

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 6/11/2019

File #: 19-883

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Supervisor Estelle Fennell

Agenda Section: Consent

SUBJECT:

Letter of Support for Eel River Recovery Project (ERRP) Grant Proposal (Supervisor Estelle Fennell)

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Authorize the Chair to sign the letter of support.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

DISCUSSION:

The Eel River Recovery Project (ERRP) is a nonprofit organization whose mission is "To empower communities to collaborate in monitoring the ecological conditions of the Eel River. To share information about the health of the watershed and to work together to formulate and implement a restoration strategy". They work together with many local businesses, agencies, institutions, tribes, and other non-profit organization to fulfil their mission.

The ERRP has recently submitted a grant proposal to the State Water Resource Control Board (SWRCB) for support of their proposed work in the remote Middle Eel River watershed. Their plan includes helping local residents, including cannabis farmers, conserve water and adopt best agricultural practices. This effort will reduce water pollution and stream flow depletion.

SWRCB has funded efforts of the ERRP in both 2015 and 2016. This new proposal would continue their work on one of the most challenging areas in the Eel River watershed for regulation and enforcement. Therefore, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors would like to send a letter of support for the ERRP and this beneficial project.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

N/A

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STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by managing our resources to ensure sustainability of services

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

N/A

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Board discretion

ATTACHMENTS:

Letter of Support

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: N/A

Meeting of: N/A File No.: N/A