# 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,

> September 18, 2008 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Meeting Location

San Diego City Hall 202 "C" Street Conference Room B, 12th Floor San Diego, California 92101

Tele-Conference Location: 1416 Ninth Street Resources Agency Conference Room 1305 Sacramento, CA 95814 (866) 673-2851 / Pass code 3486949

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# Meeting Agenda

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Approval of Minutes
- 3. Public Comment

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.

- 4. Chairperson's and Governing Board Members' Report
- 5. Executive Officer's Report

The following topics may be included in the Executive Officers Report. The Board may

take action regarding any of them:

# **Legislative News**

- AB 8
- SB 1428
- 08-09 Budget
   Operating
   Capital Outlay

# **Project Updates**

- Bike Path
- SDSU & SDRC Inter Agency Agreement
- Walker Properties- City of Santee
- Natural History Museum
- Hanson Ponds
- Hydro Study

# **Contract & Procurements**

- Department of Fish & Game Property
- Cultural Resources RFQ
- 6. Deputy Attorney Generals Report
- 7. Proposition 40 Allocations: Status Report / Introduction of New Partners
  - <u>Presentation</u> Ann Van Leer, Principal Consultant

Carlton Oaks Niki McGinnis, Jeff Pasek, City of San

Diego, Water Department

River Gorge Trail Joan Fiedlander, National Forest

Service

TET /Santee Melanie Kush, City of Santee

Cactus Park Brian Albright, County of San Diego

- Resolution 08-05
- Resolution 08-06

8. Proposition 84 Allocations: Status Report / Introduction of New Project Manager

• Presentation: Megan Cooper, California Coastal

Conservancy

San Diego River Trail, Mission Valley (163)

**Tributary Canyons** 

- 9. New Logo
  - Selection and Adoption
- 10. Adjournment

# **Accessibility**

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# State of California San Diego River Conservancy

# EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S SUMMARY REPORT

Meeting of September 18, 2008

ITEM: 1

SUBJECT: ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

# **EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S SUMMARY REPORT**

Meeting of September 18, 2008

ITEM: 2

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board will consider adoption of the July 17, 2008

public meeting minutes.

PURPOSE: The minutes of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Board Meeting are

attached for your review.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve minutes

# SAN DIEGO RIVER CONSERVANCY (SDRC) Minutes of July 17, 2008 Public Meeting

(Draft Minutes for Approval September 18, 2008)

<u>Chairperson Donna Frye</u> called the July 17, 2008 meeting of the San Diego River Conservancy to order at approximately 9:35 a.m.

# 1. Roll Call

# Members Present:

Donna Frye, Chair Council Member, City of San Diego

Dianne Jacob
Jerry Sanders
John Donnelly
Anne Sheehan

Supervisor, Second District
Mayor, City of San Diego
Wildlife Conservation Board
Department of Finance

Ruth Hayward Public at Large Anne Haddad Public at Large Andrew Poat Public at Large

Ronie Clark Department of Parks and Recreation Alternate Designee

Ben Clay Public at Large

David King San Diego Regional Water Quality Board

Absent:

Karen Scarborough Resources Agency

Toni Atkins Council Member, Public at Large

# **Staff Members Present:**

Michael Nelson, Executive Officer

Hayley Peterson, Deputy Attorney General

Flenell Owens, Administrative Services Manager

Ann Van Leer, Consultant, San Diego River Conservancy

Jim King, Project Development Analyst

### Others Present:

Janet Redding, Jim Stone, Tale Hase, Peter St Clair, Robin Reirdan, Rob Hutsel, Mark Weston, Deanna Spehn, Jill Monroe, Robin Shifflet, Joe Purohit.

# 2. Approval of Minutes

<u>Dianne Jacob asked</u> that the minutes reflect the attendance of Tale Hase and Brian Albright at the May 15, 2008 meeting. <u>Ben Clay</u> moved approval of the minutes of the May 15, 2008 public meeting. The motion was seconded by <u>Ruth Hayward</u>. The minutes were adopted unanimously.

### 3. Public Comment

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#### No Comment

# (Chairperson Frye reordered the agenda to consider Items 7, 8, 9 and 10 first.

# 7. San Diego River Trail (Riverford Road, Lakeside)

<u>Mike Nelson</u> stated that the Board had previously approved SDRC and Lakeside's River Park Conservancy application for Proposition 50 funding for the Riverford Road Section of the San Diego River Trail. Since that application was unsuccessful, he was proposing to utilize \$878,000 of SDRC's Proposition 40 set aside to fund this project, which would construct an additional mile of the San Diego River Trail.

Robin Rierdan: provided a brief presentation and stated that the project is collaboration between Lakeside River Park Conservancy, SDRC, the County of San Diego, and two private landowners along the San Diego River. She further explained that years ago SDRC funded a trail grant that built three-quarters of a mile of trail at Lakeside's River Park. This project would extend that trail .95 miles and connect to the Lakeside Baseball Fields which borders the Walker family's Santee properties that are currently being appraised for acquisition. The project envisions the development of a new trail in some segments and using existing haul roads under the Riverford Road Bridge. Though consideration had been given to constructing a bridge over or a tunnel under Riverford Road, these alternatives were very expensive, would require a great deal of land, complicate equestrian use, and create ADA issues. She added that as the project was studied, it was determined that the partners should take advantage of easements that has been dedicated to the County and work with the US Geological Survey as well as, the Department of Fish and Game to design a trail that will minimize the impact on Least Bell's Vireo. She indicated that she was confident that the Conservancy could secure an in-kind contribution of at least \$112,000.

<u>Dianne Jacob</u> asked Robin to elaborate on the issues that may need to be resolved with the Department of Fish & Game.

Robin Rierdan: stated that at one time there was some understanding that the haul road would disappear; however, that alternative failed to acknowledge the existence of easements that had been dedicated. The proposed alignment would require approximately 500' of haul road from the top of the slope to the riverbed, an approach that would require mitigation and the approval of the Department of Fish and Game. Also, there will also be an issue regarding potential impact to species resulting from human usage along the riverbed.

<u>Dianne Jacob:</u> asked whether the only demarcation between the trail and the channel was vegetation?

Robin Rierdan: said: No that it would also be fenced and include educational signage.

Dianne Jacob: inquired as to whether a population survey of Cowbirds had been performed.

Robin Rierdan: said that it had not, but when biological surveys for other projects had been conducted and Cowbirds were found. Moreover, when the USGS has recently looked at nesting sites, they had found Cowbird eggs.

<u>Dianne Jacob</u>: So why are we approving \$878,000 if all we need is \$788, 562?

**Robin Rierdan:** Maybe our numbers got a bit confused.

<u>Mike Nelson:</u> Robin and I will clarify and correct our estimates. There is no reason why we can't reduce the amount of to this grant to reflect the correct estimate.

