COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

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6/14/2022	1	Board of Supervisors	approved	Pass

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Public Works

Agenda Section: Consent

SUBJECT:
First Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding between Humboldt Trails Council and County of Humboldt

RECOMMENDATION(S):
That the Board of Supervisors:
1. Approve, and authorize the Public Works Director to execute, the attached first amendment to the memorandum of understanding between the Humboldt Trails Council and the County of Humboldt; and
2. Authorize a contribution of $3,000 to the Humboldt Trails Council from the Parks & Recreation budget unit for purchase of a flail mower to benefit local agencies.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:
Parks & Recreation (1100713)

DISCUSSION:
On Feb. 25, 2020, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors approved the attached memorandum of understanding ("MOU") (Attachment 1) with the Humboldt Trails Council regarding implementation of the Volunteer Trail Stewards program on county-maintained trails. The MOU was executed on March 17, 2020. The Humboldt Trails Council subsequently pursued a fundraising project to purchase

specialized mowing equipment (called a flail mower) that would be shared by local agencies in the management of local parks and trails. The total cost of the flail mower is approximately $68,200, making it very difficult for local agencies to purchase this equipment independently. The Humboldt Trails Council received donations and contributions from the Rotary Club of Eureka, Mad River Rotary Club, Hansen Family Fund, City of Eureka, City of Arcata, McKinleyville Community Services District, Coast Central Credit Union, and the Humboldt Bay Trail Fund (Attachment 2). The Humboldt Trails Council will purchase the equipment and loan it out to the public agencies who contributed to its purchase. Humboldt County Public Works envisions that the flail mower will be utilized within Humboldt County Parks, on the Hammond Trail, on the future Humboldt Bay Trail South segment, and within the McKay Community Forest.

Humboldt County Public Works recommends that the Board of Supervisors approve, and authorize the Public Works Director to execute, the attached amendment to the MOU with the Humboldt Trails Council (Attachment 3). This amendment contains provisions for the use of the flail mower that will be purchased by the Humboldt Trails Council.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
The proposed expenditure is $3,000 which will leverage the use of a piece of equipment that costs $68,200. The Parks & Recreation budget (1100713-2112) for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 has sufficient funds for this expenditure.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:
This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by providing for and maintaining infrastructure and facilitating public/private partnerships to solve problems.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:
None

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:
The Board could choose not to approve the attached first amendment to the memorandum of understanding with the Humboldt Trails Council. This action is not recommended because it would likely result in a reduction in the level of maintenance on county-maintained parks and trails.

ATTACHMENTS:
1   Memorandum of Understanding between Humboldt Trails Council and County of Humboldt (March 17, 2020)
2   First Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding between Humboldt Trails Council and County of Humboldt
3   Flail Mower Funding Plan

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:
Board Order No.: K-1
Meeting of: February 25, 2020

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