RESOLUTION NO. 2016-62

RESOLUTION OF THE MARIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
ACCEPTING GRANTS FROM THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD,
MARIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT, AND THE WOODACRE AND SAN GERONIMO
FLATS WASTEWATER GROUP FOR THE WOODACRE/SAN GERONIMO FLATS
WASTEWATER RECYCLING PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Woodacre and San Geronimo communities are located in the Lagunitas Creek watershed, which is tributary to Tomales Bay. The Lagunitas Creek Watershed and Tomales Bay are impaired water bodies for pathogens (bacteria) and nutrients, and have been listed in accordance with Section 303(d) of the Federal Clean Water Act. Faulty on-site wastewater systems, especially for properties located in close proximity to streams, have been identified as one of the sources contributing to the impairment of water quality.

WHEREAS, in February 2010, the Marin County Board of Supervisors contracted with Questa Engineering Corporation to conduct a wastewater feasibility study of the Woodacre Flats area. The final report, dated July 2011, included a comparative analysis of various alternatives for wastewater treatment and disposal, indicating the apparent best alternative to be a community wastewater collection system with tertiary treatment, ponding, and recycling to the San Geronimo Golf Course.

WHEREAS, in response to public interest, the proposed study area has been expanded to include part of the adjacent San Geronimo community. The current project will entail the following: 1) expand the 2011 feasibility study to include portions of the San Geronimo Flats, and 2) conduct environmental review, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, for constructing a community wastewater system in Woodacre and San Geronimo Flats. The environmental impact report for the project could provide additional information affecting the comparative evaluation of alternatives.

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2016, the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution 2016-19 authorizing the Deputy Director, or designee, to execute a financial assistance application for a grant agreement from the State Water Resources Control Board for the planning, feasibility study, and environmental review of the Woodacre/San Geronimo Flats Wastewater Recycling Project. On April 11, 2016, the State Water Resources Control Board awarded the full grant of \$75,000 for the Environmental Health Services Division to administer.

WHEREAS, on September 3, 2013, the Marin Municipal Water District adopted Resolution No. 8228 authorizing a one-time contribution of \$50,000 for the preparation of the environmental impact report for the project.

WHEREAS, the Woodacre and San Geronimo Flats Wastewater Group, an organized group of property owners concerned about the high rate of failing septic systems in their community, have raised and committed up to \$38,000 to help fund the environmental impact report.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors accepts the grant awards from the State Water Resources Control Board, the Marin Municipal Water District, and the Woodacre and San Geronimo Flats Wastewater Group for the Woodacre/San Geronimo Flats Wastewater Recycling Project.

The Deputy Director of Environmental Health Services, or his/her designee, is designated to represent the Board of Supervisors in carrying out the responsibilities under the terms and conditions of each grant award.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin held on this 21st day of June, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES:

SUPERVISORS Judy Arnold, Katie Rice, Damon Connolly, Kathrin Sears,

Steve Kinsey

NOES:

NONE

ABSENT:

NONE

ATTEST:

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