**Dianne Jacob:** Do you foresee a need for additional funding?

<u>Robin Rierdan:</u> At this moment, we don't think so. In talking to your staff at DPLU, they thought that we may not even need to provide mitigation. So, at this point, the grant is at the \$788,562 level.

**Dianne Jacob:** So the number is \$788,562, correct?

Mike Nelson: Correct.

<u>Jerry Sanders</u> moved for the approval of Resolution 08-03 authorizing a (\$878,000) Proposition 40, River Parkways Grant Application to Lakeside's River Park Conservancy for the Construction of the San Diego River Trail (Riverford Road Section). <u>Dianne Jacob</u> seconded the motion. The Board voted 9-0-0 to approve the motion.

<u>Chairperson Frye:</u> Let me just clarify in that motion, should we make the amount for an even \$800.000?

Ann Miller Haddad: Is there any harm in leaving it as is?

**John Donnelly:** Can we just add the words "up to" \$878,000?

<u>Chairperson Frye:</u> Yes, we can do just that. We will amend the Resolution to include the words "Up to" \$878,000, as part of that motion. That change was accepted by the maker of the motion and the seconded.

<u>Mike Nelson:</u> Robin had referred to a connection between the ball field and Walker/Hanlon lakes. The Board may recall meeting Bill Hanlon at one of our meetings. We are presently appraising this property, which includes 140 acres.

<u>Dianne Jacob:</u> How many miles will we have after we complete all this, including the ball field?

<u>Robin Rierdan:</u> I don't know what the trail length would be, but the property Mike is referring to provides a two mile riparian corridor.

# 8. San Diego River: Integrated Water Quality and Watershed Information Project

<u>Mike Nelson</u> offered information about the Integrated Water Quality Information project. He stated that in 2005, the Conservancy received funds resulting from a settlement agreement from the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board and that a Special Deposit fund was established for projects consistent with the Conservancy's Strategic Plan. He stated that this project was consistent. He added that the project is a result of a conversation between the San Diego River Park Foundation, Joe Purohit of Ecolayers, and John Robertus at the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board. He stated that he had recently spoken with John Robertus, who confirmed his endorsement of this grant.

**Rob Hutsel:** stated that this i\$25,000 grant request was a relatively small amount of money, when considering the product it will help create and the impact it will have. The three principal elements are: San Diego River Watershed information sharing; stakeholder collaboration, and project management tools for SDRC. He noted a specific reference found in the Conservancy's

Strategic and Infrastructure Plan's which states "Promote and implement projects which maintain and improve the water quality and natural flood conveyance of the San Diego River." He emphasized that phrase captured that primary focus of the project. He also mentioned the San Diego River Watershed Management Plan speaks to data management and its importance to the improvement of the health of the river. A specific recommendation of the Watershed Management Plan was to catalog of all available data. Rob introduced Joe Purohit from Ecolayers Inc. as the individual developing the system. He stated that the system has been very beneficial to them already. He explained that all river monitoring data is presently been entered into this system.

<u>David King:</u> Is it possible to say how much the entire project is going to cost? I know the \$25,000 is for the web based application and development.

**Rob Hutsel:** state that this grant was sufficient, and that the remaining investment will be primarily that of time and in-kind services.

Anne Sheehan: What about the maintenance of the system once you get all the data entered? Rob Hutsel: Maintenance costs once the system is complete must be resolved between stakeholders. This Resolution requires that all costs be covered for one year. While we hope SDRC will wish to continue past one year, this grant will at least put the system in place. Also, the Resolution contains language which references negotiation and resolution of costs associated with maintenance of the system. He stated that he was confident the costs would be modest.

<u>Anne Sheehan:</u> asked if this model could be used by other Regional Boards or similar projects?

<u>Rob Hutsel:</u> indicated that this system will should establish improved collaboration and information sharing throughout the region. We have received data from various partners in the watershed including the County, the City, the City of Santee, as well as the City of El Cajon. We fully intend to share this throughout the State.

<u>Anne Sheehan:</u> said she thought that that once the system is operational consideration should be given to demonstrating to others what its capabilities are.

<u>Anne Sheehan</u> moved for the approval of Resolution 08-04 Authorizing Funding for the Development and Design of an "Integrated Water Quality Data and Watershed Information System" for the San Diego River. <u>Dianne Jacob</u> seconded the motion. The Board voted 8-0-0 to approve the motion.

# San Diego Natural History Museum / WATER H20=Life Exhibit / Sponsorship Opportunity

Mike Nelson introduced Jim Stone, Vice President for Public Programs for the San Diego Natural History Museum and Janet Redding, Vice President for Institutional Advancement for the Museum. Mike stated that he is often made aware of the Strategic Plan's goal regarding "Education and Outreach". He related that he had spoken to Janet who informed him of the H2O exhibit and shared with him the sponsorship opportunities the Natural History Museum could offer. He said he felt that it might be useful receive a presentation from the Museum and to discuss how the Conservancy should approach sponsorship opportunities like this one, as well as others.

<u>Ben Clay</u> disclosed that he is a trustee of the Natural History Museum and also of this Board and recused himself

<u>Chairperson Frye</u> asked Hayley Peterson to give legal guidance of this matter.

<u>Hayley Petersen</u> said there was no legal conflict of interest. She added that his is to avoid any appearance of a conflict. She stated that we will note in the minutes that Ben identified his dual roles and chose to recuse himself.

<u>Jim Stone</u> gave a presentation on the San Diego Natural History Museum exhibits and sponsorship opportunities.

<u>Dianne Jacob</u> acknowledged the outstanding job that the Natural History Museum is doing, and acknowledged the education and outreach component in the Conservancy's Strategic plan, but emphasize how important it was for the Conservancy to receive a very big bang for the buck. She asked how the San Diego River and the Conservancy will will be referenced and what the benefits of a sponsorship might be.

<u>Jim Stone:</u> answered that the San Diego River was an important feature of that portion of the exhibit titled the "California Story". As an example, there is a video by Larry Asakawa that follows the San Diego River from its headwaters down to the coast. There are a number of places throughout the exhibition that the San Diego River is featured in photos and text panels. Our canyoneers have a number of hikes that they do within the San Diego River watershed and there are opportunities for programs, lectures, and classroom presentations over the next several years that we can feature the San Diego River.

<u>Andrew Poat</u> acknowledged the great work of the Museum. He stated that his question was more process oriented. He said that whenever public funds are granted, there is a question of what process was used to make the funds available. Though I am aware of the many benefits of this sponsorship, I believe the Executive Officer should develop criteria for our consideration.

<u>Mike Nelson:</u> When I placed this item on the agenda, I did it to receive some direction and make you aware of this opportunity. I am happy to work with Janet and Jim to outline what benefits the San Diego River Conservancy will receive. Furthermore, will give some thought to a process and criteria to evaluate similar opportunities in the future.

