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Contra Costa County

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Julia R. Bueren, Public Works Director/Chief Engineer

Date: January 24, 2012

Subject: ACCEPT Grant of Easement from William A. Hughes, TRE and make related findings under CEQA,

Walnut Creek area. Project No.: WL83PV/FS1100122

#### **RECOMMENDATION(S):**

ACCEPT the Grant of Easement, dated January 4, 2012, for ingress and egress purposes from William A. Hughes, TRE across a portion of Assessor's Parcel Number 173-090-003, located on Westcliffe Lane in Walnut Creek.

FIND that the project is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 5, Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines [DCD-CP#11-69]. This activity has been found to conform to the General Plan of the City of Walnut Creek.

DIRECT the Real Property Division to have the above referenced Grant of Easement recorded in the office of the County Recorder for the purpose of completing real property transactions in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and

DIRECT the Director of the Department of Conservation and Development (DCD) to file a Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk, and

AUTHORIZE the Chief Engineer to arrange for payment of a \$25.00 fee to DCD for

<b>✓</b> APPROVE	OTHER
▼ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR	RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE
Action of Board On: 01/24/2012	APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED  OTHER
Clerks Notes:	
VOTE OF SUPERVISORS	
AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor	
Gayle B. Uilkema, District II 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.
Mary N. Piepho, District III Supervisor	ATTESTED: January 24, 2012
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor	David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor	
Contact: Carmen Piña-Sandoval,	By: June McHuen, Deputy

cc: Real Property Division, Sheila Minor

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processing of the Notice of Exemption, and a \$50 handling fee to the County Clerk for filing the Notice of Exemption.

# RECOMMENDATION(S): (CONT'D)

# FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no impact to the County General Fund. Costs paid by applicant.

# **BACKGROUND**:

The owner of 2302 Westcliffe Lane has submitted an application to the City of Walnut Creek to vacate a portion of a City-owned easement located between 2302 Westcliffe Lane and the Walnut Creek Intermediate School. The easement serves as an access easement to the Walnut Creek channel and 2290 Westcliffe Lane.

The City will vacate the entire width of the easterly extension of Westcliffe Lane, reserving a 25-foot Public Utility Easement along the southern edge of 2302 Westcliffe Lane and identified as APN 173-090-003.

In order for the District to maintain legal access to the Walnut Creek channel, the underlying property owner of 2303 Westcliffe Lane is offering the District this 25-foot wide access easement along the southern edge of the property.

# **CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**

The District will not have sufficient land rights for access to the Walnut Creek channel.

#### **CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:**

Not applicable

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

**Grant of Easement**