

Board Report

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a. Accept the recommendation of the Monterey County Fish and Game Advisory Commission to award the remaining \$6,000 of a \$10,000 grant request to the Ventana Wildlife Society (VWS) for a Non-lead Ammo project; and

b. Approve the distribution of \$6,000 from Fish and Game Propagation Fund to Ventana Wildlife Society for Fiscal Year 2016 - 2017.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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- b. Approve the distribution of \$6,000 from Fish and Game Propagation Fund to Ventana Wildlife Society for Fiscal Year 2016 2017.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The VWS originally requested grant funds in the amount of \$10,000 for their Non-lead Ammo Program. At their February 9, 2016 Fish and Game Advisory Commission meeting, the Commission awarded \$4,000, and asked the VWS to return at a future meeting to present supplemental information prior to awarding the remaining \$6,000. The VWS returned to the Commission on August 9, 2016 to provide supplemental information. The Commission took action to recommend that the Board of Supervisors approve the remaining funding request in the amount of \$6,000 from the Fish and Game Propagation Fund grant program for Fiscal Year 2016-17.

The proposals were reviewed for consistency with California State Fish and Game Code criteria. A copy of the relevant portion of the draft minutes from the February 9, and August 9, 2016 meetings are attached hereto regarding the presentation, discussion, and action taken on the proposed application. The applicant has agreed to the terms and conditions of the grant agreement for use of Fish and Game Propagation Funds. This action is consistent with Board Resolution 81-239, which states that all expenditures using County Fish and Game Propagation funds must be approved by the Board of Supervisors.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

County Counsel has reviewed and approved this recommendation as to form.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

Check the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives:

- X Economic Development
- ___Administration
- ___Health & Human Services
- X Infrastructure
- __Public Safety

Economic Development

The Monterey County Fish and Game Advisory Commission's Propagation Grant Fund Program provides grant funds to qualified projects and/or programs, which help benefit the citizens of Monterey County, agencies, organizations and/or groups. The funds for the Ventana Wildlife Society will have a direct impact on the economic vitality of the County's fish and wildlife resources.

Infrastructure

In addition to the economic development initiative, the Propagation Grant Fund Program the Commission administers helps benefit our county's precious resources such water quality and quantity. Projects and programs focused the enhancement, protection and preservation of the fish and wildlife resources, such as the non-lead ammo program done by the Ventana Wildlife Society comply with the Infrastructure Initiative.

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FINANCING:

Sufficient funds are available in the Fiscal Year 2016-17 budget, Appropriation PAR002 Park Unit 8155 to award these grants recommended by the Commission. There is no impact to General Fund Contribution as a result of this action.

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Attachments:

Attachment A - February 9, 2016 Fish and Game Meeting Agenda and Minutes Attachment B - August 9, 2016 Fish and Game Meeting Agenda and Minutes (Attachments on file with Clerk of the Board)