

Meeting Minutes

Environmental Enhancement Committee Meeting

1330 Broadway, 11th Floor

Oakland, CA 94612

11th Floor Conference Room

December 13, 2012, 10:00 a.m.

<http://www.dfg.ca.gov/ospr/EnvironmentalEnhancement.asp>

Public comments were to be accepted but no members of the public attended or have commented.

The meeting began at 10:18 AM. In attendance were the three Environmental Enhancement Committee (EEC) members, Tom Cullen, Sam Schuchat, and by telephone conference Stephanie Tom Coupe. Julie Yamamoto and Bruce Joab were in attendance, and Cassaundra White was also on the telephone with Kathy Verrue-Slater from DFG-OSPR.

The amount available for award in fiscal year 2013-2014 was reported to be \$201,370. Bruce Joab did a very short briefing on where we are in the Environmental Enhancement Fund (EEF) process.

Deliberation by the committee began, and Sam Schuchat moved that the following multi-year funding be considered for funding:

Fiscal Year 2013-2014 (beginning July 1, 2013) as follows;

- \$50,000.00 to "Dune Restoration at Morro Strand State Beach", EEF12-012 submitted by the California Department of Parks and Recreation
- \$151,370.00 to "Point Arena II Resource Lands Conservation", EEF12-024 submitted by The Trust for Public Land

Fiscal Year 2014-2015 (beginning July 1, 2014) as follows;

- \$50,000.00 to "Dune Restoration at Morro Strand State Beach", EEF12-012 submitted by the California Department of Parks and Recreation
- \$12,500.00 to "Wetland Restoration, Piedras Blancas Light Station Outstanding Natural Area", EEF12-007 submitted by Piedras Blancas Light Station Association
- \$201,500.00 to "Peyton Slough Hydraulic Relief Project, a project supporting the restoration of McNabney Marsh", EEF12-009 submitted by the Dorothy M. Sakazaki Environmental Endowment Fund

Fiscal Year 2015-2016 (beginning July 1, 2015) as follows;

- \$50,000.00 to “Dune Restoration at Morro Strand State Beach”, EEF12-012 submitted by the California Department of Parks and Recreation
- \$214,000.00 to “Peyton Slough Hydraulic Relief Project, a project supporting the restoration of McNabney Marsh”, EEF12-009 submitted by the Dorothy M. Sakazaki Environmental Endowment Fund

Stephanie Tom Coupe seconded the motion, a vote was held. A unanimous vote by the EEC occurred in support of the motion as indicated. The committee also agreed that funds for the “Point Arena II Resource Lands Conservation” acquisition would remain in the EEF for now and would be placed into escrow at the appropriate time. If the purchase does not go forward, a new meeting of the EEC be held to discuss an alternative project. Additionally, the EEC stated that they will meet again if and/or when a change in the allowed spending from the Environmental Enhancement Fund is achieved (ie. by a Budget Change Proposal, etc.).

Based on the multi-year funding plan approved by the EEC, if no earlier meeting is triggered as described above, the next request for proposals for funding from the EEF will be in 2015, with an EEC meeting after such time to consider funding awards for the fiscal year 2016-2017 (beginning July 1, 2016).

The EEC also requested that quarterly updates be provided on the projects that are funded by the EEF.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:01 AM.