

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

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FROM: Parks Department & Planning Department

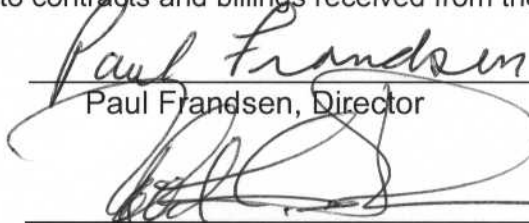
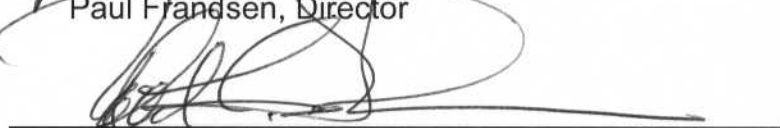
SUBMITTAL DATE:
8/10/05

SUBJECT: Trails Implementation Schedule and Development Impact Fee Funding Request for Mapping for Expansion of Regional Trails in Eastern and Western County

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board:

- 1) Receive and file the recommended Trails Implementation Schedule (Exhibit A);
- 2) Authorize the use of \$40,000 of Development Impact Fees (DIF) Western Riverside County Regional Multipurpose Trail Fund No. 30533 for costs associated with the expansion of regional trails in Western County;
- 3) Direct the Executive Office to transfer \$40,000 from DIF Western Riverside County Regional Multipurpose Trail Fund No. 30533, as needed, pursuant to billings received from the Riverside County Regional Park & Open-Space District ;
- 4) Authorize the use of \$10,000 of Development Impact Fee (DIF) Eastern Riverside County Regional Multipurpose Trail Fund No. 30539 for costs associated with the expansion of the regional trails in Eastern Riverside County; and
- 5) Direct the Executive Office to transfer \$10,000 from DIF Eastern County Regional Multipurpose Trail Fund No. 30539, as needed, pursuant to contracts and billings received from the Regional Park & Open-Space District.

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 Paul Frandsen, Director

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 50,000	In Current Year Budget:	Yes
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	FY 05-06

SOURCE OF FUNDS: Development Impact Fees Western Riverside County Regional Multipurpose Trail Fund No. 30533 and Development Impact Fees Eastern Riverside County Regional Multipurpose Trail Fund No. 30539	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE


 County Executive Office Signature

Dept' Recomm.: Consent Policy
 Per Exec. Ofc.: Consent Policy

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BACKGROUND:

On April 5, 2005, by M.O. 3.25, the Board of Supervisors directed the Regional Park & Open-Space District and Planning Department to coordinate efforts with the Transportation Department, Flood Control and Water Conservation District, and the Economic Development Agency, along with the Regional Park & Open-Space District Advisory Commission and Riverside County Trails Committee, to prepare preliminary recommendations for the development of a system of core regional trails for priority implementation. The Board directed staff to return with their preliminary recommendations within 120 days.

During the past four months, the Regional Park & Open-Space District and Planning Department have worked with both the Regional Park & Open-Space District Advisory Commission and County Trails Committee to develop recommendations for a proposed priority core trails system. Several trail segments are eligible for planning and development funding through Development Impact Fees (DIF). These regional trails, located in the Western and Eastern areas of the County, would provide quality equestrian, bicycle, and hiking trail experiences in or near many of the County's communities.

The initial effort is to refine the specific siting of the trail alignments. This task will involve field reconnaissance of each trail segment to document the actual paths using GPS monitors. Planning interns will make a list of necessary rights-of-way to be acquired, of encroachments on needed rights-of-way, of existing and usable trail segments, and any other necessary field notes. When the fieldwork is completed, the Geographic Information System (GIS) Division of the Transportation and Land Management Agency (TLMA) will produce mapping showing detailed trail alignments.

Staff proposes that initially, two part-time interns be hired in the Planning Department to assist with the fieldwork. The total cost for the interns for the current fiscal year (FY 05/06) is anticipated to be \$25,000, and the cost for the GIS portion of the effort, using existing County staff, is estimated to be \$25,000 during FY 05/06. Therefore, the total current FY 05/06 cost is estimated to be \$50,000. It is proposed that the fees would be allocated to the Regional Park & Open-Space District, which would reimburse the Planning Department for the interns' work and the GIS Division of TLMA for mapping.

A final report with recommendations for specific trail segment implementation will be submitted to the Board when the study is concluded.

EXHIBIT A

The following is an outline of phases of the development process for regional trail segments.

TRAILS IMPLEMENTATION

Phase I Input from public, other jurisdictions and committees.

This phase will be directed towards identifying and gathering input from all potential stakeholders.

The Planning Department and Regional Park & Open-Space District staff shall:

- Conduct public works:
 - Identify necessary improvements to trail systems
 - Need for additional trail linkages
- Attend County Trails Committee and Regional Park & Open-Space District Advisory Commission and other local meetings
- Meet with Regional Conservation Authority (RCA) & Environmental Programs Department (EPD) to coordinate trail linkages through Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP) areas
- Coordinate with neighboring cities for the interface of trails
- Meet with public utilities (Metropolitan Water District, Flood Control, and Edison) to discuss usage of dirt roads associated with utility easements
- Conduct informational meetings with community groups
- Review agencies missions and agreements

Phase II Research and Inventory

The research and inventory will include the following:

- Review of County's trails records
- Inventory of areas where there are existing trails and record of ownership status of these trails, type of materials and classification of trail
- Develop a Geographical Information Systems database with the following:
 - Local and trail easements
 - Legal description & APN of parcels
 - Property owner of parcels
 - Ownership status of trail easement
 - Width of trail easement
 - Recommend action items for trail segment

Phase III Opportunity & Constraints

Committee staff from all departments shall evaluate information and trail data gathered during Phase I and II to determine what needs to be done for the completion and enhancements of the existing and planned trail segments.

The opportunities and constraints for each trail link will be evaluated under the following categories:

- Linkages – potential connections to parking areas, other trails, communities & important destinations
- Ownership
- Rest areas – shade seating areas, drinking fountains
- Sidewalks – trail connections that use existing sidewalks
- Signage – directional, safety & interpretive
- Staging/parking
- Surface materials
- Visible & safe crossings
- American Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance
- Maintenance
- Misc. – trail fencing, topography and vegetation