

MONTEREY PENINSULA REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

DATE: August 2, 2023
TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Jake Smith, Planning & Conservation Program Manager
REVIEWED BY: Lew Bauman, Interim General Manager
SUBJECT: Review and Approval of Resolution 2023-09 Approving the Application for Grant Funds from the Wildlife Conservation Board for the Rancho Cañada Floodplain Restoration Project

SUMMARY:

Staff are requesting that the Board approve the application for grant funds from the Wildlife Conservation Board for the Rancho Cañada Floodplain Restoration Project.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Rancho Cañada Floodplain Restoration Project (Project) is estimated to cost approximately \$25-30 million dollars to construct. The subject application for grant funds from the Wildlife Conservation Board is for \$19.4 million dollars toward funding of the Project.

FUNDING SOURCE:

N/A

DISCUSSION:

The Rancho Cañada Floodplain Restoration Project (Project) is in the final phases of design and permitting and remains on track to begin construction in summer 2024 but is not yet fully funded. The Project team also submitted a pre-application for grant funding to the Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) in summer 2022 and were invited to submit a full application for the Project. The Project team has prepared a grant application for grant funding in the amount of \$19.4M to help close the Project's funding gap (**ATTACHMENT 1**).

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The WCB requires that grant applicants submit a resolution approving the application before it is submitted. Staff respectfully recommend the Board adopt Resolution 2023-09 approving the application for grant funds from the Wildlife Conservation Board for the Rancho Cañada Floodplain Restoration Project, substantially as to form (**ATTACHMENT 2**).

ATTACHMENTS:

1. [Application for Grant Funds from the Wildlife Conservation Board for the Rancho Cañada Floodplain Restoration Project](#)
2. [Resolution #2023-09 Approving the Application for Grant Funds from the Wildlife Conservation Board for the Rancho Cañada Floodplain Restoration Project](#)