

#### COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.

M-1

For the meeting of: May 24, 2016

Date:

May 18, 2016

To:

Board of Supervisors

From:

Supervisor Mark Lovelace

Subject:

Updates on the Annie & Mary Trail and the June 4, 2016 Trails Summit, and

Supplemental Budget for Bicycles & Trailways Program (1710715), (4/5 Vote

Required)

#### RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Receives an update from Public Works on planning for the Annie & Mary Trail and discussions with the Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District regarding a potential nexus with the Water District's pipeline project across the Mad River near Glendale;
- 2. Receives an update regarding the Trails Summit event scheduled for June 4, 2016;
- 3. Adopts the following supplemental budget for FY 2015-16:

Revenue: 1710715-621020

Services for Other Agencies

\$30,000

Expenditure:

1710715-2118

Professional & Special Services

\$27,000

1710715-3928

**Expense Transfers** 

\$3,000

SOURCE OF FUNDING: Bicycles & Trailways Program (1710715); Humboldt County Association of Governments

#### DISCUSSION:

The Annie & Mary Trail is a proposed multi-use trail connecting the cities of Blue Lake and Arcata along a route following the former Arcata & Mad River Railroad line, currently owned by the North

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REVIEW:			
Auditor	County Counsel	Personnel	Risk Manager Other
TYPE OF ITEM:			BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
Consent Departmental Public Hearing XX Other Board Initiated (15 min) PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:			Upon motion of Supervisor Fennell Seconded by Supervisor Bass Ayes Sundberg, Fennell, Lovelace, Bohn, Bass Nays Abstain Absent
Board Order No			
Meeting of:			and carried by those members present, the Board hereby approves the recommended action contained in this Board report.
			Dated: May 24, 2016  By:  Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board

Coast Railroad Authority. Since 2011, Public Works has been collaborating with the Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCAOG), City of Blue Lake, Friends of the Annie & Mary Trail, and other stakeholders in an effort to advance the planning for this trail, which has been a regional goal for nearly 20 years. In 2012, Public Works completed an engineering study of the railroad bridge crossing the Mad River at Glendale to evaluate the potential for rehabilitating the bridge and upgrading it for use as a trail crossing. At that time, there were also initial discussions with the Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District (Water District) regarding the concept of coordinating the development of a trail crossing in conjunction with the Water District's project to replace the existing water supply pipeline which is attached to the railroad bridge. This concept was re-visited at the Water District's board meeting on May 12, 2016, as the Water District is preparing to make a decision on the scope of their pipeline replacement project. Public Works will provide an update on discussions with the Water District and other planning efforts related to the Annie & Mary Trail.

Public Works, HCOAG, the Humboldt Trails Council, and Redwood Community Action Agency are sponsoring a Trails Summit event on the morning of Saturday, June 4, 2016, at the Wharfinger Building in Eureka. The event includes a meet-and-greet gathering (9:30 to 10 am), a program with speakers from local public agencies and the Volunteer Trail Stewards (10 to 11 am), and an open house (11 am to noon). The Trails Summit is intended to celebrate the progress by various agencies and organizations in advancing trail projects throughout the county, and provide updates on projects currently in development. There will also be information on opportunities for the public to get involved in supporting trails and expansion of the local trail network.

This item includes a supplemental budget request to incorporate funds provided by HCAOG to Public Works for (1) coordination of the Trails Summit (\$5,000), and (2) sponsoring a preliminary analysis of the potential for trail projects between Eureka and the Eel River Valley (\$25,000).

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The proposed actions will not impact the General Fund. The supplemental budget incorporates a total of \$30,000 in funds being provided by HCAOG for specified tasks.

The requested action will advance two of the Board of Supervisors' core roles: providing for and maintaining infrastructure, and creating opportunities for improved safety and health.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT: Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District, HCAOG

<u>ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS</u>: Board discretion

ATTACHMENTS: Flier for June 4, 2016 Trails Summit

# TRAILS FROM THE MOUNTAINS TO THE BAY





















## Saturday JUNE 4

10 - 11am

9:30 - 10 am | Meet & Greet **Program** 11 - 12pm | Open House

**Wharfinger Building** 1 Marina Way, Eureka

Family-friendly, supervised activities: face painting, photo booth, and more!

### **Program Topics**

- Humboldt Bay Trail updates
- Local trail project info from Arcata to Fortuna and beyond
- Volunteer and trail stewardship opportunities
- Discover new trails

For more information visit: Facebook.com/HumboldtTrailsCouncil













