



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Parks



Date: October 30, 2013
Board Meeting Date: December 10, 2013
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Marlene Finley, Director of Parks

Subject: San Francisco Public Utilities Commission Memorandum of Understanding for the Crystal Springs Regional Trail

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Director of Parks or her designee to execute in the name of the County of San Mateo a Memorandum of Understanding that defines the terms of acceptance and use of a contribution of \$300,000 for the construction of trail fencing for security and watershed protection purposes on the Crystal Springs Regional Trail South of Dam project.

BACKGROUND:

In 1993, the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) and San Mateo County entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the conveyance of trail easements on the San Francisco Peninsula Watershed from the SFPUC to the County as authorized by SFPUC Resolution No. 92-0303. The San Francisco Board of Supervisors authorized the conveyance of trail easements to San Mateo County under ordinance No. 396-96 and these easements were recorded under Recorder's reference number 97-006566.

San Mateo County has completed San Andreas Trail and San Andreas/Sawyer Camp Trail Connectors as described in the 1993 MOU and subsequent conveyance of easements from SFPUC.

San Mateo County has prepared plans, specifications and permits for two additional trail segments under the MOU: the Crystal Springs Regional Trail South of Dam (South of Dam) and Crystal Springs Regional Trail South of Highway 92 (South of Highway 92).

San Mateo County has requested a contribution of \$300,000 from SFPUC for trail fencing for security and watershed protection purposes for the South of Dam project.

DISCUSSION:

For the South of Dam project, three grants have been fully executed. This \$300,000 contribution for security improvements will provide full project funding. Full funding for the South of Highway 92 project has been secured and federal compliance for two of the three grants will be completed by December 31, 2013. Both projects will be constructed during 2014.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the Resolution as to form.

Approval of this Resolution contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of an Environmentally Conscious Community as construction of additional Crystal Springs Regional Trail sections increases the number and quality of natural experiences for County Park visitors. Each visitor that experiences the County's natural resources gains a greater appreciation of the need for their preservation.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no Net County Cost associated with this Project. The two Crystal Springs Regional Trail projects will be fully funded by grants and the SFPUC's contribution.