project with the San Joaquin River Conservancy (SJRC) to restore and enhance 51± acres of upland, riparian, and wetland habitats on the SJRC's Spano River Ranch property, located one mile downstream of the State Route 41 bridge within the City of Fresno in the County of Fresno. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for river parkway projects identified by the San Joaquin River Conservancy. [Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006 (Proposition 84), Public Resources Code Section 75050(f)]

\*14. Southern Sierra Nevada Mountains, Cummings Ranch Kern County \$210,000.00

41

To consider the allocation for a grant to The Nature Conservancy for a cooperative project with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to acquire a conservation easement over 1,019± acres of land for the protection of native oak woodlands and rolling grasslands and to support habitat linkages and corridors between existing protected lands, located 25 miles southeast of Bakersfield and eleven miles northwest of the city center of Tehachapi in Kern County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the

authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition of habitat, including native oak woodlands, to protect deer and mountain lions. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(a)]

\*15. Puma Canyon, Expansion 6
San Bernardino County

ITEM NO.

\$66,000.00 45

To consider the allocation for a grant to the Transition Habitat Conservancy to acquire 6± acres of land, to conserve lower montane chaparral and woodland habitat for the benefit of deer, mountain lion and other wildlife species, located in Puma Canyon on the lower northern slopes of the San Bernardino Mountains, near the community of Pinon Hills in San Bernardino County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition and protection of habitat to protect deer and mountain lions. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(a)]

\*16. Shay Meadows Conservation Area Expansions 2 and 3 (Whitcher and Smith) San Bernardino County \$85,575.00 48

To consider the allocation of a grant to the San Bernardino Mountains Land Trust (SBMLT) and the acceptance of a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Recovery Land Acquisition Grant and the approval to subgrant these federal funds to the SBMLT to acquire in fee 5± acres of land for the protection and preservation of wet meadow and seasonal pond habitat supporting State and federally listed species, located near the community of Big Bear City, east of Big Bear Lake in San Bernardino County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the proposed funding source that allows for the acquisition and protection of habitats that are critical to the sustainability of threatened or endangered species. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(b/c)]

\*17. SR-91 Wildlife Underpass Design Riverside County

\$0.00

51

This project is being withdrawn from consideration.

\*18. Western Riverside Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (2012) – Dyer/Wynn, Riverside County \$128,200.00

51

To consider the acceptance of a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Habitat Conservation Plan Land Acquisition grant and the approval to subgrant these federal funds to the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority

(Authority), as well as to consider a Wildlife Conservation Board grant to the Authority, to acquire in fee 20± acres of land in western Riverside County located near the city of Lake Elsinore in Riverside County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition of habitat to protect rare, endangered, threatened or fully protected species; and which allows for the acquisition of habitat on which unique species or natural communities exist. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117) Fish and Game Code Section 2786(b/c)]

\*19. Western Riverside Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (2012) - McCormick, Riverside County \$68,000.00

57

To consider the acceptance of a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Habitat Conservation Plan Land Acquisition grant and the approval to subgrant these federal funds to the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority (Authority), as well as to consider a Wildlife Conservation Board grant to the Authority, to acquire in fee 5± acres of land in western Riverside County located near Murrieta in Riverside County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition of habitat to protect rare, endangered, threatened or fully protected species; and which allows for the acquisition of habitat on which unique species or natural communities exist. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117) Fish and Game Code Section 2786(b/c)]

\*20. Hollenbeck Canyon Wildlife Area, Expansion 5 San Diego County \$390,551.00

62

To consider the acquisition in fee of 391± acres of land by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife CDFW for a cooperative project with San Diego Association of Governments, for the protection of core wildlife linkages and habitat that supports key populations of the endangered quino checkerspot butterfly as an expansion to the Hollenbeck Wildlife Area located near the community of Jamul approximately 20 miles east of downtown San Diego. The purposes of this project are consistent with the proposed funding source that allows for the acquisition of habitat to protect rare, endangered, threatened and fully protected species. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(b/c)]

