

AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT

Tuesday, July 17, 2012

C. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

- c. Authorization to Award a Contract to Questa Engineering Corporation and Appropriate Measure WW Funds to Prepare Design and Permit Applications for the Breuner Marsh Restoration and Public Access Project: Point Pinole Regional Shoreline (Olson/Wenninger)

RECOMMENDATION

The General Manager recommends that the Board of Directors authorize the appropriation of \$500,000 Measure WW funds (\$300,000 from Bay Trail and \$200,000 from North Richmond Shoreline allocation areas), and award a contract in the amount of \$400,000 to Questa Engineering Corporation to prepare project design and permit applications for the Breuner Marsh Restoration and Public Access Project at Point Pinole Regional Shoreline.

REVENUE/COST

The current project budget is \$1,000,000, consisting of \$550,000 in Measure WW funds (\$300,000 from Bay Trail and \$250,000 from North Richmond Shoreline allocation areas), \$325,000 in Measure CC funds and \$125,000 in Resource Enhancement Program funds. An additional \$500,000 in Measure WW funds are required to design and permit the project. This will bring the total District appropriation of \$1,500,000. The California Coastal Conservancy will approve a \$1,250,000 grant on August 2, 2012 that will provide funding for project design, permitting and contaminated soil removal. Board authorization is recommended now in order to keep the project on schedule.

EXISTING SOURCE OF FUNDS

Existing Capital Project Budget for Design and Permit Applications
Breuner Marsh Restoration/Point Pinole Regional Shoreline

CIP No. 148000	\$	1,000,000
Less Expenditures and Encumbrances to Date		<u>848,573</u>
Remaining Budget	\$	151,427

PROPOSED APPROPRIATION:

Measure WW

Bay Trail Allocation Area

Project No. I48000WP06 \$ 300,000

North Richmond Allocation Area

Project No. I48000WP43 200,000

Remaining Budget 151,427

Total Funds Available \$ 651,427

PROPOSED USE OF FUNDS

Proposed Questa Contract \$ 400,000

Administration, Miscellaneous 251,427

Total Design and Permit Project Cost \$ 651,427

Encumbrances to Date – Measure CC, Measure WW, and REP \$ 848,573

Total Design and Permit Project Cost 651,427

Total Capital Project Cost \$ 1,500,000

BACKGROUND

On July 3, 2012, by its Resolution No. 2012-07-165, the Board of Directors approved the Breuner Marsh Restoration and Public Access Project at Point Pinole Regional Shoreline in the City of Richmond.

The purpose of the project is to restore and enhance ecological habitats and develop public access. The project will be implemented in two phases over a multi-year period. Construction will be phased in order to minimize disruption of existing special-status species habitats and to obtain the funds necessary to complete an estimated \$8,000,000 project. A similar phased approach was used to restore the Berkeley Meadow at Eastshore State Park.

Phase I is estimated to cost approximately \$4,000,000, which includes design, permitting and construction of initial restoration and public access facilities. Improvements will include restoration of tidal saltmarsh, seasonal wetland and coastal prairie. Recreation improvements will include a staging area, picnic area and construction of new trails.

Phase II is estimated to cost approximately \$4,000,000 for habitat restoration and recreation improvements, including extension of the San Francisco Bay Trail from Goodrick Avenue to the Bay View Trail at Point Pinole. This phase will require construction of new bridges and boardwalks in sensitive habitat areas.

A Request for Proposal was circulated to 37 consulting firms. Questa was selected based on its project team's experience performing ecological restoration and developing public access improvements, competitive labor rates and prior work in the area.

Questa will be preparing project design, specifications and permit applications during a 12-month period. Some construction activities have already commenced, including weed abatement, demolition of structures, debris removal and staging for removal of arsenic

contaminated soil. Major earthwork under Phase I could begin in 2013-2014 if there are no delays in obtaining permits or funding. Phase II is planned for construction in 2014-2015.

ALTERNATIVES

No alternative is recommended.

EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO.: 2012 – 07 -

July 17, 2012

AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO QUESTA ENGINEERING CORPORATION AND APPROPRIATE MEASURE WW FUNDS TO PREPARE DESIGN AND PERMIT APPLICATIONS FOR THE BREUNER MARSH RESTORATION AND PUBLIC ACCESS PROJECT: POINT PINOLE REGIONAL SHORELINE

WHEREAS, the East Bay Regional Park District is seeking to restore ecological habitats and develop recreational facilities consistent with its 1997 Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, restoration of ecological habitats and development of recreational facilities on the Breuner property are identified in the East Bay Regional Park District's 2007 Master Plan Map, and funding was provided for these purposes through Bond Measure WW of 2008; and

WHEREAS, the project was approved by the Board of Directors of the East Bay Regional Park District on July 3, 2012;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the East Bay Regional Park District hereby authorizes and directs the General Manager on behalf of the Park District to award a contract in the amount of \$400,000 to Questa Engineering to provide professional services for design and permitting for the Breuner Marsh Restoration Project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the General Manager is hereby authorized and directed to appropriate and budget \$300,000 from Measure WW Development – Bay Trail allocation area (WPO6) and \$200,000 from Measure WW Development – North Richmond Shoreline allocation area (WPA3) to Breuner Marsh Restoration (CIP No. 148000) as shown on the attached budget change form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the General Manager is hereby authorized and directed, on behalf of the Park District and in its name, to execute and deliver such documents and to do such acts as may be deemed necessary or appropriate to accomplish the intentions of this resolution.

Moved by Director _____, and seconded by Director _____ and adopted this 17th day of July, 2012 by the following vote:

FOR:

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: