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Minutes

The San Joaquin River Conservancy Governing Board
Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Meeting Location:

Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District Board Room
5469 E. Olive Avenue, Fresno, CA 93727

and via phone conference:

California Natural Resources Agency
1416 Ninth Street, Ste. 1311
Sacramento, CA 95814

MEETING AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Borgeas called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. and led the pledge of allegiance.

A. ROLL CALL

Name	Present	Telecon- ference	Absent	Late
Mr. Andreas Borgeas, Chair	X			
Mr. Brett Frazier	X			
Mr. Steve Brandau			X	
Mr. Derek Robinson	X			
Ms. Barbara Goodwin	X			
Mr. Carl Janzen	X			
Ms. Julie Vance	X			
Mr. Kent Gresham	X			
Mr. John Donnelly	X			
Mr. Patrick Kemp		X		
Mr. Michael McKown	X			
Ms. Karen Finn		X		
Ms. Bryn Forhan	X			
Mr. Paul Gibson			X	
Ms. Cynthia Dolph	X			

Ms. Harris confirmed that a quorum was present.

Legal Counsel Present: Michael Crow, Deputy Attorney General

Staff Present: Melinda Marks, Executive Officer
Rebecca Harris, Associate Governmental Program Analyst
Heidi West, Program Manager, San Joaquin River Conservancy
Projects, Wildlife Conservation Board (via teleconference)

B. PUBLIC COMMENT & BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

The first ten minutes of the meeting are reserved for members of the public who wish to address the Conservancy Board on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Conservancy. Speakers shall be limited to three minutes. The Board is prohibited by law from taking any action on matters discussed that are not on the agenda; no adverse conclusions should be drawn if the Board does not respond to the public comment at this time.

Public comment:

Mr. Richard Sloan, RiverTree Volunteers, reported that there has a reduction in law enforcement, specifically at the island adjacent to the Conservancy's Wildwood Property. On the Fresno side of the island there was a large homeless encampment. RiverTree conducted a river clean up at the island and the Fresno Homeless Task Force provided a garbage bin. He advocated for codifying a Parkway Protection Act in order for all law enforcement to be on the same page.

Mr. Bob Getz, a resident at Wildwood Mobile Home Park, stated that he has assisted with removing trash from the Conservancy's Wildwood Native Park. He expressed concern about the homeless living on the island, and about law enforcement. He suggested that the Conservancy hire a maintenance person to look over the Conservancy's properties.

On inquiry from Ms. Vance, Mr. Sloan reported that the island near Wildwood is under the State Lands Commission jurisdiction.

Mr. John Donnelly, Executive Director for the Wildlife Conservation Board, introduced himself and stated that he usually attends via the phone conference, but decided to make the trip to Fresno for this meeting.

Chairperson Borgeas stated that he was going to attend a meeting with the bluff homeowners regarding the trail system and public safety concerns for River West. He received comments from the public regarding the river and law enforcement issues. He requested staff to draft a letter to be sent to all law enforcement asking them to be more vigilant, because the Conservancy has received reports and concerns about the river. Mr. Borgeas mentioned that he attended a meeting that was held by the Fresno County Sheriff's Department. They are working on a homeless task force, which shows where the hot spots are for the homeless camps in Fresno County.

Mr. Gresham mentioned that last year there was an interagency law enforcement task force meeting with the California Highway Patrol, Fresno Police Department, and Madera County Sheriff's Department. Most of the homeless problems on the Fresno side are located within the City limits and that is the reason why the Fresno Sheriff's Department has not been extensively involved.

Ms. Vance noted that the Department of Fish and Wildlife's (DFW) law enforcement offices focus on fish and game code violations and the protection of DFW lands.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Items identified after preparation of the agenda for which there is a need to take immediate action. Two-thirds vote required for consideration. (Gov. Code § 54954.2(b)(2))

None.

D. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Any Board member who has a potential conflict of interest may now identify the item and recuse themselves from discussion and voting on the matter. (FPPC §97105)

On inquiry from Mr. Frazier, Mr. Crow reported that there is no conflict of interest for Mr. Frazier regarding item I-1 because the San Joaquin River Conservancy Act presumes that elected members may act in both the capacity of the Conservancy Board and Madera County Board.

E. MINUTES

E-1 Approve Minutes of June 1, 2016

It was moved by Ms. Forhan and seconded by Mr. Janzen to approve the minutes of June 1, 2016, as presented. The voting members unanimously passed the motion

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Name	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Andreas Borgeas	X		
Mr. Brett Frazier	X		
Mr. Derek Robinson	X		
Ms. Barbara Goodwin	X		
Mr. Carl Janzen	X		
Ms. Julie Vance	X		
Mr. Kent Gresham	X		
Mr. John Donnelly	X		
Mr. Patrick Kemp	X		
Mr. Michael McKown	X		
Ms. Karen Finn	X		
Ms. Bryn Forhan	X		
Ms. Cynthia Dolph	X		

F. CONSENT CALENDAR

All items listed below will be approved in one motion unless removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion:

F-1 Report on Vulcan Materials Gravel Mining Lease, Continuation of Tenancy Month-to-Month for Part of 2017 as Allowed in the Lease Agreement, and Negotiations to Establish Rental Rate for Reclamation Period

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended the Board authorize the Executive Officer to confirm in writing the continuation of tenancy month-to-month for part of 2017 with Vulcan Materials, as allowed in the lease agreement, with all other terms and conditions to remain the same.

It was moved by Ms. Forhan and seconded by Ms. Goodwin to approve the consent item as recommended. The motion unanimously passed as follows:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Name	Yes	No	Abstain
Mr. Andreas Borgeas	X		
Mr. Brett Frazier	X		
Mr. Derek Robinson	X		
Ms. Barbara Goodwin	X		
Mr. Carl Janzen	X		
Ms. Julie Vance	X		
Mr. Kent Gresham	X		
Mr. John Donnelly	X		
Mr. Patrick Kemp	X		
Mr. Michael McKown	X		
Ms. Karen Finn	X		
Ms. Bryn Forhan	X		
Ms. Cynthia Dolph	X		

G. DISCUSSION

G-1 Status and Progress Report on River West Fresno, Eaton Trail Extension Environmental Impact Report

Staff Recommendation: This report is for informational purposes. The Board may provide general direction to staff; no action by the Board is recommended.

Ms. Marks provided background information regarding the River West Fresno, Eaton Trail Extension Environmental Impact Report (EIR). She noted that staff has completed initial review of the draft documents, commented on and edited the drafts, and anticipates receiving the Administrative Draft EIR by early fall. At this time, the consultant’s team is preparing the final administrative review draft of the entire Draft EIR. Upon staff’s final review, the Draft EIR will be released for the public comment period in compliance with CEQA. She noted that a final contract amendment and WCB agreement amendment will be processed to extend the agreements from their current termination date of September 31, 2016, to allow time for completing the project next spring. The request for the amendment is currently at Department of General Services (DGS) for review and approval. The anticipated schedule to release of the Draft EIR for the 45-day comment period will be October/November. A public workshop will be held at one the Conservancy’s Board meetings. The public comment period will close, possibly in the month of December. The schedule to complete the Final EIR will depend on the extent and complexity of public and agency comments. In the spring of 2017 a Board hearing will be held for certification of the Final EIR and approval of the project. She noted that due to the range of alternatives for the Board to consider, it is expected that two meetings may be required to deliberate, make required findings, and approve the project.

On inquiry from Chairperson Borgeas, Ms. Marks reported that the Conservancy could schedule to hold an additional public workshop at the Pinedale Community Center, which is close to the project site. This workshop would be intended to be an informational workshop not a decision-making hearing. This would allow the Board and the public to ask questions and make comments.

Public Comments:

Mr. Radley Reep, a resident of Fresno, expressed concern about the Conservancy releasing two EIRs (see item G-2) around the same time. He suggested extending the public comment period to 60 days or have the closure of the public comment period in the month of January.

Ms. Marks stated that her concern is keeping this particular project on schedule because the current request with the DGS to extend the contract will have the contract end on June 30, 2017. Out of the two EIRs, the River West is going to have a tighter completion date than the Master Plan.

On inquiry from Chairperson Borgeas, Ms. Marks reported that the River West EIR will take priority over the Master Plan. It will depend on when the Conservancy receives the Draft EIR, but staff can make sure the comment period ends after the holidays, maybe January 15.

On inquiry from Ms. Vance, Ms. Marks reported that there will be some overlapping of both EIRs' public comment periods.

In discussing the timing and workload, Ms. Marks stated that Ms. Heidi West has been incredibly helpful on CEQA issues. She has been assisting with the review of the Master Plan EIR.