\*21. Lucky 5 Ranch, Phase II San Diego County \$510,000.00

66

To consider the allocation for a grant to Anza-Borrego Foundation for a cooperative project with the San Diego Association of Governments, The Nature Conservancy, and the Resources Legacy Fund to acquire in fee 1,129± acres of land for the protection of habitat that supports endangered species, promotes

the preservation of habitat linkages and corridors between existing protected lands, and offers the potential to provide for wildlife oriented public use opportunities, located near the community of Cuyamaca in San Diego County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition of habitat to protect rare, endangered, threatened or fully protected species. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(b/c)]

# \*22. Sycuan Peak Ecological Reserve, Expansion 5 San Diego County

\$77,650.00

71

To consider the acceptance of a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Habitat Conservation Plan Land Acquisition grant to assist with the acquisition in fee of 77± acres of land by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife for the protection of core areas of habitat to support threatened and endangered species and to secure key regional wildlife linkages all consistent with an existing Multiple Species Conservation Plan, a joint Habitat Conservation Plan and Natural Community Conservation Plan, located near the City of El Cajon in San Diego County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition of habitat to protect rare, endangered, threatened or fully protected species; and which allows for the acquisition of habitat on which unique species or natural communities naturally exist. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(b/c)]

## 23. Pine Creek Linkages (Rose Ranch) Tehama County

\$1,547,000.00

75

To consider an allocation for a grant to the Northern California Regional Land Trust for a cooperative project with the Natural Resources Conservation Service to acquire a conservation easement over 5,545± acres to provide protection for deer, mountain lion, and oak habitats north of the town of Chico in Tehama County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition and protection of habitat to protect deer and mountain lions. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(a)]

# 24. Upper Butte Basin Wildlife Area, Expansion 7 Butte County

\$2,640,000.00

79

To consider the acquisition in fee of 255± acres of land by the Department of Fish and Wildlife, as an expansion to the Upper Butte Basin Wildlife Area (UBBWA) supporting wetland habitat. The property will provide habitat for waterfowl, shorebirds and riparian songbirds and will contribute to the public use and other management objectives of the UBBWA including water management. The property is located near Biggs in Butte County. The purposes of this project

are consistent with the proposed funding sources that allow for the acquisition of habitat to protect rare, endangered, threatened or fully protected species and to also acquire wetlands to protect or enhance a flood protection corridor or bypass in the Central Valley. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(b/c) (Proposition 1E); Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(d)(IWCP) (Proposition 1E), Inland Wetlands Conservation Program]

25. Brush Creek Conservation Easement (Miller Trust),
Mendocino County

\$1,676,000.00

83

To consider the allocation of a grant to the Mendocino Land Trust to acquire a conservation easement over 2,018± acres of land for the conservation and protection of managed forest lands and forest reserve areas that include Douglas fir, old growth redwood, riparian corridors, coastal watersheds and riverine habitats, and support salmonids and other rare wildlife species, located east of Point Arena, in Mendocino County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for forest conservation and protection projects in order to promote the ecological integrity and economic stability of California's diverse native forests through forest conservation, preservation and restoration of productive managed forest lands, forest reserve areas, redwood forests and other forest types, including the conservation of water resources and natural habitats for native fish, wildlife and plants found on these lands. [Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006 (Proposition 84), Public Resources Code Section 75055(a)]

26. Ten Mile River - Parker Ranch, Forest Conservation Program Mendocino County \$3,470,000.00

88

To consider the allocation for a grant to The Nature Conservancy for a cooperative project with the State Coastal Conservancy to acquire a conservation easement on 2,554± acres of native forest habitats, including redwood, Douglas fir and Grand fir forest in the upland zones, and mature red alder forest within the riparian zone along the Ten Mile River located near Fort Bragg in Mendocino County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for forest conservation and protection projects in order to promote the ecological integrity and economic stability of California's diverse native forests through forest conservation, preservation and restoration of productive managed forest lands, forest reserve areas, redwood forests and other forest types, including the conservation of water resources and natural habitats for native fish, wildlife and plants found on these lands. [Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006 (Proposition 84),

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Public Resources Code Section 75055(a)]

27. Feather River Wildlife Area,
Riparian Habitat Restoration
Abbott Lake Unit, Augmentation
Sutter County

\$620,000.00

93

To consider the allocation for an augmentation to an existing grant to River Partners for a partnership project with the Department of Fish and Wildlife to restore approximately 150± acres of riparian habitat and enhance remnant riparian forest habitat on the Abbott Lake Unit of the Feather River Wildlife Area, located approximately seven miles south of Yuba City on the west bank of the Feather River in Sutter County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the development, rehabilitation, restoration, acquisition and protection of habitat that promotes recovery of threatened and endangered species and protects significant natural landscapes and ecosystems. [Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006 (Proposition 84), Public Resources Code Section 75055(b)]

28. Blue Ridge-Berryessa CAPP, Smittle Creek Napa County

\$1,420,000.00

98

To consider the allocation of a grant to the Napa County Regional Park and Open Space District to acquire 443± acres of land for the protection and preservation of deer, mountain lion, and oak woodland habitat and existing regional wildlife linkages, located west of Lake Berryessa in Napa County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the proposed funding sources, which allows for the acquisition and protection of habitat to protect deer and mountain lions and also prevent habitat fragmentation, and to protect significant natural landscapes and ecosystems and other significant habitat areas. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(a) and the California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks and Coastal Protection Fund (Proposition 40), Public Resources Code Section 5096.650(a)]

29. Summers Meadow Mono County

\$1,345,000.00

102

To consider the acquisition in fee for a cooperative project with the Natural Resources Conservation Service to acquire in fee 2,036± acres of rangeland including wet meadow, chaparral and sagebrush scrub habitat areas supporting deer, mountain lion, Sierra Nevada bighorn sheep and the greater sage grouse, located near the community of Bridgeport in Mono County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition and protection of habitat to protect rare, endangered, threatened or fully protected species. [Habitat Conservation Fund

(Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(b/c)]

30. Santa Cruz Mountains Linkages, Coyote Ridge (NCCP), Santa Clara County

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\$2,710,000.00 and Tax Credit 106

To consider the allocation for a tax credit to United Technologies Corporation for a cooperative project with Santa Clara Open Space Authority, US Fish and Wildlife Services, Bureau of Reclamation, California State Parks, California Coastal Conservancy, the Resources Legacy Fund, and the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation to acquire 1,831± acres of land for the protection of threatened and endangered species, provide movement corridors and connectivity, and provide wildlife oriented public use opportunities, located near Morgan Hill in Santa Clara County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition and protection of habitat that implements or assists in the establishment of Natural Community Conservation Plans. [Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006 (Proposition 84), Public Resources Code Section 75055(c)]

31. San Joaquin River Parkway, San Joaquin Hatchery Public Access and Trail, Augmentation II Fresno County \$850,000.00

To consider the allocation for an augmentation to an existing grant to the California Department of Water Resources to improve public fishing access and enhance riparian habitat on the San Joaquin River and to improve recreational access to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife's San Joaquin Fish Hatchery (Hatchery) within the San Joaquin River Parkway, located on the south bank of the San Joaquin River about one quarter mile downstream of the Road 206 bridge in the town of Friant in Fresno County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for river parkway projects identified by the San Joaquin River Conservancy. [Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006 (Proposition 84), Public Resources Code Section 75050(f)]

32. Carmel River, San Clemente Dam Removal, Augmentation

\$1,000,000.00

119

Monterey County

To consider the allocation for an amendment to an existing grant to the State Coastal Conservancy for a cooperative project with California American Water (CAW), the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, the California Natural Resources Agency, the Open River Initiative, the Innovative Readiness Training

