

Jefferson County
Board of Commissioners
Agenda Request

To: Board of Commissioners
Philip Morley, County Administrator

From: Frank Gifford, Public Works Director *FG*

Agenda Date: April 9, 2012

Subject: Maynard Nearshore Restoration Project, Discovery Bay

Statement of Issue: The Department of Public Works plans to use the proposed grant funds to supplement a nearshore restoration project (funded by others) on the west side of the head of Discovery Bay, so that a section of the Olympic Discovery Trail can be constructed as part of that project. The project will be executed in a construction contract administered by North Olympic Salmon Coalition, with oversight by Jefferson County Public Works pertaining to trail construction.

Analysis/Strategic Goals/Pro's & Con's: It is critical to construct this section of the Olympic Discovery Trail with the Discovery Bay restoration project because it 1) allows the restoration project to mitigate for intrusion of the trail into the shoreline buffer and 2) creates a trail location where there is no alternative route. Unless the Olympic Discovery Trail is built as the same time as restoration takes place, it is unlikely a trail could be built at this location. In addition, the trail provides a high quality interpretive opportunity for the restoration project and a public recreational connection to the Snow/Salmon estuary.

Fiscal Impact/Cost Benefit Analysis: Combining projects leverages grant monies and reduces administrative costs and reduces construction cost.

Recommendation: Authorize the Application for ALEA grant funds to add trail development to the Nearshore Restoration effort.

Department Contact: Monte Reinders, P.E., County Engineer

Reviewed By:


Philip Morley, County Administrator

4/3/12
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 }
Maynard Nearshore Restoration Project, }
Discovery Bay }

This is a resolution that authorizes submitting an application for funding assistance for an Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account (ALEA) project to the Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) as provided in RCW 79.90.245, WAC 286 and subsequent Legislative action.

WHEREAS, under the provisions of the Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account (ALEA), state grant assistance is requested to aid in financing the cost of development and restoration of the Discovery Bay Maynard Nearshore; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. The Director of Public Works is authorized to make formal application to the Recreation and Conservation Office for funding assistance;
2. Any grant assistance received will be used for direct costs associated with implementation of the project referenced above;
3. Jefferson County hereby certifies that our matching share of project funding will be derived from a US Fish & Wildlife National Coastal Wetlands Restoration grant; a Fish America grant for project design; a Northwest Straits Foundation grant for project design; private cash donations from the Peninsula Trail Coalition; and by supporting staff and volunteer time, and that we are responsible for all non-cash commitments to this project should they not materialize;
4. We acknowledge that the grant assistance, if approved, will be paid on a reimbursement basis, meaning we will only request payment from the Recreation and Conservation Office after eligible and allowable costs have been incurred and payment remitted to our vendors, and that the Recreation and Conservation Office will hold retainage until the project is deemed complete;
5. We acknowledge that any property restored through grant assistance from the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board must be reasonably maintained and made available to the general public unless other restrictions have been agreed to by the Recreation and Conservation Office Director or the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board;
6. We acknowledge that any property restored with grant assistance from the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board must be dedicated for public purposes and be retained and maintained for perpetuity otherwise provided and agreed to by our organization and the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board; unless other restrictions have been agreed to by the Recreation and Conservation Office Director or the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board;
7. This resolution becomes part of a formal application to the Recreation and Conservation Office for grant assistance; and
8. We provided appropriate opportunity for public comment on this application.

ADOPTED THIS ____ DAY OF ____, 2012.

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD
OF COMMISSIONERS

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John Austin, Chair

ATTEST:

Phil Johnson, Member

Erin Lundgren
Clerk of the Board

David Sullivan, Member