<u>Rob Hutsel</u> stated that this is an incredible opportunity to give exposure to the Conservancy and the San Diego River. He stated that the video which was referenced was funded by the County of San Diego through a grant to the Foundation.

<u>Anne Sheehan:</u> said that when she first saw this I had the similar concerns to those expressed, but feel this investment will achieve a big return on investment. She note that she also believed it is important is important, because it is something SDRC hasn't done, but something it needs to do. She agreed that it would be helpful for to develop a policy for future proposals. She stated that she was comfortable with pursuing a sponsorship with the Museum, that it will provide tremendous exposure in the community.

<u>Ronie Clark:</u> In addition to looking at process I think it would be useful to review a summary of previous expenditures and funds available for this purpose.

<u>Chairperson Frye:</u> summarized the discussion and stated that there seemed to be support for this sponsorship, but questions that are unanswered. I believe at our next meeting we should learn what the benefits of this sponsorship would be; a criteria to make decisions in the future, and the amount of money that the Conservancy has spent on sponsorships.

Ann Sheehan: I think the timing on this is important because the exhibition opens Saturday. So I would be comfortable with going ahead and making a motion to approve the \$10,000

sponsorship. I think the Executive Officer can work with the Museum as to how best to use the name of the San Diego River Conservancy. I think it is a unique opportunity that I don't want to delay until the next meeting. **Andrew Poat** seconded the motion.

<u>Chairperson Frye:</u> asked if this \$10,000 payment was for the length of the exhibit? **Jim Stone:** responded that it was for the length of the exhibit.

<u>Ann Haddad</u>: questioned whether there would be a link to the Conservancy's website on the Museum's site?

<u>Jim Stone</u>: said that there was a website dedicated to the water exhibit which had a section for "Learning Resources" that would be a good location for the link.

<u>Diane Jacob:</u> remarked that she believed a number of good issues have been raised during the discussion of this item and as a consequence, had no problem moving forward. She also stated that she concurred with Andrew's points about a policy and the need for criteria.

The Board voted 7-0-1 to approve the motion to grant the Natural History Museum \$10,000 from the Special Deposit Fund to sponsor the San Diego River Conservancy in its exhibition. Ben Clay recused.

# 10. Old Town State Historic Park/Native Plant Garden

Ronie Clark introduced Peter St. Clair from the California Native Plant Society and explained a partnership that California State Parks had developed with the Native Plant Society. She said that one of the focus points of the Native Plant Garden was interpreting the relationship of Old Town and the historic path of the river. Our first emphasis has been on the corner parcel between Congress and Taylor Street. There we wanted to demonstrate the prehistoric uses of California native plants that occurred along the river. California State Parks didn't have the money to pursue this, but the California Native Plant Society and the local Master Gardeners have come together to help us further our goals.

<u>Peter St. Clair</u> gave a presentation which summarized the two phases of the project. Phase 1 which involves the restoration of the native garden is complete. It is directly across the street from the trolley station and north of the McCoy House and comprises a 2-3 acre site. Phase 2 is what Peter was here to introduce. The second phase would further identify the historic river course, Native American use of the river and the native plants that were growing at that time. A planning document must be developed that outlines an interpretive program and any further capital improvements that may be necessary.

<u>Ben Clay:</u> asked if there would be any signage that would suggest to people that these are some examples of drought tolerant plants that could be used elsewhere?

<u>Peter St. Clair:</u> The riparian element will probably not be drought tolerant. In fact, we will have to irrigate, because there is 11 feet of fill that has been placed over the actual riverbed over the years. However, upland plants will be drought tolerant.

Ronie Clark: One of the things we have been investigating is just how we develop the interpretive program. Whether interpretation should be accomplished through signage in the Park or podcast information that can be found on our website. We want to maintain the feeling of a town: so, we will refrain from a label on everything. We hope to achieve a balance.

<u>Former Caltrans Office Site</u> She also shared with the Board that State Parks was currently in negotiations with Caltrans to purchase their formal office site. She said that the building lies on

the along the historic route of the river. She added that they have prepared a proposal to demolish the building and interpret the path of the river as we develop the site for visitor use. **Mike Nelson:** As I mentioned earlier, Ann Van Leer and I will go through all of the projects that we have identified for funding and determine there status. I am optimistic that as we review the status of projects, it might be possible to consider as much as \$50,000 grant for the Native plant garden.

<u>Chairperson Frye:</u> It sounds like at our next meeting we need to review our current projects to determine whether we will have the capacity to move forward with any new projects.

# 4. Chairperson's and Governing Board Members' Report (No report)

# 6. Deputy Attorney General's Report (No report)

# 5. Executive Officer's Report

<u>Mike Nelson:</u> described a meeting with Bill Anderson, Director of the Planning Department for the City of San Diego to emphasize the importance of implementing the City's Draft Master Plan for the San Diego River Park and mentioned that Andrew Poat arranged the meeting, which included Ruth Hayward, Rob Hutsel and Michael Beck.

# **Project Updates**

<u>Mike Nelson</u> gave an update on the following projects:

# Tributary Canyon Project/Coastal Conservancy

Advised that the Board of the California Coastal Conservancy approved funds allocated for the San Diego River Conservancy projects for the Tributary Canyon Project.

## OB Bike Path

Mike Nelson explained that Caltrans, at the encouragement of Andrew Poat, had resolved their issues regarding a longitudinal encroachment permit necessary for the Bike Path to be completed.

<u>Chairperson Frye:</u> The thing that is wonderful about this path is that once you are on it you don't have to share the road with automobiles. We have discussed approving similar projects with a condition that funds for construction would not be appropriated until such time as certain actives has occurred such as obtaining permits.

#### Cactus Park

Discussed that the Conservancy, consistent with the SDRC's Board's recommendation and Supervisor Jacob's Board letter, had conducted a meeting with all of the property owners around Cactus Park. The meeting included Mark Wesson from the Helix Water District, MTS real estate chief, and County Parks and Recreation. Brian Albright, County of San Diego, Parks and Recreation took the lead on developing preliminary plans for improvements that would deal with public access and the removal of invasives.

<u>Diane Jacob:</u> Thanked the Conservancy and the Board for their participation and explained that she hoped something positive could occur as an outcome from what could have been a very tragic event.

# Hydrology Study

Announced that the Bureau of Reclamation as revised the Scope of Work that was prepared for an Hydrology Study and that the City of San Diego and the San Diego Regional Water Quality Board were involved in this exercise.

# Legislative News

# SB 1428

This is the legislation that extends the tenure of the Conservancy until 2020. The Bill was passed by the Senate and has received the approval of the Assembly's Natural Resources Committee and has been referred to Appropriations, which has placed it on "suspense" Anne Sheehan: "Suspense" means that the legislation has a cost \$50,000 or more. Usually, they place it on "suspense" and when they return for the last meeting, it will get off "suspense". It's their process.

