

CLARK COUNTY STAFF REPORT

DEPARTMENT: Public Works / Parks Division

DATE: April 26, 2016

REQUESTED ACTION: Approve the resolution between Clark County and the Recreation & Conservation Office (RCO) to authorize the Director of Public Works to submit an application for grant funding assistance to the Washington Wildlife Recreation Program for Phase II development of the Chelatchie Prairie Rail Trail.

 X Consent Hearing County Manager

PUBLIC WORKS GOALS:

- ☒ Provide safe and efficient transportation systems in Clark County
- ☒ Create and maintain a vibrant system of parks, trails and green spaces
- ☒ Continue responsible stewardship of public funds
- ☒ Promote family-wage job creation and economic development to support a thriving community
- ☒ Maintain a healthy, desirable quality of life
- ☒ Increase partnerships and foster an engaged, informed community
- ☐ Cultivate a nimble, responsive work force
- ☐ Make Public Works a great place to work

BACKGROUND

The Chelatchie Prairie Rail-with-Trail is envisioned as a 33-mile multi-use trail within the rail road right-of-way. Clark County completed a one-mile segment from Battle Ground Lake State Park in 2011. The next priority is to complete the second of three phases between the City of Battle Ground and Battle Ground State Park. This phase II project will serve to develop an additional 0.6 mile segment of the Chelatchie Prairie Railroad Trail beginning at the existing termini 1.0 miles from Battle Ground Lake State Park, back toward the City of Battle Ground. The trail consists of a 10-foot wide multi use trail surface. The grant amount requested is \$454,147; the 50 percent county match would be \$454,147, for a total project cost of \$908,294. Currently, the City of Battle Ground is developing the trail segment from the Fairgrounds Park on the east edge of downtown Battle Ground to Battle Ground city limits.

Approval of the attached resolution by the Council allows Public Works to apply for the RCO grant. The Recreation and Conservation Office requires the approved resolution be submitted with the grant application. The grant application is due to the RCO by no later than May 2, 2016, in order to be eligible for this grant cycle.

COUNCIL POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The Board of County Councilors will need to provide local funds toward the 50% project grant match.

ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY IMPLICATIONS

None

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The recently approved Comprehensive Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan identifies the Chelatchie Trail development project as a priority project for 2016. The Parks Advisory Board also voted to prioritize this project for grant fund support.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Approving the resolution between Clark County and RCO will commit the county to providing a 50% grant match in the amount of \$454,147 as a requirement. The Board of County Councilors can withdraw from the grant if budget cannot support it due to other commitments. **Please Note: Matching funds will not be requested until the 2017 Spring Supplemental budget process.**

YES	NO	
	X	Action falls within existing budget capacity.
	X	Action falls within existing budget capacity but requires a change of purpose within existing appropriation
X		Additional budget capacity is necessary and will be requested in the next biennium. If YES, please complete the budget impact statement. If YES, this action will be referred to the county council with a recommendation from the county manager.

BUDGET DETAILS

Local Fund Dollar Amount	\$454,147
Grant Fund Dollar Amount	\$454,147
Account	
Company Name	

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APPROVED: _____
CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON
BOARD OF COUNTY COUNCILORS

DATE: _____

BUDGET IMPACT ATTACHMENT

Part I: Narrative Explanation

I. A – Explanation of what the request does that has fiscal impact and the assumptions for developing revenue and costing information

The Chelatchie Trail Phase II project will require a one-time financial impact to the county R.E.E.T fund in the 2017-2018 biennium in the amount of \$454,147. This expense will serve as a 50% match for RCO grant funding. The grant request identifies grant funding needed in the amount of \$454,147 for a total project cost of \$908,294.

Part II: Estimated Revenues

Fund #/Title	Current Biennium		Next Biennium		Second Biennium	
	GF	Total	GF	Total	GF	Total
3083/ R.E.E.T Revenue	0	0	\$454,147	\$454,147	\$0	\$0
1032/ GCPD (Grant Revenue)			\$454,147	\$454,147		
Total	0	0	\$908,294	\$908,294	\$0	\$0

II. A – Describe the type of revenue (grant, fees, etc.)

Part III: Estimated Expenditures

III. A – Expenditures summed up

Fund #/Title	FTE's	Current Biennium		Next Biennium		Second Biennium	
		GF	Total	GF	Total	GF	Total
1032/ GCPD		\$0	0	\$908,294	\$908,294	\$0	\$0
Total		0	0	\$908,294	\$908,294	\$0	\$0

III. B – Expenditure by object category

Fund #/Title	Current Biennium		Next Biennium		Second Biennium	
	GF	Total	GF	Total	GF	Total
Salary/Benefits	\$0	\$0	\$54,197	\$54,197	\$0	\$0
Contractual			\$90,829	\$90,829		
Supplies			\$300	\$300		
Travel						
Other controllables			\$45,415	\$45,415		
Capital Outlays			\$717,553	\$717,553		
Inter-fund Transfers						
Debt Service						
Total	\$0	\$0	\$908,294	\$908,294	\$0	\$0