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Consider receiving a report on the Harvest Moon Development, Rossi Street, Salinas California-proposed quit claim of Reclamation Ditch Fee Title.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Personnel and Administration Committee:

a. Receive a report on the Harvest Moon Development, Rossi Street, Salinas California-proposed quit claim of Reclamation Ditch Fee Title.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The MCWRA has two fee titles on the parcel proposed for the Harvest Moon Development, that were granted for the purposes of a canal or drainage ditch. A 30' wide strip was granted in 1918, and a 40' wide strip was granted in 1933. MCWRA records show that there has only been one Markley Swamp lateral running across this property and into the Reclamation Ditch over the period between 1944 to present. Aerial photos from the 1950s, 1960s, 1980s and present day, support this finding. According to the 2002 RDIPAC report, 1999 Zone 9 and Reclamation Ditch Drainage System Operation Study, 1979 Monterey County Drainage Study Carr Lake and Reclamation Ditch, and 1944 Report on Reclamation Ditch, only one Markley Swamp lateral was referenced in those reports. There were no other references found that state additional ditches exist or are planned. According to the Monterey County General Plan Adopted October 26, 2010 and the 2000 Boronda Redevelopment Area Storm Drain Master Plan - Phase 1, the drainage system of the Boronda Redevelopment was designed to drain into the Markley Swamp which will drain into the existing lateral and eventually will drain into the Reclamation Ditch.

The Harvest Moon property ownership has requested that work on terms for an agreement on the Agency quit claiming the existing two fee titles on the property, APN 261-011-026-000, in exchange for a new fee title or easement that follows the existing lateral running from the Markley Swamp into the Reclamation Ditch. Staff performed background research and has requested additional information to evaluate the off-site impacts to the Markley Swamp lateral and the Reclamation Ditch from this proposal. The purpose of this report is to present the Harvest Moon Development, Rossi Street - Reclamation Ditch Fee Titles project to the Committee. Further action from the Board of Directors will be presented in the near future.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Monterey County Resource Management Agency

FINANCING:

None

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Attachment:

Request for Quit Claim and New Dedication