



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.

D-21

For the meeting of: October 4, 2016

Date: September 20, 2016

To: Board of Supervisors

From:  Thomas K. Mattson, Public Works Director

Subject: Resolution Authorizing the Director of Public Works to Submit a Grant Application to the California Urban Rivers Grant Program for the McKay Community Forest Phase II Project

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors authorize the attached resolution and direct the Clerk of the Board to forward a fully executed copy to the Director of Public Works.

SOURCE OF FUNDING: California Natural Resources Agency – California Urban Rivers Grant Program (Proposition 1)

DISCUSSION:

In August 2014, the county used federal and state funds to acquire 1,000 acres of forestland near Cutten to establish the McKay Community Forest, in collaboration with The Trust for Public Land (TPL), Green Diamond Resource Company, and City of Eureka. This acquisition was considered Phase 1 of a multi-phase project. TPL and the county have been working to secure additional funds for a Phase 2 acquisition to expand the southerly boundary near Ridgewood Heights (Figure 1). The current target for Phase 2 is approximately 190 acres. Completion of Phase 2 would benefit the community forest by expanding the area available for public access, providing a larger land base for timber harvest revenues, and simplifying management of the

Prepared by Hank Seemann

CAO Approval



REVIEW:

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

TYPE OF ITEM:

- Consent
- Departmental
- Public Hearing
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

Upon motion of Supervisor Sundberg Seconded by Supervisor Bass

Ayes Sundberg, Fennell, Lovelace, Bohm, Bass

- Nays \_\_\_\_\_
- Abstain \_\_\_\_\_
- Absent \_\_\_\_\_


PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. C-34

Meeting of: June 28, 2016

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

Dated: Oct. 4, 2016

By:   
Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board

road and trail network.

An amount of \$400,000 has been committed for the Phase 2 acquisition by the U.S. Forest Service through their Community Forest and Open Space Conservation Program, contingent upon securing at least the same amount in matching funds. On June 28, 2016, the Board approved Resolution No. 16-77 which authorized a grant application for matching funds from the Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation (EEM) Program administered by the California Natural Resources Agency. Results for this EEM cycle will be announced in early 2017.

To optimize the likelihood of a successful project, Public Works recommends submitting an application to the California Urban Rivers Grant Program, which announced a funding cycle in June 2016. The attached resolution authorizes a grant application to this program.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The proposed action has no direct financial impact. If the grant application is selected for funding, TPL will pay for the updated appraisal and any outstanding closing costs.

The financial impact for establishing the community forest was discussed at the April 15, 2014 Board meeting (item M-1). Projections for revenues and costs were developed based on the assumption of no new encumbrance to the General Fund. The community forest is a working forest that will have periodic revenues from timber harvest.

The proposed action conforms to the Board of Supervisors core role of creating opportunities for improved safety and health and the Board's priority of managing our resources to ensure sustainability of services.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

