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Notice of Meeting

WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD

August 30, 2018, 10:00 a.m.

Natural Resources Building, First Floor Auditorium
1416 9th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Public Welcome

Preliminary Agenda Items

Item Number

1. Roll Call
2. Public Forum for Items not on the Agenda
3. Funding Status — Informational
4. Proposed Consent Calendar (Items 5 – 13)
- *5. Approval of Minutes — May 24, 2018
- *6. Recovery of Funds

*Proposed Consent Calendar

- *7. Crescent City Marsh WA, Expansion 2** **\$0.00**
Del Norte County
To consider the acceptance of 133± acres of land by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife to satisfy a natural resource damage mitigation requirement of the California Department of Transportation contained in a Stipulated Judgement. The property is located near Crescent City in Del Norte County.
- *8 Garibaldi Land Exchange, Phase II** **\$75,000.00**
Solano County
To consider the exchange of 336± acres owned by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) for 226± acres, owned by Pacific Flyway Fund to serve as a consolidation of CDFW's Grizzly Island Wildlife Area, located in the Suisun Marsh near the City of Fairfield in Solano County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition, enhancement or restoration of wetlands in the Central Valley. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(d), Inland Wetlands Conservation Program]
- *9. East Contra Costa County HCP/NCCP (Poppi/Halstead)** **\$0.00**
Contra Costa County
To consider the acceptance of a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Habitat Conservation Plan Land Acquisition grant and the approval to subgrant these federal funds to the East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservancy for a cooperative project with the East Bay Regional Park District to acquire 72± acres of land for the protection and preservation of existing regional wildlife linkages, including grassland, oak woodland, oak savanna, seasonal wetland, and creek habitat areas within the East Contra Costa County Habitat Conservation Plan/Natural Community Conservation Plan, located in the Diablo Mountain Range, west of the City of Brentwood in Contra Costa County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition and protection of habitats that are critical to the sustainability of threatened or endangered species. [Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006 (Proposition 84), Public Resources Code Section 75055(c)(SSJD-NCCP)]
- *10. Sinnot Parcel – OSPR Oil Mitigation Fund Project** **\$0.00**
San Mateo County
To consider the acquisition of a conservation easement over 160± acres of land by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and to accept settlement funds from the U.S. Department of the Interior Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration Fund for the protection of threatened and endangered species, open-space, and habitat values for wildlife, fish, and plant species including its value as nesting habitat for marbled murrelets, located near Pescadero in San Mateo County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition of habitat to protect rare, endangered, threatened or fully protected species. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(b/c)]

- *11. Morongo Basin Expansions 2 and 3** **\$196,250.00**
San Bernardino County
To consider the allocation for two grants to the Mojave Desert Land Trust to acquire 247± acres of land from two separate owners for the protection of desert habitat corridors in the Morongo Basin, located near the community of Joshua Tree in San Bernardino County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition of habitat to protect rare, endangered, threatened or fully protected species. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(b/c)]
- *12. Jamul Creek Watershed Riparian Restoration, Augmentation** **\$375,000.00**
San Diego County
To consider the allocation for an augmentation to an existing grant to River Partners to restore 36 additional acres of riparian and coastal sage scrub habitat at the Hollenbeck Wildlife Area in San Diego County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition, restoration or enhancement of riparian habitat and aquatic habitat for salmonids and trout [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(e/f)], and to protect or enhance a flood protection corridor or bypass. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(e/f) (Proposition 1E)]
- *13. San Dieguito River Riparian Habitat Restoration, Augmentation** **\$345,000.00**
San Diego County
To consider the allocation for an augmentation to an existing grant to River Partners for a cooperative project with the City of San Diego (City) to restore 100± acres of riparian and oak woodland habitat on City property located approximately two miles upstream of Lake Hodges, near Escondido in San Diego County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition, restoration or enhancement of riparian habitat and aquatic habitat for salmonids and trout [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(e/f)], and to protect or enhance a flood protection corridor or bypass. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(e/f) (Proposition 1E)]
- 14. Lake Earl Wildlife Area, Estuary Dunes Restoration** **\$300,000.00**
Del Norte County
To consider the allocation for a grant to Friends of the Dunes for a cooperative project with the Tolowa Dunes Stewards, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) and the California Department of Parks and Recreation to restore natural processes to coastal dune and sand spit habitats on CDFW's Lake Earl Wildlife Area, located near Crescent City in Del Norte County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition, development, rehabilitation, restoration and protection of habitat to promote the recovery of threatened and endangered species, to provide corridors linking separate habitat areas to prevent habitat fragmentation, and to protect significant natural landscapes and ecosystems and other significant habitat areas. [California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe

Neighborhood Parks and Coastal Protection Fund (Proposition 40), Public Resources Code Section 5096.650(a)]

**15. Willow Creek Wildlife Area Meadow Enhancement \$225,000.00
Lassen County**

To consider the allocation for a grant to Ducks Unlimited, Inc., for a cooperative project with the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service to enhance meadows and restore riparian habitat on the California Department of Fish and Wildlife's Willow Creek Wildlife Area, located 17± miles north of the City of Susanville in Lassen County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition, enhancement or restoration of wetlands to protect or enhance a flood protection corridor or bypass outside the Central Valley. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(d)(Proposition 1E), Wetlands Outside the Central Valley]

**16. Honey Lake Wildlife Area Water Infrastructure Improvements \$396,000.00
Lassen County**

To consider the allocation for a grant to Ducks Unlimited, Inc., for a cooperative project with the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) to drill a deep well, rehabilitate a second deep well and install pipelines on CDFW's Honey Lake Wildlife Area, located 22± miles east of the City of Susanville in Lassen County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition, enhancement or restoration of wetlands outside the Central Valley. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(d), Wetlands Outside the Central Valley]

