

# SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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**Agenda Number:**  
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**Department Name:** Planning & Development  
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**If Yes, date from:**

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** John Patton, Director  
Planning and Development

Jennifer Briggs  
Director of Parks

**STAFF CONTACT:** Dave Ward, Planner  
568-2072

**SUBJECT:** Authorization for two Coastal Conservancy Grant Contracts

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## Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors adopt the attached resolution to authorize the execution of contracts with the California Coastal Conservancy for two grant awards under the Southern California Wetlands Recovery Program (SCWRP):

1. Grant award for the Devereux Slough/Ellwood Mesa Regional Open Space and Development Master Plan (also known as the Joint Proposal for the Ellwood-Devereux Coast) in the amount of \$110,000 to prepare a restoration plan and environmental review for the planning project. Authorize the Planning and Development Director, or designee, to execute the Grant Agreement Contract No. 01-181 and all subsequent agreements or amendments with the Coastal Conservancy in accordance with the resolution.
2. Grant award for the Summerland Greenwell Preserve Enhancement Plan in the amount of \$40,000 to implement restoration and enhancement of the park site. Authorize the Parks Director, or designee, to execute the Grant Agreement Contract No. 01-182 and all subsequent agreements or amendments with the Coastal Conservancy in accordance with the resolution.

**Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:** The recommendation is primarily aligned with Goal No. 2. A Safe and Healthy Community in Which to Live, Work, and Visit and Goal No. 5. A High Quality of Life for All Residents.

## Executive Summary and Discussion:

*Devereux Slough/Ellwood Mesa Regional Open Space and Development Master Plan*

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This project, more recently known as the *Joint Proposal for the Ellwood-Devereux Coast*, is a planning effort proposed by the County, the University of California and Santa Barbara Development Partnership, to regionally resolve University housing needs, private property development entitlements and resource protection of sensitive habitats along the Ellwood Mesa and larger the Devereux Slough. The Board initiated this collaborative effort on August 14, 2001. As of February 1<sup>st</sup>, the City of Goleta will assume jurisdiction over this former County park property and the Santa Barbara Development Partnership parcel. Award of this grant will provide funding to continue development of a draft Habitat and Open Space Management Plan and preparation of an environmental impact report (see Attachment A for further details). Funding for the public hearing process through the local jurisdictions (City of Goleta, County of Santa Barbara, and UC Regents) and certification by the Coastal Commission would come from other secured and pending funding sources.

#### *Summerland Greenwell Preserve Enhancement Plan*

The Summerland Greenwell Preserve is a 1.8 acre site located along Greenwell Creek in Summerland. The Parks Department, working the Summerland Citizens Association (SCA) developed the Summerland Greenwell Preserve Enhancement Plan to restore the site with native vegetation and provide on-site park facilities. Award of this grant will fund Phase Two of the project, to improve the habitat quality along the Greenwell Creek by removing invasive exotic vegetation and the planting of native riparian, chaparral and coastal sage scrub species. A future phase of the project will include final park development, including pathways, benches, chipsealing parking area and informational signs (see Attachment B for further details).

#### **Mandates and Service Levels:**

No change in programs or service levels.

#### **Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

All costs for implementing the scope of work of the Joint Proposal for the Ellwood-Devereux Coast will be offset by a series of funding sources: Coastal Impact Assistance Program (CIAP); Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund (CREF) grant; Coastal Resources (AB 1431) Grant; funding provided by the University of California and Santa Barbara Development Partnership; and funding provided under this grant agreement. For the Summerland Greenwell Preserve Enhancement Plan, costs for Phase Two will be provided under this grant agreement.

#### **Special Instructions:**

Clerk of the Board will forward a copy of the Minute Order to Planning and Development Department, the Parks Department, and the Goleta City Council (forward to Dave Ward for mailing).

#### **Concurrence:**

County Counsel

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A: Coastal Conservancy Contract No. 01-081

Attachment B: Coastal Conservancy Contract No. 01-082

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