#### SB 404

Mike Nelson referred to Ronie Clark's discussion, regarding the former Caltrans office, and indicated that Senate Bill 404 would declare that the site be designated for park purposes into perpetuity. He noted that the legislation had been approved by the Senate and was on "suspense' in the Assembly

<u>Deanna Spehn:</u> suggested that this bill was also on suspense because Caltrans would otherwise have the authority to sell the property. She expressed her optimism that it will continue to receiver favorable consideration.

<u>Anne Sheehan:</u> asked if Caltrans is comfortable with this bill or do they prefer to sell it? <u>Deanna Spehn:</u> They made a commitment to do the transaction. It has just been delayed.

# 11. The meeting was adjourned at 11:22 AM.

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# State of California San Diego River Conservancy

**EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S SUMMARY REPORT** 

Meeting of September 18, 2008

ITEM: 3

SUBJECT: PUBLIC COMMENT

PURPOSE: Any person may address the Governing Board at this

time regarding any matter within the Board's authority which is not on the agenda. Submission of information in writing is encouraged. Presentations will be limited to three minutes for individuals and five minutes for representatives of organizations. Presentation times may

be reduced depending on the number of speakers.

# **EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S SUMMARY REPORT**

Meeting of September 18, 2008

ITEM: 4

SUBJECT: CHAIRPERSON'S AND GOVERNING BOARD

**MEMBER'S COMMENTS** 

PURPOSE: These items are for Board discussion only and the Board

will take no formal action.

# State of California San Diego River Conservancy

# EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT Meeting of <u>September 18, 2008</u>

ITEM: 5

SUBJECT: **EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT** 

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

# **Legislative News**

- AB 8
- SB 1428
- 08-09 Budget

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# **Project Updates**

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# **Contract & Procurements**

- Department of Fish & Game Property
- Cultural Resources RFQ

# Introduced by Assembly Members Huffman, Caballero, and Wolk

August 21, 2008

An act to add Division 26.7 (commencing with Section 79700) to the Water Code, relating to financing a water supply reliability and water source protection program, by providing the funds necessary therefor through an election for the issuance and sale of bonds of the State of California and for the handling and disposition of those funds, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 8, as introduced, Huffman. Safe, Clean, Reliable Drinking Water Supply Act of 2008.

Under existing law, various measures have been approved by the voters to provide funds for water protection, facilities, and programs.

This bill would enact the Safe, Clean, Reliable Drinking Water Supply Act of 2008 which, if approved by the voters, would authorize, for the purposes of financing specified water supply reliability and water source protection programs, the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$9,805,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law.

The bill would provide for submission of the bond act to the voters at the November 4, 2008, statewide general election.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows: 1 SECTION 1. Division 26.7 (commencing with Section 79700) is added to the Water Code, to read: 3 4 DIVISION 26.7. THE SAFE, CLEAN, RELIABLE DRINKING 5 WATER SUPPLY ACT OF 2008 6 7 CHAPTER 1. SHORT TITLE 8 9 79700. This division shall be known and may be cited as the 10 Safe, Clean, Reliable Drinking Water Supply Act of 2008. 11 12 Chapter 2. Findings and Declarations 13 14 79701. The people of California find and declare all of the 15 following: (a) Safeguarding supplies of clean, safe drinking water to 16 17 California's homes, businesses, and farms is an essential responsibility of government, and critical to protecting the quality 18 19 of life for Californians. 20 (b) Every Californian should have access to clean, safe, reliable 21 drinking water. 22 (c) Providing adequate supplies of clean, safe drinking water is 23

- vital to keeping California's economy growing and strong.
- (d) Encouraging water conservation and recycling are commonsense methods to make more efficient use of existing water supplies.
- (e) Protecting lakes, rivers, and streams from pollution, cleaning up polluted groundwater supplies, and protecting water sources that supply the entire state are crucial to providing a reliable supply of drinking water and protecting the state's natural resources.

Chapter 3. Definitions

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79702. Unless the context otherwise requires, the definitions set forth in this section govern the construction of this division, as follows:

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(a) "Bay Delta Conservation Plan" means the final plan prepared pursuant to the Planning Agreement regarding the Bay Delta Conservation Plan, dated October 6, 2006.

- (b) "Bay-Delta Estuary" means the Delta, Suisun Bay, and Suisun Marsh.
- (c) "CALFED Bay-Delta Program" means the program described in the Record of Decision dated August 28, 2000.
- (d) "Committee" means the Safe, Clean, Reliable Drinking Water Supply Finance Committee created by Section 79782.
- (e) "Delta" means the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta as defined in Section 12220.
- (f) "Delta conveyance facilities" means facilities that convey water directly from the Sacramento River to the State Water Project or the federal Central Valley Project pumping facilities in the south Delta.
  - (g) "Department" means the Department of Water Resources.
  - (h) "Director" means the Director of Water Resources.
- (i) "Disadvantaged community" has the meaning set forth in subdivision (a) of Section 79505.5.
- (j) "Fund" means the Safe, Clean, Reliable Drinking Water Supply Fund of 2008 created by Section 79720.
- (k) "Integrated regional water management plan" means a comprehensive plan for a defined geographic area, the specific development and content of which shall be defined by guidelines adopted by the department. At a minimum, an integrated regional water management plan describes the major water-related objectives and conflicts within a region, considers a broad variety of water management strategies, and identifies the appropriate combination of water demand and supply management alternatives, water quality protections, and environmental stewardship actions to provide long-term, reliable, and high-quality water supplies and to protect the environment.
- (*l*) "Nonprofit organization" means an organization qualified to do business in California and qualified under Section 501(c) (3) of Title 26 of the United States Internal Revenue Code.
- (m) "Public agency" means a state agency or department, district, joint powers authority, city, county, city and county, or other political subdivision of the state.
  - (n) "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Resources Agency.

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(o) "State General Obligation Bond Law" means the State General Obligation Bond Law (Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 16720) of Part 3 of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code).

## CHAPTER 4. GENERAL PROVISIONS

79710. An amount that equals not more than 5 percent of the funds allocated for a grant program pursuant to this division may be used to pay the administrative costs of that program.

79710.5. Up to 10 percent of funds allocated for each program funded by this division may be used to finance planning and monitoring necessary for the successful design, selection, and implementation of the projects authorized under that program. This section shall not otherwise restrict funds ordinarily used by an agency for "preliminary plans," "working drawings," and "construction" as defined in the annual Budget Act for a capital outlay project or grant project. Water quality monitoring shall be integrated into the surface water ambient monitoring program administered by the State Water Resources Control Board.

79711. Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code does not apply to the development or implementation of programs or projects authorized or funded under Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 79721), Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 79730), Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 79750), Chapter 10 (commencing with Section 79775), and Chapter 11 (commencing with Section 79779).