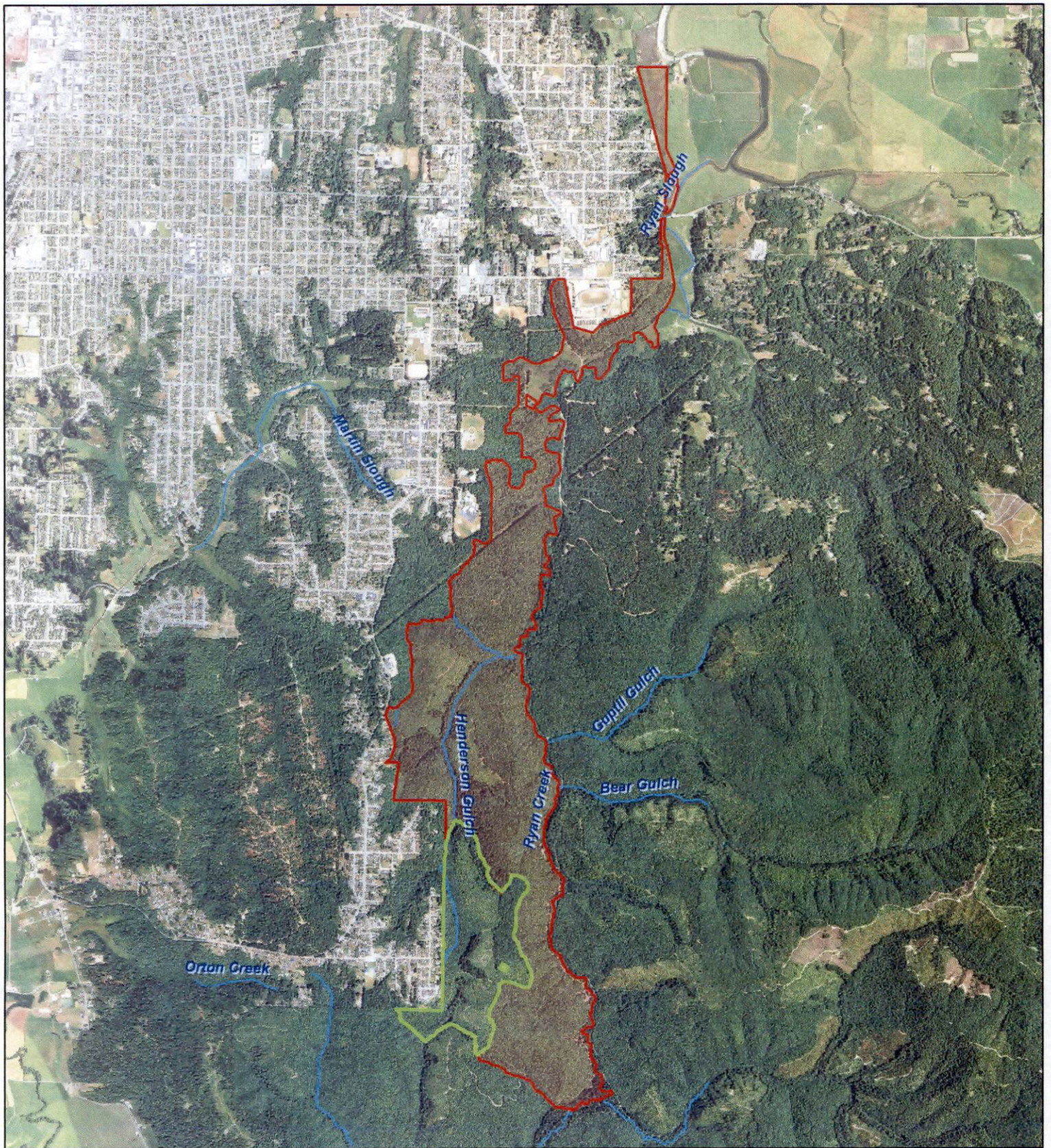
California Natural Resources Agency

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Board discretion

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Figure 1
2. Resolution



- Phase 2 (Proposed)
- McKay Community Forest (Existing)

**Proposed Phase 2 Acquisition  
(190 acres)**



Map Prepared: September 20, 2016  
 Humboldt County Public Works  
 Imagery: USDA NAIP (2014)

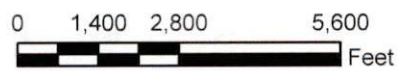


Figure 1

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

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RESOLUTION NO. 16-116

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS TO THE CALIFORNIA URBAN RIVERS GRANT PROGRAM UNDER THE WATER QUALITY, SUPPLY, AND INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2014 (PROPOSITION 1) FOR THE MCKAY COMMUNITY FOREST PHASE II PROJECT**

**WHEREAS**, the Legislature and Governor of the State of California have provided Funds for the program shown above; and

**WHEREAS**, the California Natural Resources Agency has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of this grant program, establishing necessary procedures; and

**WHEREAS**, said procedures established by the California Natural Resources Agency require a resolution certifying the approval of an application by the Applicant's governing board before submission of said application to the State; and

**WHEREAS**, the Applicant, if selected, will enter into an agreement with the State of California to carry out the Project.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors:

1. Approves the filing of an application for the McKay Community Forest Phase II Project;
2. Certifies that Applicant understands the assurances and certification in the application;
3. Certifies that Applicant or title holder will have sufficient Funds to operate and maintain the Project consistent with the land tenure requirements; or will secure the resources to do so;
4. Certifies that Applicant will comply with all provisions of Section 1771.5 of the California Labor Code;
5. If applicable, certifies that the project will comply with any laws and regulations including, but not limited to, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), legal requirements for building codes, health and safety codes, disabled access laws, and, that prior to commencement of construction, all applicable permits will have been obtained;
6. Certifies that Applicant will work towards the State Planning Priorities intended to promote equity, strengthen the economy, protect the environment, and promote public health and safety as included in Government Code Section 65041.1; and
7. Appoints the Public Works Director, or designee, as agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications, agreements, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned Project.

Dated: October 4, 2016



MARK LOVELACE, Chair  
Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

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RESOLUTION NO. 16-116


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

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