

Jefferson County  
Board of Commissioners  
Agenda Request

**To:** Board of Commissioners  
Philip Morley, County Administrator

**From:** Frank Gifford, Public Works Director *FG*

**Agenda Date:** June 7, 2010

**Subject:** Resolution Approving Application for Aquatic Land Enhancement Account (ALEA) Grant Funding to the Recreation & Conservation Office (RCO) for the Olympic Discovery Trail - Discovery Bay Estuary Project

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**Statement of Issue:**

The Public Works Department is completing a grant application for the Recreation and Conservation Office's (RCO) Aquatic Land Enhancement Account (ALEA) grant program. The ALEA grant request estimated at \$315,000 (total project cost \$700,000) is for development and construction of almost 1 mile of the Olympic Discovery Trail that utilizes old railroad grade along Discovery Bay. ALEA grant funding will be leveraged by a Washington Wildlife & Recreation Program (WWRP) grant request of approximately \$315,000 and approximately \$70,000 in local Road funds.

**Analysis/Strategic Goals/Pro's & Con's:**

The RCO grant program requires that the BOCC sign a specifically worded resolution that authorizes Public Works to submit applications for funding. The signed resolution is a mandatory element of the grant request and must be completed in order for the application to be accepted. The resolution is compatible with the County's Strategic Goal of seeking non-local sources of revenue. The Trail project specifically responds to the Strategic Goal of providing for community facility and recreational needs, with a view to the long-term.

**Fiscal Impact/Cost Benefit Analysis:**

Project will be completed using \$70,000 in local Road funds and \$630,000 in grant funds.

**Recommendation:**


Approve, pass and sign the attached resolution. Return a copy of the resolution to Public Works.

**Department Contact:**

Monte Reinders, P.E., County Engineer 385-9242

**Reviewed By:**

  
Philip Morley, County Administrator

  
Date

STATE OF WASHINGTON  
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_

In the Matter of }  
Application for Funding Assistance to the }  
Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account, }  
Recreation and Conservation Office, for the }  
Olympic Discovery Trail – Discovery }  
Bay Estuary Project }

A resolution authorizing application for funding assistance for an Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account (ALEA) Program project to the Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) as provided in RCW 79.90.245 and subsequent Legislative action.

WHEREAS, our organization has approved a comprehensive plan that includes this project area; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of ALEA, state funding assistance is requested to aid in financing the cost of land acquisition and/or facility development; and

WHEREAS, our organization considers it in the best public interest to complete the land acquisition project described in the application;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that:

1. The Director of Public Works be authorized to make formal application to the Recreation and Conservation Office for funding assistance;
2. Any fund assistance received be used for implementation of the project referenced above;
3. Our organization hereby certifies that its share of project funding is committed and will be derived from local Road funds;
4. We are aware that the grant, if approved, will be paid on a reimbursement basis. This means we may only request payment after eligible and allowable costs have already been paid and remitted to our vendors;
4. We acknowledge that any property acquired or facility developed with financial and from the Recreation and Conservation funding Board (RCFB) must be placed in use for the funded purpose, and be retained in such use in perpetuity unless otherwise provided and agreed to by our organization and RCFB;
5. This resolution becomes part of a formal application to the Recreation and Conservation Office; and
6. We provided appropriate opportunity for public comment on this application.

ADOPTED THIS \_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_, 2010.

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD  
OF COMMISSIONERS

SEAL:

