

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
BOARD ACTION SUMMARY

DEPT: Parks and Recreation

BOARD AGENDA #: *B-6

AGENDA DATE: February 28, 2017

SUBJECT:

Approval to Apply for, Enter into and Sign Grant Agreements for the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division and the Outdoor Environmental Education Facilities Grant Program

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2017-84

On motion of Supervisor Withrow, Seconded by Supervisor Olsen
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: Olsen, Withrow, Monteith, DeMartini, and Chairman Chiesa

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) Approved as recommended

2) Denied

3) Approved as amended

4) Other:

MOTION:

ATTEST:


ELIZABETH A. KING, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

File No.

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
AGENDA ITEM**

DEPT: Parks and Recreation

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AGENDA DATE: February 28, 2017

CEO CONCURRENCE: *phx*

4/5 Vote Required: Yes No

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SUBJECT:

Approval to Apply for, Enter into and Sign Grant Agreements for the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division and the Outdoor Environmental Education Facilities Grant Program

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation, or designee, to apply for, and if awarded enter into and sign the grant agreements for the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division grants Program for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.
2. Authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation, or designee, to apply for, and if awarded enter into and sign grant agreements for the Outdoor Environmental Education Facilities Grant for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.
3. Adopt a Resolution to authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation to apply for, sign, and accept an Off-Highway Vehicle grant from the California Department of Parks and Recreation for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 for development, maintenance, administration, and related activities at the Frank Raines and La Grange Regional Parks.
4. Adopt a Resolution to authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation to apply for, sign, and accept the of State of California, Department of Parks and Recreation, Office of Grants and Local Services Outdoor Environmental Education Facilities Grant for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

DISCUSSION:

The Department of Parks and Recreation (Department) has routine and long-standing grant agreements with California Department of Parks and Recreation. The Department is requesting that the Director be authorized to apply for State grants, enter into and sign agreements for those funds, and accept awards of these funds for Budget Year 2017-2018.

The following is a listing of anticipated agreements for Budget Year 2017-2018.

Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division Grants

California's Off-Highway Motor Vehicle (OHV) Recreation Program was created in 1971 out of the critical need to better manage the growing demands for off-highway recreation, while at the same time fostering respect for private property rights and protecting the State's natural and cultural resources. The Program was enhanced by the OHV Motor Vehicle Recreation Act of 2003, and is currently the largest and most successful program of its type in the entire country.

Approval to Apply for, Enter into and Sign Grant Agreements for the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division and the Outdoor Environmental Education Facilities Grant Program

The Recreation Division's Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program supports the planning, acquisition, development, maintenance, administration, operation, enforcement, restoration, and conservation of trails, trailheads areas, and other facilities associated with the use of off-highway motor vehicles, and programs involving off-highway motor vehicle safety or education. Program funding comes from fuel taxes which are attributable to the recreational use of off-highway vehicles, off-highway vehicle registration fees, and fees collected at State vehicular recreation areas. This program provides for well-managed OHV recreation in the State by providing financial assistance to cities, counties, districts, Federal agencies, State agencies, educational institutions, federally recognized Native American Tribes, and nonprofit entities.

Funding is used for a wide range of projects for both La Grange and Frank Raines Regional Parks. Projects include but are not limited to fencing repair and maintenance, signage, labor, purchasing office supplies and small equipment, equipment rentals, water system testing and maintenance, utilities, and administrative overhead. For Budget Year 2017-2018, approximately \$400,000 is anticipated to be available to the County for Frank Raines Regional Park and approximately \$250,000 is anticipated to be available for La Grange Regional Park. In Fiscal Year 2016-2017 the Department was awarded \$345,250 for Frank Raines Regional Park and \$218,928 for La Grange Regional Park.

The Outdoor Environmental Education Facilities Grant Program

On March 5, 2002, voters passed Proposition 40 by 56.8%, the \$2.6 billion "California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002" (2002 Resources Bond). The passage of Proposition 40 provided funds for local assistance grants as set forth in Public Resources Code (PRC) §5096.600 through §5096.683.

The California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks, and Coastal Protection Act of 2002 is intended to acquire and develop properties of the state park system, to acquire and develop neighborhood, community, and regional parks and recreational areas, for land, air, and water conservation programs, including acquisition for those purposes, and to acquire, restore, preserve and interpret California's historical and cultural resources.

The Outdoor Environmental Education Facilities Competitive Program intention is to provide assistance to state and local agencies and community-based organizations with regard to the development of outdoor environmental education facilities. The maximum grant request is \$500,000. The eligible projects include the development of public outdoor education facilities, structures and exhibits. Development must be outdoors, in a natural setting with native vegetation. Amenities may provide outdoor education on their own (such as signs, kiosks, nature trails), or consist of outdoor structures that facilitate providing outdoor education (such as campfire centers, amphitheaters, and group campgrounds).

The Department is interested in providing outdoor education at both Woodward Reservoir and Modesto Reservoir and is looking into the opportunities for using up to \$500,000 in grant funds for each project. Projects that are currently under consideration include group camping sites with amenities and outdoor educational kiosks.