- 79712. (a) Prior to disbursing grants pursuant to this division, each state agency that is required to administer a competitive grant program under this division shall develop project solicitation and evaluation guidelines. The guidelines may include a limitation on the dollar amount of grants to be awarded.
- (b) Prior to disbursing grants, the state agency shall conduct three public meetings to consider public comments prior to finalizing the guidelines. The state agency shall publish the draft solicitation and evaluation guidelines on its Internet Web site at least 30 days before the public meetings. One meeting shall be conducted at a location in northern California, one meeting shall be conducted in the central valley, and one meeting shall be conducted at a location in southern California. Upon adoption, the

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(b) No project may be funded unless it provides ecosystem improvements as described in paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 79742 that are at least 50 percent of total public benefits of the project funded under this chapter.

79746. (a) No project identified in subdivision (a) of Section 79741 shall be eligible for funding under this chapter unless, by January 1, 2014, all of the following conditions are met:

- (1) All feasibility studies are complete and draft environmental documentation is available for public review.
  - (2) The director makes a finding that the project is feasible.
- (3) The director receives commitments for not less than 75 percent of the nonstate cost share of the project.
- (b) If compliance with subdivision (a) is delayed by litigation or failure to promulgate regulations, the date in subdivision (a) shall be extended by the director for a time period that is equal to the time period of the delay.

79747. Surface storage projects funded pursuant to this chapter and described in subdivision (a) of Section 79741 may be made a unit of the Central Valley Project as provided in Section 11290 and may be financed, acquired, constructed, operated, and maintained pursuant to Part 3 (commencing with Section 11100) of Division 6.

#### Chapter 9. Conservation and Watershed Protection

79750. The sum of one billion dollars (\$1,000,000,000) is available, upon appropriation by the Legislature from the fund, in accordance with this chapter, for expenditures and grants for ecosystem and watershed protection and restoration projects, including, but not limited to, all of the following watersheds:

- (a) The San Joaquin River watershed.
- 32 (b) The Kern River and Tulare Basin watersheds.
  - (c) The Salton Sea and Colorado River watersheds.
- 34 (d) The Los Angeles River watershed.
  - (e) The San Gabriel River watershed.
  - (f) The Santa Ana River watershed.
- 37 (g) The Klamath River watershed, including the Trinity, Scott,38 and Shasta Rivers and watersheds.
- 39 (h) North coast watersheds.
- 40 (i) San Francisco Bay watersheds.

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- 1 (i) Central coast watersheds.
- 2 (k) South coast watersheds.

- 3 (l) Lake Tahoe Basin watershed.
- 4 (m) The Sacramento River watershed, including the Yolo 5 Bypass.
  - (n) San Diego County coastal watersheds.
- 7 (o) The Ventura River watershed.
- 8 (p) The Sierra Nevada Mountain watersheds.
  - (q) The Mojave River watershed.
- 10 (r) The Owens River watershed.
  - (s) The Santa Monica Bay watershed.
  - 79751. (a) Funds provided for the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River watersheds under Section 79750 shall be available for projects consistent with the ecosystem restoration program element of the California Bay-Delta Program, or its successor, or the San Joaquin River Parkway Master Plan.
  - (b) Funds provided for Salton Sea watershed projects under Section 79750 shall be available for Salton Sea restoration activities identified for "Period I" in the Resources Agency report entitled "Salton Sea Ecosystem Restoration Program Preferred Alternative Report and Funding Plan," dated May 2007.
  - (c) Funds provided for the Lake Tahoe Basin watershed under Section 79750 shall be available for projects consistent with the Lake Tahoe Environmental Improvement Program.
  - (d) Funds provided for the Los Angeles River and San Gabriel River watersheds under Section 79750 shall be available pursuant to Section 79508, and for projects identified in the Los Angeles River Revitalization Master Plan.
  - 79752. (a) The sum of eighty-five million dollars (\$85,000,000) is available, upon appropriation by the Legislature from the fund, to the Department of Fish and Game for expenditures and grants to protect the Delta ecosystem and the state's water supply from invasive species, including, but not limited to, asiatic clams, zebra mussels, quagga mussels, and New Zealand mud snails.
  - (b) At least fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) of the funds provided pursuant to subdivision (a) shall be available for grants to public agencies, including water agencies, to pay for capital expenditures associated with the control of invasive species, including, but not limited to, chlorination facilities, habitat

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modifications, and monitoring equipment. The Department of Fish and Game shall administer the grant program.

- (c) The Legislature, by statute, shall establish requirements for both of the following:
- (1) Repayment of grant funds made available pursuant to this section in the event of cost recovery from parties responsible for the introduction of invasive species that affect the Delta ecosystem and the state's water supply.
- (2) Recipients of grants to make reasonable efforts to recover costs from parties described in paragraph (1).
- 79753. For restoration and ecosystem protection projects under this chapter, the services of the California Conservation Corps or community conservation corps shall be used whenever feasible.
- 79754. Funds provided under this chapter may be appropriated to the Resources Agency, the Department of Fish and Game, the Wildlife Conservation Board, the California Conservation Corps, the Department of Parks and Recreation, or to state conservancies for expenditures and grants consistent with this chapter and other applicable laws.
- 79755. Of the funds made available pursuant to Section 79750, not less than two hundred million dollars (\$200,000,000) shall be available to the State Coastal Conservancy for projects within coastal counties and coastal watersheds, including grants to the San Diego River Conservancy and for the Santa Ana River Parkway.
- 79756. Of the funds provided in Section 79750, not less than one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) shall be available to the Wildlife Conservation Board for direct expenditure or grants for the acquisition of water rights from willing sellers and the conveyance of water for the benefit of migratory birds on wildlife refuges and wildlife habitat areas subject to Section 3406(d) of the federal Central Valley Project Improvement Act (Public Law 102-575).
- 79757. Of the funds provided in Section 79750, not less than two hundred million dollars (\$200,000,000) shall be available to the Wildlife Conservation Board for direct expenditure or grants for the protection or restoration of watershed lands that provide sources of drinking water or rivers and streams that support species listed as threatened or endangered under state or federal law.

# AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY AUGUST 8, 2008 AMENDED IN SENATE MAY 27, 2008 AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 7, 2008

# **SENATE BILL**

No. 1428

# **Introduced by Senator Kehoe**

February 21, 2008

An act to amend Sections—32634 32631, 32634, and 32661 of the Public Resources Code, relating to the San Diego River Conservancy.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1428, as amended, Kehoe. San Diego River Conservancy.

Existing law authorizes the San Diego River Conservancy to acquire and manage certain public lands in the San Diego River area. These provisions are repealed on January 1, 2010, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2010, deletes or extends that date. The governing board of the conservancy consists of 11 voting members, including the Mayor of San Diego, and 2 nonvoting members.

This bill would extend the repeal date until January 1, 2020. The bill would provide that the Mayor of San Diego or his or her designee shall be a voting member.