Program, the Coastal Impact Assistance Program and private foundations to remove the San Clemente Dam and reroute a half-mile portion of the Carmel River, located approximately 18 miles from the Pacific Ocean on CAW property in Monterey County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the proposed funding source that allows for the acquisition, development, rehabilitation, restoration and protection of habitat to promote the recovery of rare and endangered species, and to provide wildlife corridors and significant natural landscapes, ecosystems and habitat areas. [California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Fund (Proposition 40), Section 5096.650(a)]

33. Elkhorn Slough Tidal Marsh Restoration Monterey County

\$980,000.00

124

To consider the allocation for a grant to the Elkhorn Slough Foundation for a cooperative project with California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), California State Coastal Conservancy, California Department of Water Resources, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and Santa Cruz County Public Works, to restore 46± acres of tidal marsh and five acres of perennial grasses, on CDFW's Elkhorn Slough National Marine Estuarine Research Reserve, located two miles east of Moss Landing in Monterey County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition, enhancement or restoration of wetlands outside the Central Valley. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(d), Wetlands Outside the Central Valley]

34. Cienega Springs Ventura County

\$7,545,000.00

129

To consider the acquisition in fee of 282± acres of land by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) and to accept settlement funds from the U.S. Department of the Interior Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration Fund for the protection of threatened and endangered species, riparian and floodplain habitat along the Santa Clara River and to provide wildlife oriented public use opportunities associated with CDFW's Filmore Fish Hatchery located near Filmore in Ventura County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition of habitat to protect rare, endangered, threatened or fully protected species to protect or enhance a flood protection corridor or bypass. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(b/c) (Proposition 1E)]

35. Malibu Creek Rindge Dam Removal, Planning Los Angeles County

\$610,000.00

134

To consider the allocation for a grant to the California Department of Parks and

Recreation for a cooperative project with the United States Army Corp of Engineers, State Coastal Conservancy/Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission, California Department of Parks and Recreation, Los Angeles County, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Regional Water Quality Control Board, and Mountains Restoration Trust to complete the combined Feasibility Study and Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement for the removal of the Rindge Dam, located two miles north of City of Malibu in Los Angeles County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition, protection and restoration of coastal watersheds and adjacent lands in Los Angeles, Ventura or Santa Barbara Counties. [Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Fund of 2002 (Proposition 50), Water Code Section 79572(a)] and Water Code Section 79572(b)]

## 36. Buena Vista Lagoon (MacHutchin) San Diego County

\$1,360,000.00

138

To consider the allocation for a grant to The Buena Vista Audubon Society to acquire in fee 4± acres of coastal wetlands located near Oceanside in San Diego County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition, protection and restoration of coastal wetlands identified in the Southern California Coastal Wetlands Inventory, located within the coastal zone, other wetlands connected and proximate to such coastal wetlands and upland areas adjacent and proximate to such coastal wetlands. [Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Fund of 2002 (Proposition 50), Water Code Section 79572(a)]

#### PERSONS WITH DISABILITES

Persons with disabilities needing reasonable accommodation to participate in public meetings or other CDFW activities are invited to contact the Department's Reasonable Accommodation Coordinator Melissa Carlin at (916) 651-1214 or Melissa.Carlin@wildlife.ca.gov. Reasonable Accommodation requests for facility and/or meeting accessibility should be received by August 26, 2015. Requests for American Sign Language Interpreters should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the event, and requests for Real-Time Captioners at least four weeks prior to the event. These timeframes are to help ensure that the requested accommodation is met. If a request for an accommodation has been submitted but is no longer needed, please contact the Reasonable Accommodation Coordinator immediately.

# 29. Summers Meadow Mono County

\$1,345,000.00

This proposal is to consider a cooperative project with the U.S.D.A. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to acquire approximately 2,036 acres of habitat for the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW). The property includes wet meadow, chaparral and sagebrush scrub habitat areas supporting deer, mountain lion, greater sage grouse, and Sierra Nevada bighorn sheep.

