Location and Time:

Monday, June 7th, 2021 at 10:30 am
Via Zoom Conference Call

1. Roll call / Quorum
   Supervisors Bruno Sabatier (County- BOS), Supervisor Eddie Crandell (County- BOS), Scott De Leon (County Water Resources Department), Marina Deligiannis (County Water Resources Department), Peter Windrem (Middle Creek Restoration Coalition), Harry Lyons (Middle Creek Restoration Coalition)

2. Consideration of Items Not Appearing on the Posted Agenda (Extra Items)
   2.1 Representative meeting with Assemblymember Cecilia Aguilar-Curry & Senator Mike McGuire (or staff) later today. Any feedback from the committee on anything that we may not have prepared.  Supervisor Sabatier reached out to our state representatives and will be talking to Assemblymember Aguilar-Curry and Senator McGuire’s Chief of Staff Jason Liles and District Representative Taylor Morrison.

   2.2 Expectations, limitations and guidelines of the committee. For future items we need to reach out to staff to add them to the agenda and see if it is something we all would like to move forward on as a board. Try to take in consideration of the workload capacity of staff members.

   Motion: (Both Items 2.1 & 2.2) Supervisor Bruno Sabatier motioned, seconded by Deputy Director Marina Deligiannis. All Ayes- Approved.

3. Board Action
   3.1 Approve minutes from May 3rd, 2021 Middle Creek Project Committee Meeting

   Motion: Supervisor Bruno Sabatier motioned, seconded by Harry Lyons. All Ayes approved.

4. Project Area Parcel Acquisition
   4.1 Discussion of Middle Creek Parcel Acquisition

   The district has now made offers to the Clearlake Duck Club and Sino American Buddhist Association. Mountanos we received a counter offer, in which we sent to the State with documentations, and we do not anticipate the state to not approve that because it is under the ten percent. We are also working on the partial parcel acquisitions. We have explored any other option to help with deadlines. We looked into easements, but they would create more trouble and issues rather than purchasing the properties outright. We have a local surveyor working on plats and Jeremy also has another surveyor that he works with that can help with those as well. We will be reducing the number of partial parcel acquisitions and work with more buying entire properties to help speed things up. Appraisals cannot be completed until the legal and plats are done. Hopefully by the end of July the plats and legals will be done.

5. California Department of Water Resources (DWR)
   5.1 Discuss updates and next steps in communications with the DWR
Deputy Director Deligiannis is working on the Letter of Request for Extension and hopes to get it out soon. By the next meeting we will have the two most recent progress reports done and ready to share with the committee. There will be a follow-up conversation with the state after the conversation with our elected officials today.

6. Army Corps

6.1 Letter to be sent from the Board of Supervisors to Congressmen Garamendi and Thompson

The most important thing about this letter is that it goes to Garamendi and Thompson’s staff and possibly make it to the Army Corp Work Plan. This letter is to be signed by Supervisor Crandell and Supervisor Sabatier. Supervisor Sabatier suggested to change that in the second paragraph at the end that Lake County is prepared with its District portion for the project, so we are asking for them to move forward because we are ready. Also to note the Supervisor Crandell should show that he is the Vice-Chair of the Board of Supervisors for the County of Lake.

Motion to approve letter with amendments discussed at this meeting: Supervisor Bruno Sabatier motioned, seconded by Deputy Director Marina Deligiannis. All Ayes approved.

6.2 Discuss updates and next steps in communications with the Army Corps

Harry Lyons found on the Feasibility Study with Army Corp that it states that they do not allow projects to have easements; that the non-federal sponsor will purchase outright. Letter from the Board of Supervisors to DWR in support of the extension. This will be going to the Board of Supervisors July 15th and we can get it out as soon as it was signed. Letter of Intent to the Army Corp signed by the Board of Supervisors. Deputy Director Deligiannis believes that this has already been sent and she will be checking up on this.

7. PG&E

7.1 Discuss updates and next steps in communications with PG&E

No updates at this time. But we need to get this back to the table. We need to figure out what the steps are before it becomes a problem because everything else is done. We need to either bring them to the committee or have a subcommittee for it.

Supervisor Sabatier noted to put Caltrans back on the agenda because it will take some time. We will need to make sure Hwy 20 is ready for this project to move forward.

8. Legislative

8.1 Discuss updates and next steps in communications with Legislative

Nothing at this time. There will be more information on this after the scheduled meeting with elected officials later this afternoon.

9. Project Funding

9.1 Discussion of Budget Request for Middle Creek Project
At the end of fiscal year 21/22 there will be 9 million dollars in reserve in cannabis taxes. Supervisor Sabatier has already started drafting a letter to bring to the Board of Supervisors asking to utilize it temporarily with the plan to pay it all back.

10. Public Expression

Irena Quitiquit is thrilled that we are meeting with Assemblymember Aguilar-Curry and Congressman Thompson and is very hopeful with how the project is going. Terre Logsdon urged the committee to get PG&E on board as soon as possible.

11. Non-Timed Items

11.1 Discussion on how our meetings will be held (In-Person/Zoom)

See items 2.1 and 2.2 above for additional non-timed items.

12. Next Meeting Scheduled for: Monday, July 12th, 2021 at 10:30 am PST via Zoom Conference Call

13. Adjournment

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