Existing law states that the conservancy has developed a Five Year Strategic and Infrastructure Plan that is consistent with the San Diego River Parkway Concept Plan.

This bill would delete this provision.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 32631 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

3 32631. (a) The San Diego River is a natural, historic, and 4 recreational resource in the heart of San Diego. From its headwaters near the town of Julian in east San Diego County, it runs 52 miles through Mission Valley and the first settlement in California at 6 Old Town San Diego before it empties into the Pacific Ocean at 8 Ocean Beach. The river has been subjected to intense development in some parts; it runs through one of San Diego's most populated 10 neighborhoods and is in need of restoration, conservation, and 11 enhancement all along its length. The area presents excellent opportunities for recreation, scientific research, 12 13 preservation of the first aqueduct in the United States, and educational and cultural activities, of value to California and the 14 15 nation. Reestablishing the cultural and historic connections between the San Diego River, Old Town San Diego State Historic Park, 16 17 the Military Presidio, and the Kumeyaay Nation will provide the public with the opportunity to appreciate the state's historic 18 19 beginnings. 20

- (b) Given the opportunities available, the state recognizes the importance of holding this land in trust to be preserved and enhanced for the enjoyment of present and future generations.
- (c) The San Diego River Conservancy has developed a Five Year Strategic and Infrastructure Plan which has been endorsed by its board of directors, as well as by the San Diego River Parkway Coalition, representing diverse state and local interests. The strategic plan is consistent with the San Diego River Parkway Concept Plan and outlines and establishes four programmatic areas: land conservation; recreation and education; natural and cultural resources preservation and restoration; and, water quality and natural flood conveyance.

#### SECTION 1.

- SEC. 2. Section 32634 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:
- 35 32634. (a) The governing board of the conservancy shall consist of 11 voting members and two nonvoting members.
- 37 (b) The voting members of the board shall consist of the 38 following:

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- 1 (1) The Secretary of the Resources Agency, or his or her 2 designee.
  - (2) The Director of Finance, or his or her designee.
  - (3) The Director of Parks and Recreation, or his or her designee.
  - (4) Five members of the public at large, three of whom shall be appointed by the Governor, one of whom shall be appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules, and one of whom shall be appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly.
    - (5) The Mayor of San Diego, or his or her designee.
  - (6) One member of the City Council of San Diego, elected by a majority of the membership of the council.
  - (7) One member of the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego, whose district includes the preponderance of the San Diego River watershed.
    - (c) The two nonvoting members shall consist of the following:
  - (1) The Executive Director of the Wildlife Conservation Board, or his or her designee.
  - (2) A representative selected by the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board.
  - (d) Two of the three initial appointments by the Governor pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (b) shall be for three-year terms and the third appointment shall be for a two-year term. All subsequent appointments shall be for four-year terms.
  - (e) No person shall continue as a member of the governing board if that person ceases to hold the office that qualifies that person for membership. Upon the occurrence of those events, the person's membership on the governing board shall automatically terminate. SEC. 2.
- SEC. 3. Section 32661 of the Public Resources Code is 30 amended to read:
- 31 32661. This division shall remain in effect only until January 32 1, 2020, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted 33 statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2020, deletes or extends
- 34 that date.

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# SAN DIEGO RIVER PARK 7TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

"A Night to Remember"

SEPTEMBER 18, 2008 5:30 PM-8PM

RIVERWALK GOLF CLUBHOUSE
MISSION VALLEY



The Board of Directors of the San Diego River Park
Foundation and the members of the San Diego River Coalition
cordially invite you to our 7th Anniversary Celebration

# **PROGRAM**

5:30 PM

RECEPTION BEGINS

6:30 PM

OPENING REMARKS

6:40 PM

RECOGNITION AWARDS

- Legislator of the Year
- Volunteer of the Year
- Partner of the Year
- Founders Award

7:00 PM

RECEPTION CONTINUES

# R.S.V.P. REQUESTED

619-297-7380 OR RSVP@SANDIEGORIVER.ORG

CASUAL BUSINESS ATTIRE
CATERED RECEPTION INCLUDING BEER, WINE AND
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
SILENT AUCTION AND RAFFLE
SUGGESTED DONATION:
\$10 CASH OR CHECK AT THE DOOR

# State of California San Diego River Conservancy

# EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT Meeting of <u>September 18, 2008</u>

ITEM: 6

SUBJECT: **DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT** 

This item is for Board discussion only and the Board will

take no formal action. (Hayley Peterson)

State of California
San Diego River Conservancy

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S SUMMARY REPORT Meeting of September 18, 2008

ITEM: 7

SUBJECT: Proposition 40 Allocations: Status Report/Introduction of

**New Partners** 

PURPOSE: The Governing Board will receive a Status report on the

remaining unencumbered Proposition 40 funds. The Governing Board may consider Resolution 08-05 and 08-06 to formally allocate remaining funds across two previously approved projects at this meeting and review one additional new project that will subsequently return

to the Governing Board for consideration at the

November 21, 2008 meeting.

STRATEGIC PLAN CONSISTENCY

These items will help to implement Program 2, Project 1, Recreation and Education, Complete the River Park Trail and Program 3, Project 1, Remove Invasive Non-native plants, Restore and Manage the Land, of the Five Year

Strategic and Infrastructure Plan.

BACKGROUND: Previously the Governing Board has been provided

updates on the status of the Conservancy's remaining Proposition 40 funds and has approved specific projects, some of which were still in refinement, for Proposition 40

funding. Those previously approved and now

additionally refined projects, and one new project, could encumber the remaining Proposition 40 funds by the end of 2008, well in time to meet the May 2009 deadline.

Of the remaining \$4,267,796 shown in the last update as unencumbered, two projects, Hanson Pond and the Riverford Road Trail are encumbered or will be so by the end of September 2008, leaving an unencumbered balance of \$1,918,796. 'Encumbered' means an approved

grant agreement is in place. That is a key milestone that must occur before a project can begin.

Of that unencumbered balance, the Governing Board has previously approved two projects, the Invasive Control and Restoration Program and improvements to the River Gorge Trailhead totaling \$1,718,796. Both of these projects have been in refinement and are now ready to advance to encumbrance and implementation with the approval of Resolution 08-05 and 08-06, as recommended. There is one new project included in this agenda item, a proposal from the City of Santee to extend the river trail across Mast Park West which will be introduced at this meeting and return on November 21, 2008 for final action.

A summary table, Table 1, showing amounts previously approved by the Governing Board for the unencumbered balance, and what is under consideration today, is shown below. Attachment A includes a more detailed summary of the projects.