#### LOCATION AND SURROUNDING USES

The property (Property) is situated in Mono County on the lower eastern slopes of the Sierra Nevada Mountains, 8 miles southwest from the intersection of Green Creek Road and State Route 395 via a United States Forest Service road. The nearest communities are Bridgeport (6 miles north), Virginia Lakes Settlement (3 mi southwest), and Lee Vining (10 miles south). Other significant features in the vicinity of the Property include the Bodie Hills to the east, Mono Lake to the southeast and Bridgeport Valley to the north.

The Property is near the CDFW Green Creek Wildlife Area. This Property is surrounded by other public lands including the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) lands. East of the Property is the United States Department of Agriculture's Hoover Wilderness Area and the BLM Conway Summit Area of Critical Environmental Concern.

The Property is identified within CDFW's Upper Summers Meadow and Sinnamon Meadow Unit – Green Creek Wildlife Area Conceptual Area Protection Plan (CAPP). The CAPP describes the need to maintain habitat connectivity between public lands separated by large private parcels, such as the Property, that if developed could potentially fragment wildlife movement and dispersal corridors. The CAPP area comprises a total of 4,920 acres, including 683 acres of wetlands, 217 acres of aspen habitat, and 1.2 miles of riverine habitat.

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Property is summer pasture grazed by cattle as part of a larger ranch operation. Livestock grazing is an important component of the rural economy. Agricultural practices such as irrigation have been ongoing on the Property for more than a century and have resulted in extensive wetlands that, in addition to being productive pasture, also support a number of species of special concern that utilize the Property for water, foraging habitat, and connectivity between surrounding upland areas. The acquisition will ensure that future land uses do not impair the habitat values of the Property.

Habitat areas on the Property include wet and dry montane meadow, sagebrush, bitterbrush, aspen, lodgepole pine, and montane riparian habitats. Natural springs and wetlands are also found on the Property.

As the NRCS is a funding partner in this acquisition, their funding requires that they hold a conservation easement similar to the Wildlife Conservation Board's (WCB) Notice of Unrecorded Grant Agreement when WCB makes a grant. The combined goals of NRCS and WCB for the project is to assure that this large 2,036-acre private Property will be retained forever in its predominantly natural state as a natural, scenic, habitat and open-space resource, and to prevent any conversion or subdivision of the Property that could significantly diminish or impair these values. CDFW wildlife use objectives include preserving summer brood rearing habitat for the Bi-State distinct population segment of the greater sage-grouse (proposed as a federally-listed threatened species) and providing a buffer zone between habitat occupied by the endangered Sierra Nevada bighorn sheep and areas grazed by domestic sheep. The Property provides critical migration, holdover, and summer range habitat for the East Walker and Mono Lake mule deer herds as delineated through a radio telemetry study conducted by CDFW. The montane riparian habitats on the Property are of particular importance as they have exceptionally high wildlife values, providing water, thermal cover, migration corridors and diverse nesting and breeding opportunities for wildlife species, including mountain lions. Other species that will benefit from the protection of the Property are the Sierra Nevada yellow-legged frog, Pacific fisher, and Sierra Nevada red fox, all of which are species of special concern.

#### WCB PROGRAM

The proposed acquisition is being made under the WCB's Land Acquisition Program (Program). The Program is administered pursuant to the Board's original enabling legislation, "The Wildlife Conservation Law of 1947" (Fish and Game Code Section 1300, et seq.) authorizing the WCB to acquire real property or rights in real property on behalf of CDFW, grant funds to other governmental entities or nonprofit organizations to acquire real property or rights in real property and accept federal grant funds to facilitate acquisitions or subgrant these federal funds to assist with the acquisitions of properties. Under the Program, the WCB provides funds to facilitate the acquisition of lands and interests in land that can successfully sustain or be restored to support wildlife and, when practicable, provide for suitable wildlife oriented recreation opportunities. These activities are carried out in conjunction with CDFW, which evaluates the biological values of property through development of a Land Acquisition Evaluation/Conceptual Area Protection Plan (LAE/CAPP). The LAE/CAPP is then submitted to CDFW's Regional Operations Committee for review and, if approved, later transmitted to the WCB with a recommendation to fund.