On inquiry from Chairperson Borgeas, Ms. Marks reported that she cannot get another extension on this contract to extend it past June 30, 2017, because it has to be approved by DGS. They consider this contract a non-completive bid, because it was initially bid by the City of Fresno. She will make it her priority to get this EIR done by June.

Mr. Janzen stated that if it is necessary to schedule another board meeting in order to get this EIR completed, the Board members should make themselves available.

Mr. Barry Bauer, from Herb Bauer Sporting Goods, noted that some of the previsions in the Master Plan EIR might have an impact on the decisions that are made in the River West EIR.

Ms. Marks stated that she is reviewing both of these documents to make sure that they are consistent with one another.

Ms. Clary Creager, a resident of Fresno, and founding member of the River Parkway Trust, expressed concern about having the public comment period end in December and requested to have it extended into January.

Mr. Zack Darrah, the Executive Director of Fresno Interdenominational Refugee Ministries, agreed with Mr. Reep and Ms. Creager on having the comment period extended.

On inquiry from Chairperson Borgeas, Ms. Marks reported that she will work to keep both of the EIRs moving. Once the draft is ready to be released for public review, the Conservancy will figure out a schedule for board hearings.

Chairperson Borgeas recommended that the comment period be extended into the month of January.

Ms. Vance recommended getting the document out as soon as possible. The comment period should be extended.

Ms. Marks stated that she will need to check and make sure that the consultant can receive the comments, response to those comments, and get the EIR finalized and have two board meetings to discuss the EIR, by June 30, 2017. The staff reports explains the problems and delays that have happened with these two EIRs.

Chairperson Borgeas recapped the discussion, stating that the Conservancy will hold a community meeting regarding the River West EIR and extend the comment period to the month of January.

On inquiry from Chairperson Borgeas, Ms. Marks reported that the Conservancy securing DGS approval to extend the River West EIR would take another three months.

Ms. Vance noted that if DGS does not approve the extension, the Conservancy will have to take on the responsibility to finalize the River West EIR.

Ms. Marks stated that the Conservancy will stagger the comment periods for both of the EIRs.

G-2 Status and Progress Report on San Joaquin River Parkway Master Plan Update and Environmental Impact Report

Staff Recommendation: This report is for informational purposes. The Board may provide general direction to staff; no action by the Board is recommended.

Agenda item G-2 was discussed along with item G-1. There was no further discussion.

G-3 Approve Resolution 16-02, Stating Intent to Cooperate in Public Access Planning and Environmental Review for Ball Ranch and Ledger Island with the State Lands Commission, Bellezze Naturali (a Private Landowner/Developer), and the River Conservancy at Tesoro Viejo, a Private Nonprofit Public Benefit Organization Created for this Purpose

Staff Recommendation: It is recommended the Board approve Resolution 16-02 which would authorize the *River Conservancy at Tesoro Viejo* (RCTV), a nonprofit public benefit organization, to:

1. Develop a plan and project proposal for public access consistent with the San Joaquin River Parkway Master Plan on public lands under the jurisdiction of the San Joaquin River Conservancy (Conservancy) and the California State Lands Commission (CSLC) in the vicinity of Ball Ranch and Ledger Island; and
2. Apply to the CSLC for approval of the proposed project and a lease for public access and use on State lands under the CSLC's jurisdiction, such application to provide for the CSLC's analysis of potential environmental impacts of the proposed project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the applicant's reimbursement for the CSLC's costs.
3. Subsequently submit the proposed project and environmental analysis to the Conservancy for approval of improvements and uses on State land under the Conservancy's jurisdiction.

The recommended action approving the Conservancy's participation in the proposed planning effort would not provide any pre-determination that the Board would approve the proposed uses, improvements, leases or concession agreements, funding for improvements, acceptance of the proposed access easement, or any other action under the SJR Conservancy's jurisdiction.

Ms. Marks noted that in February 2015, Bellezze Naturali of McCaffrey Homes, presented a conceptual proposal to develop a public trail system at Ledger Island, Ball Ranch, and future neighboring communities in the Rio Mesa Area of Madera County. This recommendation would allow private project proponents, Bellezze Naturali and RCTV, to include proposed Parkway public access improvements and services at Ball Ranch and Ledger Island their application to the California State Land Commission (CSLC) for environmental review. Bellezze Naturali proposes to provide for the operation and maintenance of public access through a fund created by Bellezze Naturali and administered by RCTV, a new nonprofit organization. Each sale and resale of Tesoro Viejo units will generate a transfer fee to be dedicated for this purpose. She noted that a precedent for this type of transfer fee to support the Parkway was created by agreement of the Friant Ranch development approved in Fresno County.