Table 1: SDRC Projects Previously Approved and Under Consideration for Remaining Unencumbered Proposition 40 Funds

Project	Previous	Under		
	Governing Board	consideration		
	Approvals			
Invasives	\$1,287,734	\$915,020		
River Gorge	\$431,062	\$550,000		
Trailhead				
Santee Trail	No previous action	\$453,776		
Total	\$1,718,796.00	\$1,918,796.00		

THIS ACTION:

The action is for the Governing Board to hear an update on the status of unencumbered Proposition 40 funds and to approve Resolution 08-05 and 08-06, including revised funding levels for two projects, Invasives and the River Gorge Trail/Trailhead.

The executive officer is also requesting the authority, with the approval of the chair, to modify funding levels for these two projects, if in final refinement subsequent

changes are required before submittal to the Resources Agency, but still staying within the unencumbered balance of \$1,918,796.00 and retaining sufficient funding to support the Santee Trail should Governing Board members choose to do so at the meeting of November 21.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve Resolution 08-05 and 08-06 to refine earlier allocations of Proposition 40 funds. Authorize the executive officer, with the approval of the chair, to modify funding levels for the proposed projects, Invasives, and River Gorge Trail/Trailhead, up or down but still staying within the unencumbered balance of \$1,918,796.00 and retaining sufficient funding to support the Santee Trail should Governing Board members choose to do so at the meeting of November 21.

# **Attachment A:** Prop 40 Funds Remaining

Project Name	Grantee	Project Description	Project Components	Strat Plan?	SDRC Previously Approved?	Prop 40 funds approved or estimates recommended	Status
Hanson Pond Acquisition	ЕНС	Proposed acquisition of 143.5 acre Hanson Property for habitat restoration and public access to the river	Acquisition in the El Monte Valley, Lakeside	Yes	Yes 3/2/2007	\$1,521,000	Project has been encumbered by the Resources Agency but the grant agreement is not yet completed. Agreement on purchase price (\$5,000,000) and terms has been secured. EHC will assume the current reclamation plan and revise it to reflect a conservation outcome. Final details on the purchase agreement still under discussion. Estimated closing: April 2009.
Riverford Road Trail Project	Lakeside Conservancy	Construction of an additional mile of the San Diego River Trail.	Trail Construction in Lakeside	Yes	Yes 7/17/2008	\$828,000	This project was approved by SDRC at its last meeting. The grant agreement with the Resources Agency is under discussion and should be completed by the end of September 2008. The Lakeside Conservancy is working with the County and property owners regarding permitting and CEQA issues. Trail construction is estimated to begin in September 2009 and take two years to complete.
San Diego River Watershed Invasive Non- Native Plant Removal	SDSU Foundation or the San Diego River Conservancy	Control invasives and replant with natives, where required, on 49 acres of high priority habitat along the river in two key locations: Carlton Oaks and Cactus Park.	Invasives Control and Restoration, San Diego, Santee and Lakeside  Western Site: Carlton Oaks and Highway 52 undercrossing  Eastern Site: Cactus Park and Helix Water District	Yes	Yes 2/3/07 & 9/11/07	\$915,020	This project will help implement the invasive control program approved by SDRC to implement one of the core missions of the Strategic Plan, Natural Resources Preservation. The proposed sites have been identified as best meeting the criteria for Prop 40 funds while providing good opportunities for habitat enhancement. In particular, improvements proposed to the Western Site will enhance habitat for the endangered least Bell's vireo. Vireo surveys supported by SDRC have indicated that vireos have become well established on Mast Park West (the former Environmental Trust property), part of which was previously enhanced as a mitigation site. Enhancement of the proposed sites will provide new territories for vireo, thus supporting their recovery and eventual removal from the endangered species list.

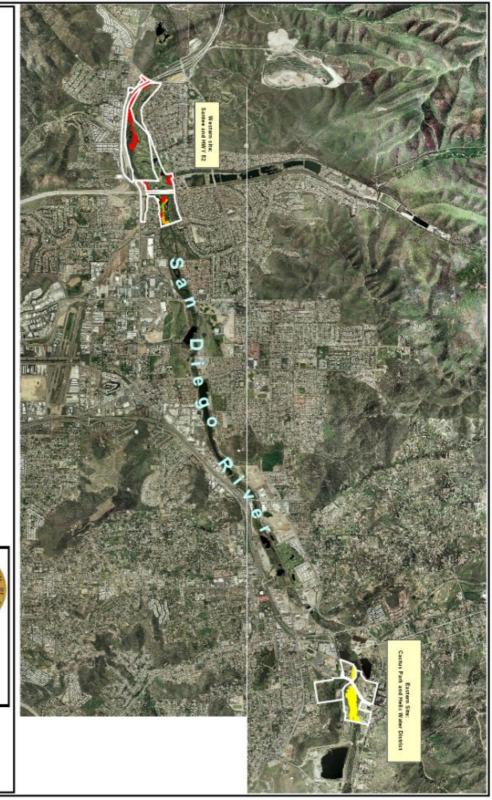
Projects that are/will soon be encumbered

Projects previously supported by the Governing Board and proposed in Resolution 08-05 and 08-06 on 9/18/08

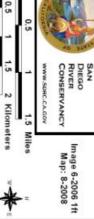
Project proposed for review on 9/18/08 and adoption on 11/21/08

# **Attachment A:** Prop 40 Funds Remaining

Project Name	Grantee	Project Description	<b>Project Components</b>	Strat Plan?	SDRC Previously Approved?	Prop 40 funds approved or estimates recommended	Status
San Diego River Gorge Trailhead and Trail Improvements	San Diego River Conservancy	This project will construct trail (approximately 2.25 miles) and trailhead improvements at the West San Diego River Gorge Trail.	Trail and Trailhead Construction, Ramona and unincorporated area	Yes	Yes 8/12/2005 10/13/06 & 9/11/07	\$550,000	Additional refinement of the trail project through the CEQA process has resulted in a need to enhance previously encumbered (\$127,204) funds set aside for the trail. Both phases were previously approved by SDRC with SDRC as grantee for the trail and Ramona Trails as grantee for the trailhead. Proposed in the revised grant will be funds to support the Forest Service's easement over Helix land at the bottom of the gorge which was not earlier anticipated to be part of this project. This proposed action will confirm SDRC as grantee for both projects and add funds to both projects to complete them to State and Federal standards. Construction is expected to start winter 2008.
Extend the San Diego River Trail from Mast Park East to Carlton Oaks across the new Mast Park West	City of Santee	The City of Santee will develop an additional 2,508 feet of the San Diego River Trail through the 43 acre Mast Park West (formerly known as the Environmental Trust property) and install a trailhead at Carlton Hills Blvd. The Mast Park West property was previously set aside as a mitigation site. The City of Santee is securing title and will operate the property as an extension of Mast Park East, consistent with their NCCP.	Trail Construction, Santee	Yes	To be reviewed on 9/18/08 and proposed for adoption on 11/21/08	\$453,776	The city will install peeler log fencing along the existing haul road that dates back to when the property was operated as a mining operation. A small trailhead with interpretive panels will be installed at Carlton Hills Boulevard to provide safe public access from the street. Trail users will also be able to cross under the Carton Hills bridge from Mast Park East to this new Mast Park West section extending recreational opportunities and access to the river while protecting habitat.
Total						\$4,267,796.00	



western site by City of Santee and Hwy 52 and the eastern site on Cactus Park (County) and Helix Water District. Figure 1. San Diego River Conservancy, River Parkways project areas:





non-native plants and re-vegetation with natives. 32.38 acres of riparian habitat: control on invasive Santee and Hwy 52. This project area will restore

Arundo

Eucalyptus

Open: mixed non-native plants

Tamarisk and open areas

0.4 0.5 0.6 Kilometers

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Palms



and Helix Water District. This project area will treat Figure 3. San Diego River Conservancy, River Parkways 23.14 acres of tamarisk and other invasive non-natives project area: sites at Cactus Park (County of San Diego)

and re-vegetate with natives.



