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AGENDA ITEM

DATE: October 30, 2018

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TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBJECT

SWEETWATER NORTH LOOP TRAIL (DISTRICTS: 1 & 2)

OVERVIEW

Since 2001, the County of San Diego has been pursuing the Sweetwater North Loop Trail, a project that would establish and formalize the northern portion of the trail around the Sweetwater Reservoir. The project will connect to the existing southern portion of the trail so as to eventually allow for non-motorized recreational opportunities completely around the Sweetwater Reservoir, resulting in an 11-mile loop trail. The existing South Trail at the Sweetwater Reservoir currently does not encircle the Reservoir and consequently provides only limited recreational opportunities for the public.

Today's recommendations will allocate \$50,000 of the District 1 Neighborhood Reinvestment Program Budget and \$50,000 of the District 2 Neighborhood Reinvestment Program Budget, for a total of \$100,000, to be used for land surveys of trail alignments, a concept plan, and initial design of the Lakeview staging area, and environmental review including new environmental studies that may be required to properly analyze the trail.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

VICE CHAIRWOMAN JACOB AND SUPERVISOR COX

1. Allocate \$50,000 of District 1 Neighborhood Reinvestment Program Budget (Org 15650) and \$50,000 of District 2 Neighborhood Reinvestment Program Budget (Org 15655), for a total of \$100,000, to the Department of Parks and Recreation (Org 52811) to be used for land surveys of trail alignments, a concept plan, and initial design of the Lakeview staging area, and environmental review including new environmental studies that may be required to properly analyze the trail.
2. Transfer appropriations of \$50,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program Budget (Org 15650) Other Charges and transfer appropriations of \$50,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program Budget (Org 15655) Other Charges to the

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Department of Parks and Recreation (Org 52811), Services & Supplies to be used for land surveys of trail alignments, a concept plan, and initial design of the Lakeview staging area, and environmental review including new environmental studies that may be required to properly analyze the trail.

FISCAL IMPACT

The fiscal impact of these recommendations is \$100,000. Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2018-19 Operational Plan for the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (Org 15650 and Org 15655). The funding source is General Fund fund balance. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ADVISORY BOARD STATEMENT

N/A

BACKGROUND

East of Sweetwater Summit Regional Park lies the Sweetwater Reservoir, formed by the construction of a dam on the Sweetwater River that was completed in 1888. In addition to providing water storage for the Sweetwater Authority, the Reservoir offers visitors a serene and scenic destination.

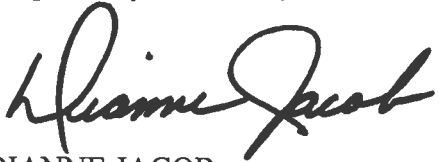
In an effort to improve access for the general public, a trail has been planned in an 11-mile route surrounding the Sweetwater Reservoir. This Sweetwater Loop Trail will link the existing trails in Bonita to those in Spring Valley, offering regional access to open space and recreation and improved public amenities. To date, almost five miles of trails have been constructed along the south side of the Reservoir with an entrance at San Diego County Sweetwater Regional Park off of San Miguel Road in Bonita. However, the existing trail currently does not encircle the Reservoir and consequently provides only limited recreational opportunities for the public.

Since 2001, the County of San Diego has been pursuing the Sweetwater North Loop Trail, which would establish and formalize the northern portion of the Sweetwater Reservoir and complete the Sweetwater Loop Trail. The project will connect to the existing southern portion of the trail so as to eventually allow for non-motorized recreational opportunities completely around the Sweetwater Reservoir, an 11-mile loop trail. Portions of the North Loop Trail are proposed to be constructed on County owned property and on property over which the County has already acquired trail easements. The Neighborhood Reinvestment Program allocations identified in this letter are to be prioritized for trails on these parcels.

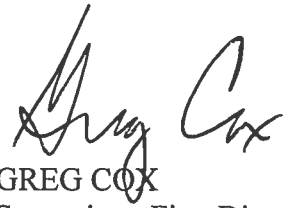
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Respectfully submitted,



DIANNE JACOB
Vice Chairwoman, Second District



GREG COX
Supervisor, First District

ATTACHMENT(S)

N/A

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AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET

REQUIRES FOUR VOTES: Yes No

WRITTEN DISCLOSURE PER COUNTY CHARTER SECTION 1000.1 REQUIRED

Yes No

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOARD ACTIONS:

May 15, 2001 (11), Sweetwater Loop Trail; April 9, 2003 (11), Authorization to Accept and Apply for Various Grant Funded Department of Parks and Recreation Programs and Projects; February 25, 2004 (1), Sweetwater Loop Trail

BOARD POLICIES APPLICABLE:

N/A

BOARD POLICY STATEMENTS:

N/A

MANDATORY COMPLIANCE:

N/A

ORACLE AWARD NUMBER(S) AND CONTRACT AND/OR REQUISITION NUMBER(S):

N/A

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Districts 1 & 2, Board of Supervisors

OTHER CONCURRENCE(S): N/A

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