



## COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.

**C-12**

For the meeting of: July 28, 2015

Date: July 7, 2015

To: Board of Supervisors

From: N Thomas K. Mattson, Public Works Director

Subject: North Coast Resource Partnership 2015 Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Implementation Project and Appointment of Paul Helliker to the North Coast Resource Partnership Technical Peer Review Committee

### RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopts the attached resolution authorizing the Public Works Director to submit an application to the California Department of Water Resources on behalf of the North Coast Resource Partnership for the 2015 Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation Grant Program, and delegating signature authority to the Director; and
2. Appoints Paul Helliker to fill the vacancy in one of Humboldt County's two seats on the North Coast Resource Partnership Technical Peer Review Committee.

SOURCE OF FUNDING: State of California, Department of Water Resources, Proposition 84 Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation Grant Program.

### DISCUSSION:

Humboldt County participates in the North Coast Resource Partnership which is a regional collaboration with the counties of Del Norte, Mendocino, Modoc, Siskiyou, Sonoma, and Trinity and the tribal governments within these seven counties. The North Coast Resource Partnership

Prepared by Hank Seemann

CAO Approval Cheryl D. Higgins

#### REVIEW:

Auditor \_\_\_\_\_ County Counsel Sm Human Resources \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

#### TYPE OF ITEM:

☒ Consent  
☐ Departmental  
☐ Public Hearing  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

#### PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. C-1

Meeting of: May 27, 2014

#### BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

Upon motion of Supervisor Bass Seconded by Supervisor Lovelace

Ayes Lovelace, Fennell, Bahn, Bass

Nays \_\_\_\_\_

Abstain \_\_\_\_\_

Absent Sundberg

and carried by those members present, the Board hereby approves the recommended action contained in this Board report.

Dated: July 28, 2015

By: Kathy Hayes

Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board



coordinates the planning and implementation of projects throughout the region related to water supply and water quality, energy conservation and independence, and healthy economies, communities, and watersheds. Emphasis is given to benefiting economically disadvantaged communities. Since 2006, Humboldt County has served as the regional administrating agency and has managed nearly \$50 million in grants issued to the North Coast Resource Partnership by state agencies with funding from Proposition 50, Proposition 84, and other sources. Grant administration work is performed by the Natural Resources Planning division of Public Works.

The North Coast Resource Partnership is governed by a Policy Review Panel which includes two representatives appointed by each participating County's Board of Supervisors and three representatives appointed by North Coast tribes. Humboldt County is represented on the Policy Review Panel by Supervisors Sundberg and Lovelace. In addition, a Technical Peer Review Committee advises the Policy Review Panel and provides technical review and evaluation for project funding proposals. Humboldt County is represented on the Technical Peer Review Committee by Hank Seemann, Deputy-Director of Public Works and Carol Rische, Executive Director for the Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District. Ms. Rische is stepping down from this committee due to her retirement from the Water District. Supervisors Sundberg and Lovelace have indicated their support for nominating Paul Helliker, Ms. Rische's replacement at the Water District, to fill the vacant seat on the Technical Peer Review Committee. Mr. Helliker is particularly well-qualified for this committee as a former chairman of the nine-county Bay Area Integrated Regional Water Management planning group as well as a former Deputy-Director with the Department of Water Resources.

The North Coast region was allocated a total of \$37 million for implementation projects from Proposition 84, the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006. A total of approximately \$26 million have previously been allocated over three funding rounds for projects related to water supply reliability, drought preparedness, wastewater system improvement, and watershed restoration. Humboldt County serves as the applicant and grant recipient and then enters into sub-grantee agreements with project proponents who implement the projects throughout the seven-county region. Entities located within Humboldt County who have previously received Proposition 84 funds through the North Coast Resource Partnership include City of Rio Dell, Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District, Karuk Tribe, Mattole Restoration Council, Sanctuary Forest, Westhaven Community Services District, Willow Creek Community Services District, and the Yurok Tribe.