**17. Indian Creek \$1,250,000.00
Mendocino County**

To consider the allocation for a grant to the Northcoast Regional Land Trust for a cooperative project with the California Natural Resource Agency and the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation to acquire a conservation easement over 2,703± acres of land for the protection of a mixed conifer working forest, including riparian corridors, salmonid streams, coastal watersheds and habitat linkages located near the community of Whitethorn in Mendocino County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for forest conservation and protection projects to promote the ecological integrity and economic stability of California's diverse native forests through forest conservation, preservation and restoration of productive managed forest lands, forest reserve areas, redwood forests and other forest types, including the conservation of water resources and natural habitats for native fish, wildlife and plants found on these lands. [Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006 (Proposition 84), Public Resources Code Section 75055(a)]

- 18. Laursen Outback Preserve** **\$600,000.00**
Placer County
To consider the allocation for a grant to Placer Land Trust to acquire in fee 333± acres of land for the protection of native oak woodland habitat, and provide future wildlife oriented public use opportunities located near Auburn in Placer County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition, development, rehabilitation, restoration and protection of habitat to promote the recovery of threatened and endangered species, to provide corridors linking separate habitat areas to prevent habitat fragmentation, and to protect significant natural landscapes and ecosystems and other significant habitat areas. [California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks and Coastal Protection Fund (Proposition 40), Public Resources Code Section 5096.650(a)]
- 19. Pacific Union College Forest** **\$3,500,000.00**
Napa County
To consider the acquisition of a conservation easement over 864± acres of land by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) under the California Forest Legacy Program Act of 2007, and the allocation of a grant to CAL FIRE of up to \$3,500,000.00 to protect a mixed conifer forest in Angwin in Napa County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for forest conservation and protection projects to promote the ecological integrity and economic stability of California's diverse native forests through forest conservation, preservation and restoration of productive managed forest lands, forest reserve areas, redwood forests and other forest types, including the conservation of water resources and natural habitats for native fish, wildlife and plants found on these lands. [Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006 (Proposition 84), Public Resources Code Section 75055(a)]
- 20. Lower American River Natural Resources Management Plan** **\$500,000.00**
Sacramento County
To consider the allocation for a grant to Sacramento County Regional Parks for the development of a Natural Resources Management Plan, including State and federal environmental review, for the Lower American River, from Hazel Avenue downstream to the confluence of the American and Sacramento Rivers in Sacramento County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows expenditures to be made available to the Lower American River Conservancy Program pursuant to the Lower American River Conservancy Program Act (Public Resources Code Section 5845 et seq.). [California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection and Outdoor Access for All Fund of 2018 (Proposition 68), Public Resources Code Section 80100(a)(3)]
- 21. El Dorado Ranch Phase III** **\$2,500,000.00**
El Dorado County
To consider the allocation for a grant to the American River Conservancy (ARC) to acquire in fee 1,018± acres of land for a cooperative project with the California Natural Resources Agency, California Wildlife Foundation, and El Dorado County

for the protection and preservation of oak woodland habitat, and to provide for potential future wildlife oriented public use opportunities. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which provide funding for the acquisition and protection of habitat to promote the recovery of threatened and endangered species and to protect corridors linking separate habitat areas, to prevent habitat fragmentation, and to protect significant natural landscapes and ecosystems and other significant habitat areas.

[California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks and Coastal Protection Fund (Proposition 40), Public Resources Code Section 5096.650(a)]

**22. Willow Creek Ranch \$600,000.00
San Benito County**

To consider the allocation for a grant to the California Rangeland Trust for a cooperative project with the Bureau of Reclamation to acquire a working lands conservation easement over 4,459± acres of land for the protection of native oak woodlands, annual grasslands and riparian areas, and threatened and endangered habitat located near the community of Paicines in San Benito County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for the acquisition, development, rehabilitation, restoration and protection of habitat to promote the recovery of threatened and endangered species, to provide corridors linking separate habitat areas to prevent habitat fragmentation, and to protect significant natural landscapes and ecosystems and other significant habitat areas. [California Clean Water, Clean Air, Safe Neighborhood Parks and Coastal Protection Fund (Proposition 40), Public Resources Code Section 5096.650(a)]

**23. San Joaquin River Parkway, River Center Public Access \$400,000.00
Improvements
Fresno County**

To consider the allocation for a grant to the San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust (Trust) for a cooperative project with the San Joaquin River Conservancy and other private donors to improve and construct public use and interpretive features, and install a solar power system at the Trust's 20± acre Coke Hallowell Center for River Studies, located 2± miles east of State Route 41 in Fresno County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which allows for river parkway projects identified by the San Joaquin River Conservancy. [Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Fund of 2006 (Proposition 84), Public Resources Code Section 75050(f)]

**24. Triangle Ranch \$3,400,000.00
Los Angeles County**

To consider the allocation for a grant to the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for a cooperative project with the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy to acquire in fee 70± acres of land for the protection of chaparral, coastal sage scrub, native grasslands and oak woodland-savannah habitat and to protect populations of the federally endangered Lyon's pentachaeta located near the community of Agoura Hills in Los Angeles County. The purposes of this project are consistent with the authorized uses of the proposed funding source, which

allows for the acquisition of habitat to protect rare, endangered, threatened or fully protected species. [Habitat Conservation Fund (Proposition 117), Fish and Game Code Section 2786(b/c)]

25. Lower American River Conservancy Program **Information/Action**

Staff will provide informational update and seek approval of Program Guidelines and the 2018 Proposal Solicitation.

26. Strategic Plan Update

Informational item regarding the update of WCB's Strategic Plan, as required by Proposition 68.

27. Discuss and Act on Board Administrative Items

- New Business
- Next WCB Meeting – November 15, 2018

Adjourn

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