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David Sullivan, Chair

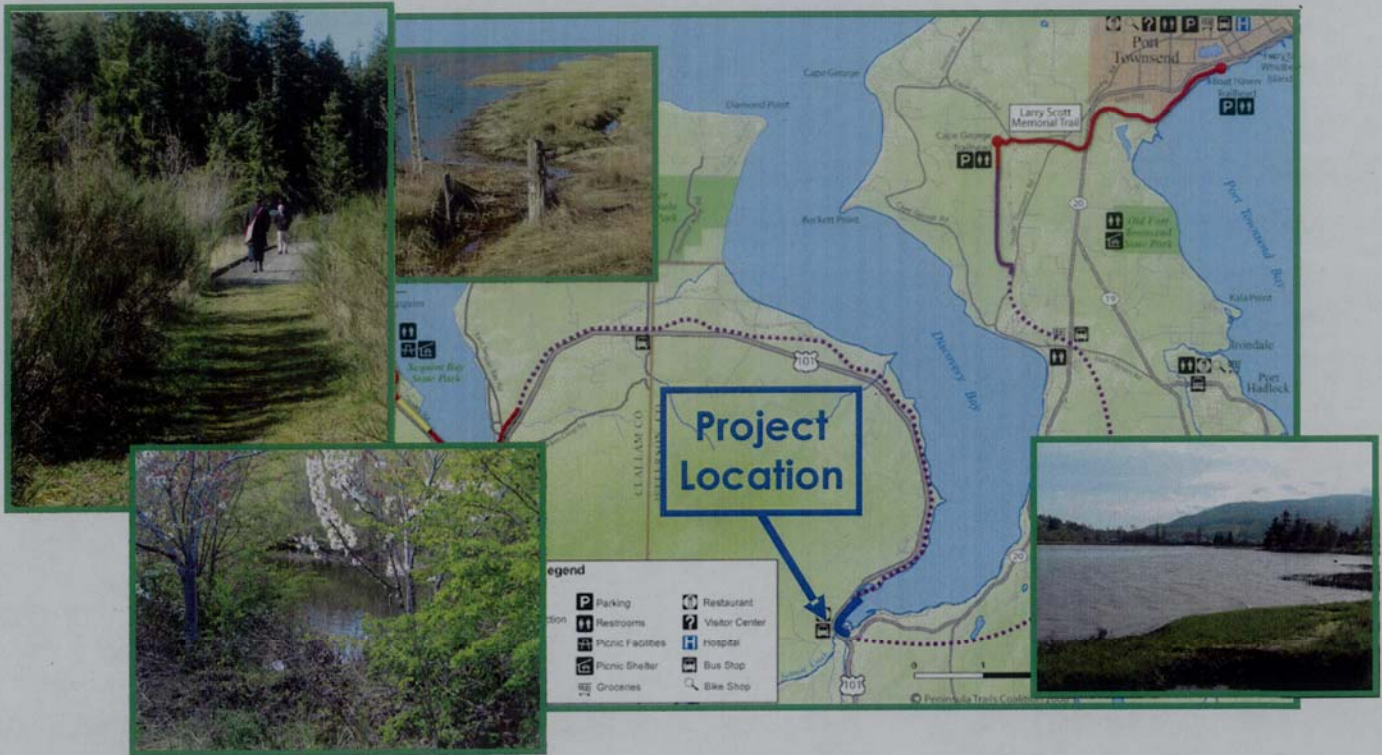
ATTEST:

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Phil Johnson, Member

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Lorna L. Delaney  
Clerk of the Board

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John Austin, Member

# OLYMPIC DISCOVERY TRAIL DISCOVERY BAY ESTUARY PROJECT



## PROJECT ELEMENTS

Acquire easement and construct approximately 1 mile of accessible trail to include:

- Scenic Viewpoints
- Parking Area
- Drinking Fountain
- Hand launch boat site
- Interpretive elements about the habitat, restoration, and cultural history of the site
- Link between future Olympic Discovery Trail segments

## SITE CHARACTERISTICS

- Snow Creek and Salmon Creek confluence to Discovery Bay
- Stream, riparian and estuarine habitat
- Viewing habitat for shorebirds, songbirds, wading birds and waterfowl, deer and elk, butterflies and wildflowers and spawning salmon
- Scenic water and mountain views

## PROPOSED PROJECT COST/ FUNDING SOURCES

WWRP* Trails Grant	\$ 315,000
ALEA** Grant	\$ 315,000
Local funds	<u>\$ 70,000</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 700,000</b>

## PROJECT IMPETUS

Timely project for acquisition and construction of segment of Olympic Discovery Trail and Pacific Northwest Trail in conjunction with restoration efforts currently being conducted in Discovery Bay.

\*Washington Wildlife & Recreation Program  
 \*\*Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account  
 Programs managed by the WA State Recreation and Conservation Office.