Parcel boundaries Tamarisk and open areas with re-vegetation



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# Resolution No: 08-05 RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE SAN DIEGO RIVER CONSERVANCY

SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR
THE RIVER PARKWAYS GRANT PROGRAM UNDER THE CALIFORNIA CLEAN WATER, CLEAN AIR,
SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS, AND COASTAL PROTECTION ACT OF 2002 BY THE
SAN DIEGO RIVER CONSERVANCY OR SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY

WHEREAS, the Legislature and Governor of the State of California have provided funds for the program shown above; and
WHEREAS, the State Resources Agency has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of this grant program, establishing necessary procedures; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the State Resources Agency require a resolution certifying the approval of application by the applicant's governing board before submission of said application to the State; and

WHEREAS, the applicant, if selected, will enter into an agreement with the State of California to carry out the project

WHEREAS, the Governing Board of the San Diego River Conservancy finds the application for the **San Diego River - Invasives Removal and Restoration Program** as consistent with the Conservancy's Five Year Strategic and Infrastructure Plan, especially This item will help to implement Program 3, Project 1, Remove Invasive Non-Native Plants, Restore and Manage the Land.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the San Diego River Conservancy Board of Directors:

- Approves the filing of an \$915,000 application for the San Diego River Invasives Removal and Restoration Program by the San Diego River Conservancy or San Diego State University;
- 2. Certifies that San Diego River Conservancy understands the assurances and certification in the application form; and
- 3. Certifies that San Diego River Conservancy has or will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project; and
- Certifies that San Diego River Conservancy has reviewed and understands the Special and General Provisions contained in the Sample Project Agreement shown in the Procedural Guide; and
- Appoints the Executive Officer as agent for San Diego River Conservancy to conduct all the
  negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications,
  agreements, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the
  aforementioned project.

Approved and adopted the 18th day of September 2008. I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution Number 08-05 was duly adopted by the San Diego River Conservancy's Governing Board.

Following Roll Call Vote:	Ayes: Nos: Absent:
Michael J. Nelson, Executive Officer San Diego River Conservancy	

#### Resolution No: 08-06

# RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE SAN DIEGO RIVER CONSERVANCY SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS BY THE SAN DIEGO RIVER CONSERVANCY FOR

THE RIVER PARKWAYS GRANT PROGRAM UNDER THE CALIFORNIA CLEAN WATER, CLEAN AIR, SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS, AND COASTAL PROTECTION ACT OF 2002

WHEREAS, the Legislature and Governor of the State of California have provided funds for the program shown above; and

WHEREAS, the State Resources Agency has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of this grant program, establishing necessary procedures; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the State Resources Agency require a resolution certifying the approval of application by the applicant's governing board before submission of said application to the State; and

WHEREAS, the applicant, if selected, will enter into an agreement with the State of California to carry out the project; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the San Diego River Conservancy Board of Directors

- 1. Approves the filing of an \$550,000 River Parkways grant application for the San Diego River Gorge Trail Construction and Rehabilitation Project by the San Diego River Conservancy;
- 2. Certifies that applicant understands the assurances and certification in the application form, and
- 3. Certifies that applicant has or will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project; and
- 4. Certifies that applicant has reviewed and understands the Special and General Provisions contained in the Sample Project Agreement shown in the Procedural Guide; and
- 5. Appoints the Executive Officer as agent to conduct all the negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications, agreements, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project.

WHEREAS, the Governing Board of the San Diego River Conservancy finds an application to support Improvements to the San Diego River Gorge Trail to be consistent with the Five Year Strategic and Infrastructure Plan of the San Diego River Conservancy, especially Program 2, Projects 1.1 and 1.2.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the San Diego River Conservancy Board of Directors:

Supports the filing of an \$550,000 Proposition 40, River Parkways Grant application by the San Diego River Conservancy for the San Diego River Gorge Trail Construction and Rehabilitation Project.

Approved and adopted the 18th day of September 2008. I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing revised Resolution Number 08-06 was duly adopted by the San Diego River Conservancy's Governing Board.

Following Roll Call Vote:	Ayes: Nos: Absent:	
	Michael J. Nelson, Executive Officer San Diego River Conservancy	

# EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT Meeting of September 18, 2008

ITEM: 8

SUBJECT: Proposition 84 Allocations: Status Report / Introduction of New

Project Manager

• Presentation: Megan Cooper, California Coastal

Conservancy

San Diego River Trail, Mission Valley (163)

**Tributary Canyons** 

Proposition 84 Projects								
Project Title	C	ost Estimate	<u>Phase</u>		Funds Budgeted		<u>Partner</u>	<u>Status</u>
Tributary Canyons	\$	1,000,000.00	Desi	gn	\$	150,000	SDRC	SDRC/aprv SCCaprv
San Diego River Trail / 163	\$	1,400,000.00	Constru	uction	\$	800,000	City of SD	SDRCaprv
*Walker / Santee	\$	5,000,000.00	Acquis	sition	\$	3,000,000	TPL	SDRCaprv
RiverNet	\$	1,500,000.00	Constru	uction	\$	750,000	SDSU	SDRCaprv
*Hanson Ponds	\$	5,000,000.00	Acquis	sition	\$	1,000,000	EHC	SDRCaprv
Total	\$	13,900,000.00			\$	5,700,000		
* <u>Funds budgeted</u> for th	nese ac	equisitions may dec	rease if grar	nt applica	tions for	r them are succ	essful.	
Proposition 84 Allocations					T			
Fiscal Year 07/08 Fiscal Year 08/09					\$ \$	2,935,000 3,000,000		
Total Encumbered					\$	5,935,000 5,700,000		
<u>Balance</u>					\$	235,000		

# State of California San Diego River Conservancy

# EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT Meeting of September 18, 2008

ITEM: 9

SUBJECT: New Logo

• Selection and Adoption

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