Notice of Public Meeting San Diego River Conservancy

A public meeting of the Governing Board of The San Diego River Conservancy will be held Thursday, January 14, 2016 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Meeting Location

County of San Diego Administration Center (CAC) 1600 Pacific Highway, Room 302 San Diego, California 92101

Tele-Conference Location

Natural Resources Agency 1416 Ninth Street, Room #1311 Sacramento, CA 95814

Department of Finance State Capitol, Room 1145 Sacramento, CA 95814

Contact: Julia Richards (619) 645-3188

Meeting Agenda

The Board may take agenda items out of order to accommodate speakers and to maintain a quorum, unless noted as time specific.

- Roll Call
- 2. Approval of Minutes (ACTION)

Consider approval of minutes for the October 5 and November 12, 2015 meetings.

3. Public Comment (INFORMATIONAL)

Any person may address the Governing Board at this time regarding any matter within the Board's authority. Presentations will be limited to three minutes for individuals and five minutes for representatives of organizations. Submission of information in writing is encouraged. The Board is

prohibited by law from taking any action on matters that are discussed that are not on the agenda; no adverse conclusions should be drawn by the Board's not responding to such matters or public comments.

- 4. Chairperson's and Governing Board Members' Report (INFORMATIONAL)
- 5. Deputy Attorney General Report (INFORMATIONAL/ACTION)
- 6. San Diego River Trail Permits for Discovery Center and Trail Segment (INFORMATIONAL)

The project includes permits for a segment of the San Diego River Trail (Gap #16) and the San Diego River Discovery Center at Grant Park.

Presentation:

Rob Hutsel, San Diego River Park Foundation

7. Hydrologic Research Center (INFORMATIONAL)

The Hydrologic Research Center (HRC) was established as a non-profit, public-benefit research and technology transfer corporation in July 1993. HRC was created to help bridge the large gap existing between scientific research in hydrology and applications for the solution of important societal problems that involve water.

Presentation:

Eylon Shamir, Ph.D, Hydrologic Engineer Rochelle Graham, Ph.D, Senior Research Scientist

8. Community Roundtable – Helix Water District's surplus parcels (*INFORMATIONAL*) Summary of facilitated meetings regarding Helix's surplus land which includes 3 parcels (portions of APNs 392-060-29 [18.94 acres], 391-061-01 [2.53 acres], and 390-040-51[15.61 acres]) in El Monte Valley.

Presentation:

Peter MacCracken, Principal, Strategic Communications
Julia Richards, Executive Officer, San Diego River Conservancy

9. San Diego River Conservancy - Proposition 1 Grant Program and projects recommended for funding (ACTION)

Conservation of approximately 37 acres of land in the El Monte Valley (Lakeside, County of San Diego) (ACTION)

Applicant: City of San Diego, Public Utilities Department

Requested amount: \$540,000.00 Recommended amount: \$540,000.00

Score: 92/113

Recommendation: Approve SDRC Resolution 16-01

This proposal is to conserve 3 parcels of land totaling 37.08 acres in the El Monte Valley located in the San Diego River watershed. This land will be preserved in a public ownership to protect water quality in the basin, ensure Pueblo water rights, provide groundwater sustainability, preserve open space, protect natural resources, provide trail access and assist in formation of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan and Agency. The City will provide a management plan and monitor the land. The purposes of this project are consistent with Proposition 1 Grant funding. [California Water Bond, Proposition 1 (2014)]

Conservation of approximately 75 acres of Temescal Creek (Julian, County of San Diego) (ACTION)

Applicant: The San Diego River Park Foundation

Requested amount: \$380,500.00 Recommended amount: \$355,000.00

Score: 84/113

Recommendation: Approve SDRC Resolution 16-02

This proposal is to conserve 74.94 acres of land located in the headwaters of the San Diego River. An ephemeral wash bisects the property of montane meadow and mixed oak woodland habitat. Adjacent public lands are owned by the USDA Forest Service. The Foundation will develop a management plan to remove grazing from neighboring cattle and address the invasive Goldspotted Oak Borer which has effected onsite Engelmann oak (*Quercus engelmannii*) and coast live oak (*Quercus agrifolia*). In addition, the Foundation will provide a management plan and monitor the land, provide research and education opportunities for the public. The purposes of this project are consistent with Proposition 1 Grant funding. [California Water Bond, Proposition 1 (2014)]

10. Executive Officer's Report (INFORMATIONAL / ACTION)

The following topics may be included in the Executive Officer's Report. The Board may take action regarding any of them:

Flume Trail Extension – Easement filed Proposition 1 (Water Bond) overview and status update

11. Next Meeting

The next scheduled board meeting will be held Thursday, March 10, 2016, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

12. Adjournment

<u>Accessibility</u>

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