

**COUNTY OF SONOMA
AGENDA ITEM
SUMMARY REPORT**

Clerk of the Board Use Only
Meeting Date **Held Until**
 ___/___/___ ___/___/___
Agenda Item No: **Agenda Item No:**

Department: Sonoma County Permit and Resource Management

(√) 4/5 Vote Required

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Board Date:
July 14, 2009

Deadline for Board Action:

AGENDA SHORT TITLE:

Ordinance No. 3836R Permits and Permit Extensions.

REQUESTED BOARD ACTION:

- 1) Resolution issuing Ordinance No. 3836R permit and necessary permit extensions to the Goldridge Resource Conservation District for the channel restoration project on the upper reach of Dutch Bill Creek near the town of Camp Meeker. A 4/5ths vote is required.
- 2) Resolution issuing Ordinance No. 3836R permit and necessary permit extensions to the Goldridge Resource Conservation District for the channel restoration project on the lower reach of Dutch Bill Creek near the town of Camp Meeker. A 4/5ths vote is required.

CURRENT FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT

EXPENDITURES

Estimated Cost \$

Amount Budgeted \$

Other Avail Approp \$
(Explain below)

Additional Requested: \$

ADD'L FUNDS REQUIRING BOARD APPROVAL

Contingencies \$
(Fund Name:)

Unanticipated Revenue \$
(Source:)

Other Transfer(s) \$
(Source:)

Add'l Funds Requested: \$

Explanation (if required):

Prior Board Action(s):

None

Alternatives - Results of Non-Approval:

Applicant would be in non-compliance with ordinance requirements related to the channel restoration project.

On File With Clerk: Application

Background:

Section VIII of Ordinance No. 3836R requires that an application for a permit be filed with the Board of Supervisors prior to the performance of certain prescribed work on operations in a river, stream or channel which may decrease the clarity of these waterways.

Concurrent Resolution No. 88-1220 of the Board of Supervisors requires that applications for permits describe the work or operations to be done, the purpose of the work or operations, the manner in which the work or operations will be carried out, and the time within which the work or operations will be completed. Pursuant to the Resolution, applications must be accompanied by a copy of the agreement required by Section 1601 et seq. of the California Fish and Game Code and waste discharge permits applicable to the work or operations, if any, pursuant to the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act. Applications by public agencies must also be accompanied by evidence of compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act. Applications by other than public agency applicants must be accompanied by evidence that the proposed work or operations have been submitted for review to the Permit and Resource Management Department-Project Review Section pursuant to Article III of Chapter 23A of the Sonoma County Code.

The applications submitted by the Goldridge Resource Conservation District comply with the requirements of the 3836R Ordinance. The applicant represents that no significant residual impacts affecting water clarity of Dutch Bill Creek will result. The projects cover two locations: "lower reach" and "upper reach" of Dutch Bill Creek located in the town of Camp Meeker. The project objective will be accomplished by two tasks, 1) remove an existing concrete summer dam to improve salmon habitat, retrofit a culvert and eliminate the eight-inch drop to improve fish passage, and to provide community access and recreation within the creek area; and 2) complete culvert retrofit and downstream restoration, installing rock weirs to raise the channel bed and using rock weirs will create step-pool conditions for improved fish passage. As described in the application and as demonstrated in practice in previous permitting periods, the work requires greater than 30 days to complete. Each of the tasks will be covered by a separate roiling permit.

The project work is proposed to commence on July 14th and is scheduled to be completed by October 15th, 2009. All conditions outlined in the Department of Fish and Game permit will be adhered to, including those relative to scheduling certain operations. To accomplish this, the permit may be extended for additional 30-day periods if such permit period extensions are approved by the Board of Supervisors. The Director of PRMD shall confirm the need for each permit extension immediately prior to the expiration of the current permit period to ensure that the work is not yet completed and an additional 30-day period extension is necessary. Three 30-day permit extensions may be required.

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Attachments:

- Resolutions
- A. First page of applications
- B. Location Maps

On File With Clerk: Application

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Board Action (If other than "Requested")

Vote:

Background, continued:

The 3836R permits and 30-day extensions require a 4/5 approval vote by the Board according to the requirements of the 1988 ballot measure creating the 3836R Ordinance.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

PRMD recommends that the Board of Supervisors approve the requested permits and necessary permit extensions.