In May 2015, the California Department of Water Resources released guidelines and the proposal solicitation package for the final round of implementation funding under Proposition 84. Applications are due on August 7, 2015. The North Coast Resource Partnership is preparing an application with 25 projects for a total grant amount of \$11 million. The recommended suite of projects include projects with the Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria, Hoopa Valley Tribe, Humboldt County Resource Conservation District, Mattole Restoration Council, Sanctuary Forest, Shelter Cove Resort Improvement District, Weott Community Services District, Westhaven Community Services District, and the Yurok Tribe. As the applicant to the 2015 Integrated Regional Water Management Program on behalf of the North Coast Resource Partnership, a resolution (attached) by your Board is required for the grant application.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The requested action has no financial impact to the County's General Fund. If the grant application is approved, the Natural Resources Planning Division will receive \$552,397 to cover the cost of grant administration. Depending on the timing of when the grant agreement is executed, a supplemental budget request will be processed for Fiscal Year 2015-16 or the funding will be incorporated into the Fiscal Year 2016-17 budget.

The recommended action conforms to the Board of Supervisors' Core Roles of providing for and maintaining infrastructure, creating opportunities for improved safety and health, and protecting vulnerable populations, as identified in the Board of Supervisors' 2015 Strategic Framework.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Department of Water Resources, North Coast Resource Partnership Counties (Del Norte, Mendocino, Modoc, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Trinity) along with tribal governments in the seven-county region.

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Board discretion

ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution 15-81 authorizing the Director of Public Works to submit an application to the California Department of Water Resources to obtain a 2015 Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation Grant pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 on behalf of the North Coast Resource Partnership



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
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RESOLUTION NO. 15-81

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES TO OBTAIN A 2015 INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT IMPLEMENTATION GRANT PURSUANT TO THE SAFE DRINKING WATER, WATER QUALITY AND SUPPLY, FLOOD CONTROL, RIVER AND COASTAL PROTECTION BOND ACT OF 2006 ON BEHALF OF THE NORTH COAST RESOURCE PARTNERSHIP**

**WHEREAS**, in 2004 the Board of Supervisors entered into a Memorandum of Mutual Understandings to participate in the development of a North Coast Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (NCIRWMP); and

**WHEREAS**, in 2006 the NCIRWMP Policy Review Panel unanimously appointed the County of Humboldt to act as the administrating agency for NCIRWMP grants; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2013 the NCIRWMP was re-named the North Coast Resource Partnership; and

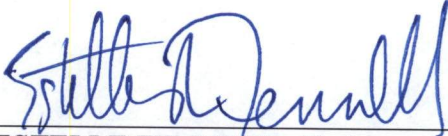
**WHEREAS**, the County of Humboldt is eligible to submit an application to the State of California, Department of Water Resources Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Implementation Grant Program; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2010, 2011, 2013, and 2014, the County of Humboldt applied for and received funding for a Proposition 84 Planning Grant, Proposition 84 Round 1 Implementation Grant, Proposition 84 Round 2 Implementation Grant, and Proposition 84 Drought Expedited Implementation Grant on behalf of the NCIRWMP/North Coast Resource Partnership.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT:**

1. Application be made to the California Department of Water Resources to obtain a 2015 IRWM Grant pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Public Resources Code Section 75001 *et seq.*), and to enter into an agreement to receive a grant for the North Coast Resource Partnership 2015 IRWM Implementation Project. The Director of Public Works is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary data, conduct investigations, file such application, and execute a grant agreement and any amendments thereto (after review and approval by County Counsel and Risk Management) with the California Department of Water Resources.

Dated: July 28, 2015

  
ESTELLE FENNELL, Chair  
Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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**RESOLUTION NO. 15-81**


Adopted on motion by Supervisor Bass, seconded by Supervisor Lovelace, and the following vote:

AYES:	Supervisors	Lovelace, Fennell, Bohn, Bass
NAYS:	Supervisors	--
ABSENT:	Supervisors	Sundberg
ABSTAIN:	Supervisors	--

STATE OF CALIFORNIA    )  
County of Humboldt     )

I, KATHY HAYES, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Humboldt, State of California, do hereby certify the foregoing to be an original made in the above-entitled matter by said Board of Supervisors at a meeting held in Eureka, California.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Board of Supervisors.

  
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By ANA HARTWELL  
Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the  
County of Humboldt, State of California