



**Contra  
Costa  
County**

To: Board of Supervisors

From: John Kopchik, Director, Conservation & Development Department

Date: July 9, 2019

Subject: Resolution No. 2019/486 to allow DCD to receive grant Block Grant #5 funding from CA Coastal Conservancy

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

ADOPT Resolution No. 2019/486 to allow Department of Conservation and Development to apply for and accept grant funding from the California Coastal Conservancy in the amount of \$133,387 for a Carquinez Strait Scenic Loop Trail gap closure study.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The Coastal Conservancy has proposed awarding \$133,387 to the Department of Conservation and Development. Staff time administering the grant is covered under existing budgeted activities.

**BACKGROUND:**

Normal processes would have staff bringing this matter before TWIC and then to the Board of Supervisors with a recommendation. Coastal Conservancy grant deadlines did not support this approach. Rather than missing this funding opportunity, staff is bringing the matter directly to the full Board of Supervisors for consideration.

Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) staff approached the County proposing a study of the Carquinez Strait Scenic Loop Trail (CSSLT) project. This proposal included a

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **07/09/2019** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: Candace Andersen, District II  
Supervisor  
Diane Burgis, District III  
Supervisor  
Karen Mitchoff, District IV  
Supervisor  
Federal D. Glover, District V  
Supervisor

ABSENT: John Gioia, District I  
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: July 9, 2019

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

By: Laura Cassell, Deputy

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potential grant from the California Coastal Conservancy. Public Works and Department of Conservation and Development

### BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

staff discussed the proposal internally, with MTC staff, and are recommending that the County participate in the project, apply for, and receive the subject grant.

Project staff propose to hire a consultant with the grant funding to study opportunities and constraints to closing high-priority segments of 18 miles of trail gaps along the CSSLT. Closing these gap segments is intended to increase bicycle and pedestrian access, as well as access to parks and recreational facilities in unincorporated Contra Costa County. The CSSLT Gap Closure Study is a collaboration between Contra Costa County, the National Parks Service Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program, the City of Benicia, Great California Delta Trail advocates, San Francisco Bay Trail, San Francisco Water Trail and the Bay Area Ridge Trail.

### CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If the recommended actions are not taken, the County will not receive grant funding, and will not participate in the planning process described in this report.

### ATTACHMENTS

Resolution 2019/486

CSSLT grant application

Maps