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POLICY ISSUE:

The Board of Supervisors' approval is required to apply for, enter into, and sign grant applications and agreements.

FISCAL IMPACT:

State agreements detailed in this item represent approximately \$1,650,000 in revenue for the Department of Parks and Recreation for Budget Year 2017-2018. Revenue estimates are included in each grant discussion. If approved, revenue estimates and appropriations associated with these state agreements will be submitted in Budget Year 2017-2018 Proposed Budget or a subsequent quarterly budget adjustment interval, if necessary due to the timing of the receipt of grant funds.

Cost of recommended action:		\$ 1,650,000
Source(s) of Funding:		
Off Highway Vehicle Grants	\$ 650,000	
Outdoor Environmental Education Facilities Grants	1,000,000	
Funding Total:		\$ 1,650,000
Net Cost to County General Fund		\$ -

Fiscal Year:	2017-2018
Budget Adjustment/Appropriations needed:	No

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PRIORITY:

The recommended actions support the Board's priorities of Effective Partnerships, A Well Planned Infrastructure System, and A Healthy Community by providing special recreation facilities and events to County residents and visitors through partnerships with organizations that provide grant funding resources for maintenance, operations, and development of public outdoor environmental education amenities, structures and exhibits.

STAFFING IMPACT:

Funding provided through state agreements support current staffing levels to perform these functions.

CONTACT PERSON:

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ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Off-Highway Vehicle Resolution
2. Outdoor Environmental Education Facilities Resolution

Attachment 1:

**Off-Highway Vehicle
Resolution**

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

2017-84(a)

Date: February 28, 2017

On motion of Supervisor Withrow Seconded by Supervisor Olsen
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: Olsen, Withrow, Monteith, DeMartini and Chairman Chiesa

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

Item # *B-6

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED:

**APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE GRANT FUNDS**

WHEREAS, The People of the State of California have enacted the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Act of 2003, which provides funds to the State of California and its political subdivisions for Operations and Maintenance, Restoration, Law Enforcement, and Education and Safety for off-highway vehicle recreation; and,

WHEREAS, the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division with the California Department of Parks and Recreation has been delegated the responsibility to administer the program; and,

WHEREAS, procedures established by the California Department of Parks and Recreation require the Applicant's Governing Body to certify by resolution the approval of the Application to apply for Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Grant funds; and,

WHEREAS, this Project appears on, or is in conformance with this jurisdiction's adopted general or master plan and is compatible with the land use plans for those jurisdictions immediately surrounding the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Stanislaus, State of California hereby:

1. Approves the filing of an Application(s) for an Off-Highway Vehicle Grant or Cooperative Agreement; and,
2. Certifies that this agency understands its legal obligations to the State upon approval of the Grant; and,

3. Certifies that this agency understands the California Public Resources Code requirement that Acquisition and Development Projects be maintained to specific conservation standards; and,
4. Certifies that the Project will be well-maintained during its useful life; and,
5. Certifies that this agency will implement the Project with diligence once funds are available and the Applicant has reviewed, understands, and agrees with the Project Agreement; and,
6. Certifies that this agency will provide the required matching funds; and,
7. Certifies that the public and adjacent property owners have been notified of this Project (as applicable); and,
8. Appoints the Director of Parks and Recreation, or designee, as agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for completion of the Project.

ATTEST: ELIZABETH A. KING, Clerk
Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors,
State of California



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Attachment 2:

Outdoor Environmental Education Facilities Resolution

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

2017-84(b)

Date: February 28, 2017

On motion of Supervisor Withrow Seconded by Supervisor Olsen
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: Olsen, Withrow, Monteith, DeMartini and Chairman Chiesa

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

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THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED:

**APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR THE OUTDOOR ENVIRONMENTAL
EDUCATION FACILITIES GRANT FUNDS**

WHEREAS, the State Department of Parks and Recreation has been delegated the responsibility by the Legislature of the State of California for the administration of the Outdoor Environmental Education Facilities Grant Program, setting up necessary procedures governing the application; and,

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the State Department of Parks and Recreation require the Applicant to certify by resolution the approval of the application before submission of said application to the State; and,

WHEREAS, successful Applicants will enter into a contract with the State of California to complete the Grant Scope project.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the BOARD OF SUPERVISORS of the County of Stanislaus, State of California, hereby:

1. Approves the filing of an application for the Modesto Reservoir and Woodward Reservoir Projects; and,
2. Certifies that said Applicant has or will have available, prior to commencement of any work on the project included in this application, the sufficient funds to complete the project; and,
3. Certifies that if the project is awarded the Applicant has or will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project; and,
4. Certifies that the Applicant has reviewed, understands, and agrees to the General Provisions contained in the contract shown in the Grant Administration Guide; and,

5. Delegates the authority to the Director of Parks and Recreation, or designee, to conduct all negotiations, sign and submit all documents, including, but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, and payment requests, which may be necessary for the completion of the Grant Scope; and,

6. Agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and guidelines.

ATTEST: ELIZABETH A. KING, Clerk
Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors,
State of California



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