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Mr. John Cunningham
Senior Transportation Planner
Department of Conservation & Development
30 Muir Road
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October 11, 2016

RE: Request for \$450,000 of Navy Mitigation Funds for Bay Point Waterfront Park Access Improvements

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

The East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) is requesting \$450,000 in Navy Mitigation funds to improve park access at Bay Point Regional Shoreline Park.

In 1989, Contra Costa County received funding from the Navy to mitigate the loss of pedestrian, cyclist, and vehicular access to the Port Chicago Highway in the Naval Weapons Station. The Navy Mitigation Expenditure Plan 2008 Update sets aside \$450,000 for “Bay Point Waterfront Park Access Improvements.” In accordance with the expenditure plan, the East Bay Regional Park District is moving forward with implementing significant public access improvements at the Bay Point Shoreline.

Public Access Goals include developing potable water to the staging area, installing an ADA accessible drinking faucet, upgrading restrooms to ADA accessible flush toilets, fishing access improvements, Harrier Trail accessibility and climate change resiliency improvements, and construction of a non-motorized watercraft launch at the “J- channel” north of the existing staging area, see proposed budget below.

Waterfront Park Access Improvements		
Task #	Description	Cost
1	Harrier Trail ADA Upgrades and Wetland Overlook	\$125,000
3	Potable Water, ADA Drinking Fountain & Restroom	\$225,000
4	Shade Structures	\$50,000
5	Project Design and Administration	\$50,000
	TOTAL	\$450,000

EBRPD is seeking to enter into a cooperative funding agreement with Contra Costa for these funds as soon as possible. EBRPD is moving forward initial public access improvements including the shade structures and potable water in early 2017. A contract has been awarded to a design and permitting consultant; construction of trail and restroom ADA upgrades would be completed in 2018-2019. A draft cooperative funding agreement is attached for your review. Please contact me if you have any questions at (510) 544-2204 or tmargulici@ebparks.org.

Sincerely,

Tiffany Margulici
Grants Manager

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