



**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Regional Park & Open-Space District

SUBMITTAL DATE: 3/4/03

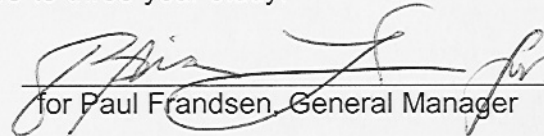
SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH ECOSYSTEMS RESTORATION ASSOCIATES FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE JOHNSON RANCH RESTORATION STUDY – DISTRICT III

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Directors:

- 1) Approve the attached contract with Ecosystems Restoration Associates for the completion of the Johnson Ranch Restoration Study, Attachment B;
- 2) Authorize the General Manager to take all actions necessary to administer the Contract in accordance with its terms and conditions; and
- 3) Approve and direct the Auditor-Controller to make the budget adjustments shown on Schedule A, attached.

BACKGROUND: The Johnson Ranch area has been set aside as wildlife habitat pursuant to the provisions of the AD161 Habitat Conservation Plan, to which the County is a signatory. The large central portion of Johnson Ranch is owned by the California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG), and is composed almost exclusively of old agricultural lands and grazing pastures. CDFG wishes to restore these areas to their native Riversidian sage scrub habitat for the betterment of several endangered and threatened species. As a result, CDFG has executed a grant contract, shown on Attachment B, and developed an experimental approach, in consultation with the Park District, to allow us to administer this grant for the completion of the two-to-three-year study.

363-Johnson Ranch
Contract w/Ecosystems


for Paul Frandsen, General Manager

FINANCIAL DATA: Expenditures will be incurred in Fund 33150-93104-525440 PK-7414

CURRENT YEAR COST \$6,000

ANNUAL COST: \$26,152

NET COUNTY COST -0-

IN CURRENT YEAR BUDGET: No

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FY 2002/03 Yes

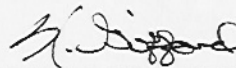
SOURCE OF FUNDS: California Department of Fish and Game - Contract No. P0160010 in the amount of \$49,588; remainder of contract to be completed in FY 2004/05

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

**REQUIRES
4/5 VOTE**

County Executive Office Signature



Prev Agn Ref

Dist. III

AGENDA NO.

13.1

FISCAL PROCEDURES APPROVED
ROBERT E. BYRD, Auditor-Controller

Deputy

3/17/03

Subject: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH ECOSYSTEMS RESTORATION ASSOCIATES
FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE JOHNSON RANCH RESTORATION STUDY

The grant fully funds the entire project, and no additional monies will be required. The purpose of the study is to determine the most cost-effective way to restore these agricultural areas to native sage scrub habitat.

In November 2002, a Request for Proposals was sent out to approximately twenty local biological consulting firms. Five proposals were received, reviewed, and analyzed by Park District staff. Based upon the companies' qualifications, experience, and possession of necessary CDFG and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service permits, the decision was made to offer the study to Ecosystems Restorations Associates, of San Diego subject to approval by your Board.

Schedule A

**Increase Appropriations:
33150-931102-525440**

Professional Services

\$6,000

**Increase Estimated Revenues:
33150 931102 753200**

**CA-Open Space Land
Reimbursement**

\$6,000

From: Sue Warner
To: Gifford, Kathy; Quinones, Cesar
Date: 3/17/03 3:35PM
Subject: Re: Form 11 on Contract with Ecosystems Restoration Associates

Kathy: As requested by Cesar, would you have your secretary to revise the Form 11 before we sign off?
 Thanks, Sue

>>> Cesar Quinones 03/17/03 02:59PM >>>

Kathy,
 Sue Warner is requesting a budget figure for FY 03-04. The project manager, Ron Baxter has confirmed that we will expend 60% of the remainder balance as of June 30, 2003.

Total Contract Amount = \$ 49,588
 Budget Schedule:
 FY 02-03.....6,000
 FY 03-0426,152 (60% of 43,588)
 FY 04-05..... 17,436

Annual Cost
 extra

Please coordinate with Sue the change on the ANNUAL COST field from \$ 0 to \$ 26,152.

Any questions please reply.
 Thank you very much.

Cesar Quinones, Administrative Manager
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