

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2010-510**

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

August 24, 2010

### **APPROVAL OF AGREEMENTS FOR THE LOWER AMERICAN RIVER SALMONID SPAWNING GRAVEL AUGMENTATION PROJECT**

#### **BACKGROUND**

- A. The United States Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) operates facilities that regulate flows in the lower American River, which contains populations of anadromous Chinook salmon and threatened steelhead trout. Gravel is regularly lost from spawning sites on the river as a result of the construction and operation of Central Valley Project dams, bank protection projects, and other actions that reduce the availability of spawning gravel and rearing habitat in the American River downstream of Nimbus Dam.
- B. In October 2006 the City of Sacramento entered into a grant funding agreement with Reclamation, on behalf of the City County Office of Metropolitan Water Planning (CCOMWP), for grant funding of up to \$600,000 for the Lower American River Salmonid Spawning Gravel Augmentation Project being administered by the CCOMWP, expected to be completed by September 30, 2011. The purpose of the Project is to increase the availability of spawning gravel and rearing habitat for fall-run Chinook salmon and steelhead trout in the lower American River. In August 2009 the City Council authorized the acceptance of an additional \$151,000 of grant funding from Reclamation, increasing the Project budget to \$751,000.
- C. The Project budget is now being increased by \$248,695.28. This additional funding is being provided by two sources: \$148,695.28 from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), and \$100,000 from the County of Sacramento Department of Transportation. This additional funding will increase the Project budget to a total of \$999,695.28.
- D. Reclamation has chosen to utilize mining dredgings at Sailor Bar in the American River Parkway for this Project. These dredgings were identified as having significant historical value during Reclamation's environmental analysis for the Project because of the type of mining activity that produced the dredgings. Reclamation proposes to mitigate for the use of these dredgings by developing an interpretive exhibit about historic mining activities in the Parkway. This mitigation is the subject of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between Reclamation, the County of Sacramento Parks Department (County Parks) and the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). The CCOMWP, on behalf of the Water Forum, has been asked to sign this MOA as a concurring party.

**BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

- Section 1. The City Manager or the City Manager's designee is authorized to execute an Agreement with the County of Sacramento Department of Transportation to accept \$100,000 in additional funding for additional gravel augmentation to satisfy mitigation requirements associated with the County's Watt Avenue Bridge Widening project.
- Section 2. The City Manager or the City Manager's designee is authorized to execute a Cooperative Agreement with USFWS to accept additional Project funding in the amount of \$148,695.28.
- Section 3. The City Manager or the City Manager's designee is authorized to execute a Memorandum of Agreement with Reclamation, SHPO and County Parks regarding effects to historic properties from the acquisition of gravel from Sailor Bar on the American River.
- Section 4. The City Manager or the City Manager's designee is authorized to increase the Habitat Management Element funding (Fund 7104) revenue and expenditure budgets for G14000200 by \$248,695.28.
- Section 5. Exhibits A, B and C are part of this Resolution.

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Exhibit A:	Agreement with the County of Sacramento Department of Transportation
Exhibit B:	Cooperative Agreement with USFWS
Exhibit C:	Memorandum of Agreement with Reclamation, SHPO and County Parks

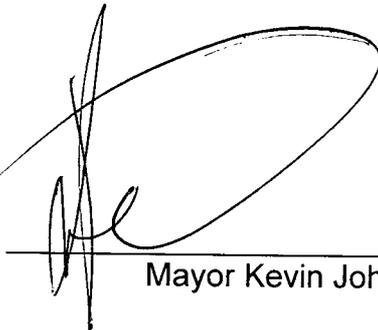
Adopted by the City of Sacramento City Council on August 24, 2010 by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Cohn, Fong, Hammond, McCarty, Pannell, Sheedy, Tretheway, Waters, and Mayor Johnson.

Noes: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.



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Mayor Kevin Johnson

Attest:

  
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Shirley Concolino, City Clerk