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County

To: Board of Supervisors
From: Julia R. Bueren, Public Works Director/Chief Engineer
Date: October 25, 2016

Subject: Recognize Walnut Creek Intermediate School's contributions to the first Creek and Channel Safety Awareness Week. (District IV)

RECOMMENDATION(S):

ADOPT Resolution No. 2016/583 recognizing Walnut Creek Intermediate School for their contributions towards developing the County's first Creek and Channel Safety Awareness Week, held October 19–23, 2015.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact

BACKGROUND:

On March 1, 2011, the Board of Supervisors directed the Contra Costa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (FC District) to develop a sustainable and impactful outreach program to promote creek and channel safety throughout the County, after the drowning of two high school students in the Walnut Creek channel. In response, the FC District formed a Creek and Channel Safety Awareness Program (CCSAP) team that developed a strategy to achieve this goal.

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **10/25/2016** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
Mary N. Piepho, District III Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

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: October 25, 2016

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

By: Stephanie Mello, Deputy

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Over a year ago, District staff approached Walnut Creek Intermediate School administration regarding a partnership to have a team of students develop a week long outreach program with the “Stay Out, Stay Alive!” message. They agreed, allowing us to work with their leadership

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

class to help develop and implement events for students that would raise student awareness of the “Stay Out, Stay Alive!” campaign. The highly successful program engaged hundreds of students in such activities as a poster competition and trivia contest, and it received positive local news coverage including several student interviews. This occurred the week of October 19–23, 2015 as part of our annual Creek and Channel Safety Month.

We thought it would be appropriate to have this recognition during our annual October event of Creek and Channel Safety Awareness Month.

Walnut Creek Intermediate School has invited us back to be involved in their own Creek and Channel Safety Awareness Week, which will be held the week of October 31 to November 4, 2016.

The Chief Engineer, FC District, recommends that the Board adopt a resolution recognizing Walnut Creek Intermediate School for their contributions towards developing the County’s first Creek and Channel Safety Awareness Week, held October 19–23, 2015.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this Resolution is not adopted, the Walnut Creek Intermediate School's efforts to get the CCSAP message out will not be recognized.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

The Flood Control District will continue to work with the schools and youth-based groups within the County to educate children about safety regarding creeks and flood control channels.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution No. 2016/583