On inquiry from Chairperson Borgeas, Ms. Marks reported that a fiscal analysis will need to be completed in order to estimate that cost of maintaining the trail system on Ball Ranch and Ledger Island.

Ms. Marks mentioned that the Resolution was developed in close coordination with the CSLC staff. She introduced a proposed change in language in the Resolution that is attached to the agenda item on page five, third bullet point. It would read as, "The SJR Conservancy Board hereby requests and encourages Bellezze Naturali, the RCTV, other landowners, and respective counties to develop long-term revenue streams, including but not limited to transfer fees from the sale and resale of units within the lands benefited by the Parkway, in order to sustain and expand the long-term, cooperative development and proper management of the Parkway and any associated improvements proposed under the project application."

Ms. Marks stated that the recommendation would allow public trails and associated improvements on State-owned lands under Conservancy jurisdiction to be included in an application and proposed CEQA environmental review by the CSLC for Parkway public access improvements and services. Bellezze Naturali will pay the CSLC for costs of the review, through an existing application and reimbursement process.

Ms. Marks reported that Mr. Ken Lazarus, representing the Peck Family, submitted a comment on behalf of Mrs. Carolyn Peck regarding this item. Mrs. Peck was concerned that this proposed project had a proposed trail going across her property. Ms. Marks stated that the access road to Ledger Island Bridge and the bridge are not included in this proposed project.

Ms. Marks went on to note that the habitat on Ball Ranch and Ledger Island is relatively high quality. The possible public access facilities, as envisioned in the Conservancy's Ball Ranch Master Development Plan, require minimal infrastructure and have a small footprint. The Conservancy recently approved a Proposition 1 grant to River Partners to develop habitat restoration recommendations for Ball Ranch and the Willow Unit will serve to inform the proposed project and the CEQA review. She noted that, on request of the Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW), the possible trails shown on Exhibit A leading to the river through the Willow Unit will be eliminated from consideration, since Ecological Reserves do not generally allow open public use, and since the DFW may not enter into concession-type agreements for operation and management of the area.

Ms. Marks reported that CSLC staff will review Bellezze Naturali's applications for the boundary line agreement and the proposed project. It will conduct necessary studies to determine the level of CEQA review required. She stated that CSLC and the Conservancy are under no obligation and have no pre-conceived notions that either of the entities will approve the project or its elements. Once the CSLC has completed the CEQA process, and provided it approves the environmental documents and mitigation measures, the Conservancy will use the same documents in making any future discretionary decisions, such as approving improvements and public uses, accepting the access easement, and entering into operations agreements. She noted that any proposed projects on private land would require the review and approval of local land use agencies. All State investments in Parkway public access and recreation facilities require that operations and maintenance resources are available for a minimum of 25 years.

Ms. Marks reported that the Conservancy received a letter from Ms. Mary Savala. She expressed concern about the proposed project and felt that it was premature.

On inquiry from Ms. Vance, Ms. Marks reported that all of the proposed trails would be open to the public.

Mr. Brent McCaffrey, president of Bellezze Naturali and McCaffrey Homes, presented a conceptual proposal to develop a public trail system between Ledger Island, Ball Ranch, and future neighboring communities in the Rio Mesa area of Madera County. He noted that operations and maintenance of the trail system would be managed through a public and private partnership. He expressed that the concept is consistent with the San Joaquin River Conservancy's mission and San Joaquin River Parkway Master Plan's goals and objectives. This opportunity could create 50 miles of connected public trails within the Parkway and Rio Mesa. He noted at the February 2015 board meeting, the Board instructed staff to explore a public and private partnership with Bellezze Naturali to develop parkway trails and public access facilities on Ball Ranch and Ledger Island.

