

**City of Carson City
Agenda Report**

Date Submitted: May 29, 2012

Agenda Date Requested: June 7, 2012
Time Requested: Consent

To: Mayor and Supervisors

From: Parks and Recreation Department

Subject Title: For possible action to authorize the Mayor or his designee to sign a letter directed to the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act - Parks, Trails and Natural Areas program in support of Carson City's grant request recommended for Round 13. (Juan F. Guzman)

Staff Summary: The Bureau of Land Management has called for a 45-day written comments period on the Round 13 preliminary recommendations for nominated projects for the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act grants. Carson City's nominated project, the Carson River trail system - Eagle Valley Creek segment, under the Parks, Trails and Natural Areas category has been preliminarily ranked second. The dollar amount of the requested grant is for \$264,700. It is important to submit letters of support since the preliminary recommendation will be the subject of subsequent reviews by the Executive Committee and finally the Secretary of the Interior.

Type of Action Requested: (check one)

- Resolution Ordinance
 Formal Action/Motion Other (Specify)

Does This Action Require A Business Impact Statement: Yes No

Recommended Board Action: I move to authorize the Mayor or his designee to sign a letter directed to the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act - Parks, Trails and Natural Areas program in support of Carson City's grant request recommended for Round 13.

Explanation for Recommended Board Action: Staff has prepared the attached letter for the signature of the Mayor expressing the Board of Supervisors' support for the Carson River Trail System - Eagle Valley Creek Segment, consisting of the installation of a non-motorized bridge and a 12' x 300' decomposed granite trail to link existing trails to Morgan Mill and Riverview Park.

Applicable Statue, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation:

Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act - Parks, Trails and Natural Areas grant program regulations

Fiscal Impact: None. The grant is for 100% of the estimated cost of the project.


Explanation of Impact: Writing and mailing the letter will not have a negative fiscal impact.

Funding Source: Open Space accounts


Alternatives: Not to write the letter.

Supporting Material:


Letter to the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act - Parks, Trails and Natural Areas Program

Prepared By:  Date: 5/29/12
Juan F. Guzman, Open Space Manager

Reviewed By:  Date: 5/29/12
Roger Moellendorf, Parks & Recreation Director

 Date: 5/29/12
Lawrence A. Werner, City Manager

 Date: 5/29/12
District Attorney's Office

 Date: 5/31/12
Finance Department

Board Action Taken:

Motion: _____ 1: _____ Aye/Nay
2: _____

(Vote Recorded By)



CARSON CITY, NEVADA
CONSOLIDATED MUNICIPALITY AND STATE CAPITAL

June 7, 2012

Ms. Amy Lueders
SNPLMA Executive Committee Chair
BLM Nevada State Office
1340 Financial Boulevard
Reno, NV 89502-7147

Re: Support of the Carson City nomination for a Parks, Trails and Natural Areas grant,
Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act - Round 13

Dear Ms. Lueders,

On behalf of the Carson City Board of Supervisors and our residents, please accept this letter in support of Carson City's project nomination for Round 13 of the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act - Parks, Trails and Natural Areas category for the design and construction of the "Eagle Valley Creek trail segment." This project is located in the vicinity of the Carson River between the Empire Ranch Trail and the Riverview Park trail in Carson City, Nevada.

The proposed project, which has an estimated cost of \$264,700, calls for the design and installation of two prefabricated bridges to cross Eagle Valley Creek and approximately 300 linear feet of decomposed granite trail that will link existing miles of trails to the north and to the south. The improvements will be specifically designed to cross Eagle Valley Creek and to comply with floodway regulations. The facilities are proposed in the heart of an existing natural park area that has been developed in Carson City through the purchase of properties including the Bently acquisition project (CR-1), a fee title purchase that was facilitated by a prior grant through the Parks, Trails and Natural Areas category in Round 11. To the south of the site where the crossing is proposed lies Riverview Park, one of our most used parks which contains a complex of trails and provides passive recreation improvements adjacent to the river. Once this trail connection is completed, a hiker, bicyclist, or equestrian user near downtown Carson City will be able to access the river area approximately 4 miles west of Carson City through a network of off-road non-motorized multi-purpose trails.

I anticipate that the Executive Committee will share the enthusiasm that our residents show for this project and will forward the Secretary of the Interior a recommendation to fully fund this proposal.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Crowell
Mayor

cc: Board of Supervisors

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