This project is guided by the WCB Strategic Plan and supports the following Strategic Plan Goals:

 Goal A-1 Fund Projects and Landscapes that provide resilience for sensitive wildlife and plant species in the face of climate change.

The acquisition would continue to allow migration and movement of species and provide for habitat connectivity between identified habitat areas.

 Goal A-4 Invest in priority conservation projects recommended under CDFW's land acquisition evaluation process or within other conservation plans supported by CDFW.

The Project is located within the CDFW's Upper Summers Meadow and Sinnamon Meadow Unit – Green Creek Wildlife Area Conceptual Area Protection Plan (CAPP).

#### MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND NEEDS

CDFW estimates that operation and management costs for the Property will be minimal, not exceeding \$2,000.00 per fiscal year, with said costs to be allocated from existing lands and facility management budgets for the northern area of the Inland Deserts Region (Region 6). The primary management objective will be to conserve, protect, and enhance habitat for Sierra Nevada bighorn sheep, mule deer, and the greater sage grouse. Potential future management activities may include irrigation, stream bank stabilization, and aspen stand reforesting. Potential habitat enhancement projects could be undertaken through support from and in partnership with non-profit organizations such as the California Deer Association.

#### **TERMS**

The Property has been appraised as having a fair market value of \$2,980,000.00. The appraisal has been reviewed by WCB staff and reviewed and approved by the Department of General Services (DGS). NRCS will obtain a conservation easement on the Property as a requirement of its funding. WCB will then purchase the underlying fee at the DGS-approved appraised value \$1,320,000.00.

WCB must review and approve all title documents, appraisals, preliminary title reports, documents for purchase and sale, escrow instructions and instruments of conveyance prior to disbursement of funds directly into the escrow account established for the acquisition. Once approved by the Board, the transaction will also be subject to review and approval by DGS.

#### PROJECT FUNDING

The proposed funding breakdown for the project is as follows:

TOTAL WCB ALLOCATION	\$1,345,000.00
Other Project-Related Costs	\$25,000.00
Total Purchase Price	\$2,788,025.00
USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service	\$1,468,025.00
Wildlife Conservation Board	\$1,320,000.00

It is estimated that an additional \$25,000.00 will be needed to cover project-related administrative costs, including DGS appraisal review.

#### **FUNDING SOURCE**

The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, the Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(b/c), which allows for the acquisition of habitat to protect rare, endangered, threatened or fully protected species.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE AND STATE RECOMMENDATION

The project has been reviewed for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements and is proposed as exempt under CEQA Guidelines Section 15313, Class 13, as an acquisition of land for wildlife conservation purposes, and Section 15325, Class 25, as a transfer of an ownership interest in land to preserve open space and existing natural conditions, including plant or animal habitats. Subject to authorization by the WCB, a Notice of Exemption will be filed with the State Clearinghouse.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Wildlife Conservation Board approve this project as proposed; allocate \$1,345,000.00 from the Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(b/c) to cover project-related expenses; authorize staff to enter into appropriate agreements necessary to accomplish this project; and authorize staff and CDFW to proceed substantially as planned.

# REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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MEETING DATE	September 8,	2015
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TIME REQUIRED PERSONS

**APPEARING** 

SUBJECT Closed Session--Human Resources BEFORE THE

**BOARD** 

#### **AGENDA DESCRIPTION:**

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Marshall Rudolph, John Vallejo, Leslie Chapman, and Lynda Salcido. Employee Organization(s): Mono County Sheriff's Officers Association (aka Deputy Sheriff's Association), Local 39--majority representative of Mono County Public Employees (MCPE) and Deputy Probation Officers Unit (DPOU), Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association (PARA), Mono County Public Safety Officers Association (PSO), and Mono County Sheriff Department's Management Association (SO Mgmt). Unrepresented employees: All.

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# REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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MEETING DATE	September	8, 2015
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TIME REQUIRED

**SUBJECT** Closed Session - Conference With

Legal Counsel

PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD

#### **AGENDA DESCRIPTION:**

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION. Subdivision (a) of Government Code section 54956.9.