Mr. McCaffrey noted that this is a long term planning process, and has been working hard on the proposal submitted to the Conservancy. He noted that the Conservancy is required under the San Joaquin River Conservancy Act to preclude public access and recreation on its property until it has adequate resources to operate and maintain the facilities in a clean and safe manner. This resolution would allow the Conservancy to provide general public access to the two properties. Bellezze Naturali's goals are to create, promote, and maintain public access for people from all walks of life. He stated that their proposed project will preserve the natural and cultural resources of the San Joaquin River consistent with the Conservancy's mission and the Master Plan. He stated that this is not a developer-driven project; that is why his family created the nonprofit organization, the RCTV. The Board of Directors will consist of: Fresno County Supervisor Henry Perea; Madera County Supervisor Max Rodriguez; President of Placeworks, Randy Jackson; Brent McCaffrey; and a citizen representative. The RCTV would receive the money for operations and maintenance from a transfer fee from the sale and resale of homes.

On inquiry from Chairperson Borgeas, Mr. McCaffrey reported that the transfer fee is written into all of McCaffrey's purchase agreements. He noted that homes typically resale every seven years.

Mr. Donnelly suggested that Bellezze Naturali should consider establishing an endowment with the funds.

On inquiry from Mr. Gresham regarding enforcement and policing, Mr. McCaffrey responded that some of the transfer funds could be used to contract with a security company to provide public safety.

Mr. McCaffrey asked the Board to approve the resolution.

On inquiry from Mr. Donnelly, Mr. McCaffrey reported that the public in the Rio Mesa community located in Madera would have access to Ledger Island. This low-impact trail system would connect the community of Rio Mesa and public to the river. The opportunity presented in this proposal could create 50 miles of connected public trails within the Parkway, and connect the two counties as well.

Public Comment:

Ms. Sharon Weaver, Executive Director of the San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust, thanked Mr. McCaffrey and Bellezze Naturali for bringing this opportunity forward. She expressed the need for public involvement in the process, and requested public workshops to explore the proposed project. She suggested that the Board take no action regarding this item.

Mr. Reep expressed concern regarding Bellezze Naturali's control over the planning process. He stated that Bellezze Naturali's proposed project needs to be consistent with the Conservancy's Master Plan.

Ms. Stephanie Frederick expressed concern regarding the name of the nonprofit, noting that it was too similar to the San Joaquin River Conservancy. She agreed with Ms. Weaver that the public needed to be involved in the process.

Ms. Clary Creager, a founding member of the Parkway Trust, expressed concern that the Conservancy shouldn't rush into agreements. Planning needs to be done through the agencies and needs to balance appropriate public uses. The river is an asset to the entire community, not just to development, and we need to protect the river as well as provide more access.

Mr. Chris Acree, Executive Director of Revive the San Joaquin, raised allegations that there have been cultural resources and water diversion violations associated with the McCaffrey's properties.

Ms. Carolyn Nolan, a former board member of the Conservancy, supported the comments that were made by the Parkway Trust. She noted that \$1.5 million (the estimated initial revenue) may not be enough money to maintain the area.

Mr. Bart Bohn, President of the San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust, stated that this proposed project needs more work before the Conservancy Board takes action. For example, he noted that much of Ledger Island is located in the 100-year floodway.

Mr. Darrah expressed concern about the developer creating its own nonprofit to control the project and funds.

Ms. Goodwin stated that public and private partnerships can be greatly affected by economic downturn; the Conservancy must make plans to ensure adequate long-term funds.

Ms. Dolph stated that she needs to know more about the project. She noted the project map should be larger.

Mr. Donnelly noted he had some concerns. He inquired about the timeframe for the proposal.

Mr. McCaffrey stated that the proposed Resolution is the first step in beginning planning. Bellezze Naturali is proposing to provide operations and maintenance resources for public access at Ball ranch and Ledger Island.

Mr. Frazier emphasized that this proposal is not to approve a project or plan, but to initiate planning. The plan to be developed cannot in the end be inconsistent with the Parkway Master Plan.

Ms. Forhan stated that maybe the Conservancy should consider taking a step back and look at other options for planning and operating public access at Ball Ranch and Ledger Island. Ms. Forhan expressed concerns about CSLC as the lead agency. The Conservancy should be the lead agency for improvements and uses on Conservancy property.

Ms. Marks stated that as lead agency, CSLC would be responsible for preparing the CEQA documents. The Conservancy would then take the approved documents, and then the Board would discuss and determine what could be approved on Conservancy land.

Ms. Forhan stated that the Conservancy and/or San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust should be represented on the RCTV board.

Mr. McCaffrey stated that it does not matter to Bellezze Naturali who the lead agency is. He noted that they were going to ask Melinda Marks sit on the board.

