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Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407 Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 568-2240 Agenda Number:Prepared on:4/20/05Department Name:ParksDepartment No.:052Agenda Date:5/3/05Placement:AdministrativeEstimate Time:Continued Item:NOIf Yes, date from:

Board of Supervisors
Rick Wheeler Director of Parks
Coleen Lund x2470
Proposition 12 Reallocation of per capita funds to replacement of Richardson Park Pedestrian Bridges; Fifth Supervisorial District

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors approve the reallocation of \$102,500 from the Proposition 12 Roberti Z'Berg-Harris per capita funds from the Santa Maria Levee Bikeway project to the replacement of pedestrian bridges at Richardson Park.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan: The recommendation(s) are primarily aligned with Goal No. 5.A High Quality of Life for All Residents.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

In November 2002, the Board approved a list of projects for allocation of approximately \$4 million in per capita funds allocated to the County under the Proposition 12 and Proposition 40 park bond acts. In particular, the November 2002 list, at the request of the then current Fifth District Supervisorial office, included an allocation of \$102,500 towards partial funding of the Santa Maria levee bikeway project (no other funding has been identified to date for this \$1 million project).

Over the last year, Parks staff has been working with Supervisor Centeno's office in an outreach program to the residents of Cuyama. One of the priority projects of the community is the replacement of the two pedestrian bridges located within Richardson Park. These bridges connect the community not only to the park but allow a safe path of travel to the high school located east of the park. County Parks staff has made interim repairs to the bridges allowing them to remain open while the Park Department has sought funds to replace the bridges. Due to the poor condition of the existing bridges and the community priority for the project, County Parks staff requests that the funds previously proposed for the Santa Maria Levee Bikeway be reallocated to the replacement of the two bridges.

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Other funds that will be secured to complete the project include an existing allocation from Quimby and Fiscal Year 2005-06 General Fund Deferred Maintenance funds. County Parks will continue to work with Fifth and Fourth District offices as may be requested should there be a desire to move the levee bikeway project forward.

Your approval of this recommendation will allow County Parks to work with the granting agency to allocate the Proposition 12 funds towards this bridge replacement project.

Mandates and Service Levels: There is no mandate or impact to service levels with this action.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts: The soils testing and design of the project is currently underway utilizing a quimby appropriation of \$10,500. \$40,000 will be requested in the Fiscal Year 2005-06 budget as part of County Parks General Fund Deferred Maintenance allocation for a total project allocation (including this Prop 12 grant) in the Parks Accumulative Capital Budget of \$153,000.

Special Instructions: Clerk of the Board to provide a copy of the minute order to County Parks; attn. Coleen Lund.

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