Name of case: Worker's compensation claim of Erin Larrison.

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# REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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MEETING DATE September 8, 2015

**Departments: Risk Management** 

TIME REQUIRED 10 minutes (5 minute presentation; 5 PERSONS

minute discussion)

**SUBJECT** Resolution Approving Industrial

Disability Retirement for Erin

Larrison

PERSONS

APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD Sarah Messerlian

#### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Proposed Resolution determining that Erin Larrison is eligible for Industrial Disability Retirement.

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Review and adopt Resolution determining that Erin Larrison is eligible for Industrial Disability Retirement.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The County will process advance disability pension payments from the Risk Management fund in the amount of \$2,573.85 per month until the determination is final with CalPERS, at which time said expenditures would be reimbursed to the County.

**CONTACT NAME:** Sarah Messerlian

PHONE/EMAIL: (760) 932-5405 / smesserlian@mono.ca.gov

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## **COUNTY OF MONO**

P.O. BOX 696, BRIDGEPORT, CALIFORNIA 93517 (760) 932-5410 • FAX (760) 932-5411

Lynda Salcido Interim County Administrative Officer

August XX, 2015

To: Honorable Chair and Members of the Board of Supervisors

From: Sarah Messerlian, Risk Manager

#### **SUBJECT**

Industrial Disability Retirement Resolution for Erin Larrison

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Review and adopt Resolution determining that Erin Larrison is eligible for Industrial Disability Retirement

#### FISCAL IMPACT

The County will process advance disability pension payments from the Risk Management fund in the amount of \$2,573.85 per month until the determination is final with CalPERS, at which time said expenditures would be reimbursed to the County.

#### **DISCUSSION**

CalPERS requires a Board determination regarding the County's position on the disability, or lack thereof, of an employee filing for an industrial disability retirement (IDR) in order to move forward with processing the IDR application. In this case, medical evaluations and reports conclusively establish that Ms. Larrison's shoulder injury prevents her from carrying out her normal duties as a Public Safety Officer. As such, it is appropriate to make the formal finding that she is substantially disabled for purposes of her IDR application.

If you have any questions regarding this item, please call me at (760) 932-5405.



#### **RESOLUTION NO. R15-**

# A RESOLUTION OF THE MONO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DETERMINING THAT ERIN LARRISON IS ELIGIBLE FOR INDUSTRIAL DISABILITY RETIREMENT

**WHEREAS,** the County of Mono (hereinafter referred to as Agency) is a contracting agency of the Public Employee's Retirement System; and

**WHEREAS,** the Public Employee's Retirement Law requires that a contracting agency determine whether an employee of such agency in employment in which she is classified as a local safety member is disabled for purposes of the California Public Employee's Retirement Law and whether such disability is "industrial" within the meaning of such Law; and

WHEREAS, an application for industrial disability retirement of Erin Larrison employed by the Agency in the position of Public Safety Officer has been filed with the California Public Employee's Retirement System; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Mono has reviewed the medical and other evidence relevant to such alleged disability;

# NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONO RESOLVES as follows:

- 1. That the County of Mono does hereby find and determine that Erin Larrison is substantially incapacitated within the meaning of the California Public Employee's Retirement Law for performance of her duties in the position of Public Safety Officer.
- 2. That County of Mono does hereby find and determine that such disability is a result of injury or disease arising out of and in the course of employment. Neither said Erin Larrison nor the agency, County of Mono, has applied to the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board for a determination pursuant to G. C. section 21166 whether such disability is industrial.
- 3. That the member was, or will be, separated from her employment in the position of Public Safety Officer after expiration of her rights under G. C. section 21164, effective April 24, 2015 and no dispute as to the expiration of such leave rights is pending. Her last day on pay status is April 23, 2015.

There is not a possibility of third party liability.

1 2	Advance Disability Pension payments will be made. The payments will be made monthly in the amount of \$2,573.85 beginning April 24, 2015.
3	The primary disabling condition is orthopedic.
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