Ms. Vance stated that she supports in general the concept of generating money for operations and maintenance. The community developing in the area will provide more access to the river. She expressed concerns about some of the language of the Resolution and suggested that the Board should wait until the Parkway Master Plan update has been released. She had concerns about CSLC being the lead agency, although the lead could be any of five different agencies.

Mr. Janzen complimented Mr. McCaffrey for being the first group to step forward to fund operations and maintenance. He noted that the devil is in the details. He agreed that it takes too long to open lands to the public and at some point, the Conservancy needs to move forward. At some point, the Conservancy will own a lot of land, but as it stands that land will not be open to the public.

Mr. McKown noted that the CSLC environmental staff had concerns about the workload impact. He emphasized that the Board is being asked to approve planning, not a project.

Mr. Robinson stated that the Conservancy should get the public's input on this proposed project.

Chairperson Borgeas expressed appreciation for the McCaffreys for bringing this idea forward, and for the Conservancy staff for exploring a partnership if one can be achieved. He stated that providing public access and bringing people to the river is a good thing, and could lead to better conditions. He stated that the Board should not move forward with the resolution since there are questions that need to be answered first.

Mr. Robert McCaffrey, owner of McCaffrey Homes, stated that they have been working with the consultant to establish the nonprofit and the agreements for the sale and resale of homes. He asked the Board to call a vote on the Resolution. The arrangement for transfer fees to the RCTV has been written into the deeds.

Chairperson Borgeas stated that the Board would not take a vote regarding the Resolution today and directed staff to answer the questions that have been raised through this discussion. He asked staff to meet with the McCaffreys and to have Ms. Forhan represent the board at the meetings.

This item was then suspended until the next Board meeting.

Vice-Chairperson Frazier left at 12:55 p.m.

H. ADMINISTRATIVE AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following oral reports are for informational purposes only, and may be accompanied by written reports in the Board packet. No action of the Board is recommended.

H-1 Organizations

H-1a San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust

Ms. Weaver mentioned that Trust, a nonprofit organization, has taken the initiative to help provide operations and maintenance in the Parkway. They currently operate Sycamore Island and they pay the Conservancy a percentage of the user fees. The Trust is very interested in finding ways to support operations.

H-1b RiverTree Volunteers

None.

H-2 Deputy Attorney General

H-3 Executive Officer

H-3a Report on U.S. Bureau of Land Management's Wild and Scenic River Eligibility Determination for a Reach of the San Joaquin River Above Millerton Lake

Ms. Marks stated that due to time constraints she would send the Board an email with her updates.

Chairperson Borgeas left at 1:03 p.m. and Ms. Bryn Forhan took over as acting chair.

H-4 Board Members' Reports

None.

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Public Comment:

Prior to convening in Executive Session, members of the public may address the Board on Executive Session agenda items.

I-1 Government Code Section 54956.8

Consultation with real property negotiators concerning terms of negotiations, including price and terms of payment.

Property: Ball Family Trust, Cemex plant site
Fresno County (APNs 300-007-56 through 60)

Negotiating Parties: David Wasemiller, Realtor, agent for Ball Family Trust
Robert Hillison, Attorney for Ball Family Trust

Agency Negotiators: Melinda Marks, San Joaquin River Conservancy
John Walsh, Wildlife Conservation Board

I-2 Government Code Section 54956.8
Consultation with real property negotiators concerning terms of negotiations, including price and terms of payment.

Property: County of Madera Parkway Land Acquisition Proposal:
Sanoian Family Partnership, seller, Madera County (APN 049-085-022)
County of Madera, seller, Madera County (APN 049-085-023)

Negotiating Parties: Eric Fleming, County Administrative Officer

Agency Negotiators: Melinda Marks, San Joaquin River Conservancy

Mr. Crow reported out of Executive Session that with regard to item I-1, the Board heard a report regarding the status of Ball Ranch acquisition. With regard to item I-2, the Board gave direction to staff for future negotiations.

J. NOTICE OF BOARD, ADVISORY, AND PUBLIC MEETINGS

None.

K. NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE

The next meeting of the Board will be held October 5, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. This meeting was subsequently canceled due to lack of a quorum. (Please note, an earlier start time is observed March through October.)

L. ADJOURN

Ms. Forhan adjourned the meeting at approximately 1:35 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,


Melinda S. Marks, Executive Officer