



County of Sonoma
State of California

Date: June 12, 2023

Item Number: _____

Resolution Number: _____

4/5 Vote Required

**Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California,
Approving A Grant For The Roger's Ridge Shaded Fuel Break Project (The Sonoma Land Trust
Preserves Vegetation Treatment Project), Making Findings As A Responsible Agency,
Adopting A Statement of Overriding Considerations, And Adopting An Addendum To The
California Vegetation Treatment Program Environmental Impact Report As A Responsible
Agency.**

Whereas, the Board of Supervisors authorized the distribution of PG&E Settlement funds to create the Sonoma County Vegetation Management Grant Program;

Whereas, the Sonoma County Vegetation Management Grant Program provides resources and grant funding for vegetation management in areas at high-risk of wildfire;

Whereas, the Sonoma Land Trust Preserves Vegetation Treatment Project is a project that is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) that is seeking Sonoma County Vegetation Management Grant Program funding;

Whereas, the California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection adopted the California Vegetation Treatment Program Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (CalVTP PEIR), to be used by responsible agencies for streamlining critical vegetation management projects;

Whereas, pursuant to the requirements and intent of CalVTP, the Northern Sonoma County Fire Protection District prepared a Project Specific Analysis (PSA) and Addendum for The Sonoma Land Trust Preserves Vegetation Treatment Project, adopting a Mitigation and Monitoring Reporting Program (MMRP);

Whereas, the Northern Sonoma County Fire Protection District is the lead agency for this project, and the County is a responsible agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA);

Whereas, as a responsible agency, the Board of Supervisors has reviewed and considered the information contained in the CalVTP PEIR, the PSA, and the associated Addendum, and has considered the environmental effects of the project, prior to reaching its decision on the project, and has reached its own independent conclusions on whether and under what conditions to fund the project.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Board of Supervisors authorizes the County Administrator to execute a grant agreement for the Sonoma Land Trust Preserves Vegetation Treatment Project in a form approved by County Counsel;

Be It Further Resolved that this Board:

1. Adopts the Northern Sonoma County Fire Protection District's Project Specific Analysis and Addendum as a responsible agency (Exhibit A);
2. Concurs with each of the findings concerning environmental impacts and mitigation measures in the Northern Sonoma County Fire Protection District Findings and Statement of Overriding Considerations for CEQA Project-Specific Analysis and Addendum Regarding the Sonoma Land Trust Preserves Vegetation Treatment Project (Exhibit B), incorporates those findings by reference into this Resolution, makes each of those findings.
3. Finds that finds that there are no additional feasible alternatives or feasible mitigation measures within the County's jurisdiction that would substantially lessen or avoid any significant effect the project would have on the environment.
4. Finds that the triggers for additional environmental review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15162 are not met.

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5. Concurs with and adopts the Statement of Overriding Considerations in Exhibit B, incorporating that Statement of Overriding Considerations by reference into this Resolution.

Be It Further Resolved that this Board directs staff of the Permit and Resource Management Department to file a Notice of Determination with the County Clerk.

Be It Further Resolved that the Clerk of the Board is designated as the custodian of documents and other materials that constitute the record of the proceedings upon which the Board's decision is herein based. These documents may be found at the office of the Clerk of the Board, 575 Administration Drive, Room 100A, Santa Rosa, California, 95403.

Supervisors:

Gorin:

Rabbitt:

Gore:

Hopkins:

Coursey:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

So Ordered.