

the East Garrison development can be used to meet the BRP policy. This analysis will guide: decision-making for the establishment of the OWCP area; develop of an Oak Woodland Management and Monitoring Plans (MMPs); cost and revenue analysis for oak woodland management; appropriate accounting of oak woodland protection efforts; and environmental review. Staff anticipates presenting the Fort Ord Committee's recommendation regarding the OWCP area concepts to the Board of Supervisors in the coming months.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

FORA entered a contract with DD&A to assist the County and City of Seaside to complete the Oak Woodlands Conservation Planning effort. FORA is also assisting the jurisdictions in coordination and public outreach (www.oakwoodlands.org). The County, City, FORA, and DD&A have met with the City of Marina, CSUMB, MPC, and UCFONR to discuss potential conservation areas and constraints with property owners.

FINANCING:

In the future, the implementation of the OWMMP will require funding. The amount and the entity responsible for such funding have not yet been determined, and will be the subject of future discussion as the OWCP is developed. Management costs are expected to be highest in the first year to conduct baseline surveys and identify parcel-specific needs. Based on the County's budget for interim habitat management of a Habitat Management Parcel plus general costs associated with dumping clean-up, which requirements are likely to be similar to anticipated costs to implement the MMP requirements for the OWCP area, staff estimates approximately \$165 per acre for annual maintenance of the OWCP area. The more acreage included in the OWCP area, the higher the annual maintenance costs will be.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

The recommended action complies with the Board's FY15-16 Strategic Initiative for Infrastructure, "Plan and develop a sustainable physical infrastructure that improves the quality of life for County residents and supports economic development results," by implementing the Key Objective to "promote the use of best environmental practices for County facilities and operations." Designation of an Oak Woodland Conservation Area will provide oak protection areas to mitigate for impact of development projects in the former Fort Ord area while providing habitat and open space.

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Attachments:

Attachment 1 - Oak Woodland Conservation Plan Preliminary Alternative Concepts