THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

and for Special Districts, Agencies and Authorities Governed by the Board

Adopted this Resolution on 04/12/2016 by the following vote:

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Resolution No. 2016/326

RESOLUTION OF THE CONTRA COSTA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SUPPORTING THE CONCEPT OF A MARSH CREEK CORRIDOR MULTI-USE TRAIL THAT CONNECTS THE DELTA TO MOUNT DIABLO AND NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES

WHEREAS, Marsh Creek Road is a major thoroughfare that connects Central Contra Costa County and East Contra Costa County and is the gateway to 110,000 acres of open space and recreational areas managed by the East Bay Regional Park District, Contra Costa Water District, State Parks and other local jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, a significant number of bicycle trips take place on Marsh Creek Road, in spite of the lack of a bicycle path or a dedicated lane; and

WHEREAS, Marsh Creek Road within Clayton has an existing Class II bicycle lane, which connects to Clayton's extensive trail network into Concord and Mount Diablo State Park; and

WHEREAS, in East Contra Costa County, the Marsh Creek Trail currently runs from the Big Break Regional Shoreline in Oakley to the southern city limits of the City of Brentwood, leaving a gap between that terminus and trails in the City of Clayton; and

WHEREAS, the completed multi-use trail would create a new major non-motorized east-west thoroughfare for expanded and safer commuting and recreational opportunities, would provide non-motorized access to Downtown Clayton, Diablo View Middle School, Mount Diablo State Park, Round Valley Regional Preserve, and the Marsh Creek Trail through Brentwood and Oakley; and

WHEREAS, once this trail and adjacent trails are completed, there will be one continuous non-motorized route from Central Contra Costa County to the Delta; and

WHEREAS, improved access to separated trails, of the type proposed, are consistently shown to substantially increase use of non-motorized modes of travel relative to facilities in the shared roadway; and

WHEREAS, construction of the trail could be performed in conjunction with restoration of Marsh Creek, as anticipated in the East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservation Plan / Natural Community Conservation Plan and be constructed in a sensitive manner that reflects the scenic and natural resources of the area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the CONTRA COSTA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS will support exploration of the concept of the Marsh Creek Corridor Multi-Use Trail, and will support efforts to identify and secure funding for this project, including study and potential implementation, in local, state, and federal transportation, recreation, park and open space funding efforts.

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown

ATTESTED: April 12, 2016

David J. Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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