



**EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
AGENDA STAFF REPORT**

DATE	January 14, 2025
TITLE	Authorization to Transfer and Appropriate \$60,000 from Measure WW for Garin-Pleasanton Ridge Trail (WP31-Acquisition) for the Garin-Pleasanton Ridge Public Access Planning Project: Garin and Pleasanton Ridge Regional Parks
DIVISION	Acquisition, Stewardship, and Development
FROM	Brian Holt, Division Lead of Planning, Trails & GIS Ken Wysocki, Assistant General Manager of Acquisition, Stewardship & Development
APPROVED	Sabrina Landreth, General Manager 

RECOMMENDATION

The General Manager recommends that the Board of Directors authorize the transfer and appropriation of \$60,000 from Measure WW for Garin-Pleasanton Ridge Trail (WP31-Acquisition) to the Garin-Pleasanton Ridge Public Access Project (Project No. 553900) for GHD, Inc. (GHD) to complete additional necessary technical analyses.

BACKGROUND

The Garin-Pleasanton Ridge Public Access Planning Project aims to determine the feasibility of developing the Garin-to-Pleasanton Ridge Regional Trail connection and public access into Garin and Pleasanton Ridge from the Chouinard and Owen properties.

On August 14, 2023, the East Bay Regional Park District (Park District) executed a Contract for Services with GHD in the amount of \$391,310 to provide pre-design services for determining the feasibility and appropriate level of public access at the Chouinard property in Garin, determining feasible trail connections and drainage crossings, providing a safe at-grade crossing of Palomares Road into the Owen property in Pleasanton Ridge, and incorporating the public trail network within the Owen property (Board Resolution No. 2023-08-180). During the feasibility studies, Park District staff determined a necessary re-alignment of the conceptual trail connection from the Chouinard property to connect into the existing trail network in Garin. That shift in the trail alignment triggered the need for additional geotechnical investigations and hydrologic analyses of an additional drainage crossing, resulting in a contract amendment for \$22,135 (Board Resolution No. 2024-02-21). Staff have recently determined that an additional study should be conducted on the primary creek crossing into the Owen property to determine which type of all-weather crossing would be appropriate for year-round access. The recommendation is to perform a hydrology and hydraulics study to include delineation of watershed and estimate hydrologic parameters for the study area. A second contract amendment to GHD's contract is required to account for the additional work required.

This second contract amendment will increase the total contract amount by \$45,751 from \$413,445 to \$459,196. Since this contract increase is less than fifteen percent, Board authorization is not required for this action; however, Board authorization is required for the transfer and appropriation of Measure WW funds required to fund this increase in contract amount.

ANALYSIS

The recommended action for the Board to authorize the transfer and appropriation of Measure WW funds will allow the consultant to conduct the additional technical analyses needed for determining the type of all-weather creek crossing at the primary entrance into Pleasanton Ridge from Palomares Road for the Garin-to-Pleasanton Ridge Regional Trail connection.

No alternatives are recommended.

FISCAL IMPACT

A transfer and appropriation of \$60,000 is requested from the Measure WW Garin-Pleasanton Ridge Trail (WP31-Acquisition) for the Garin-Pleasanton Ridge Public Access Project (Project No. 553900). This will be a one-time transfer and appropriation to fund the contract amendment with the consultant in an amount not to exceed \$45,751. The remaining \$14,249 requested to be transferred and appropriated is contingency for currently un-scoped technical studies that may arise as the project progresses, including additional cultural resource evaluations.

SOURCE OF FUNDS	
Garin-Pleasanton Ridge Public Access Project (Project No. 553900)	\$ 457,000
Encumbrances and Expenditures to Date	(453,464)
Transfer from Measure WW Garin-Pleasanton Ridge Trail (WP31-Acquisition)	60,000
Total Funds Available	\$ 63,536

USE OF FUNDS	
Contract Amendment – GHD	\$ 45,751
Balance Remaining	\$ 17,785

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Chouinard-Owen Public Access Planning Project Area Map



**EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 2025 – 01 -
JANUARY 14, 2025**

**AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER AND APPROPRIATE \$60,000 FROM MEASURE
WW FOR GARIN-PLEASANTON RIDGE TRAIL (WP31-ACQUISITION) FOR THE
GARIN-PLEASANTON RIDGE PUBLIC ACCESS PLANNING PROJECT: GARIN AND
PLEASANTON RIDGE REGIONAL PARKS**

WHEREAS, the primary objective of the Garin-Pleasanton Ridge Public Access Planning Project is to develop the Garin-to-Pleasanton Ridge Regional Trail connection and provide public access into Garin and Pleasanton Ridge from the Chouinard and Owen properties; and

WHEREAS, on August 14, 2023, the East Bay Regional Park District (Park District) executed a Contract for Services with GHD, Inc. (GHD) to provide pre-design services for the Garin-Pleasanton Ridge Public Access Planning Project, including technical analyses; and

WHEREAS, a contract amendment was previously made to provide for additional technical analyses for changes to a trail alignment; and

WHEREAS, Park District staff have determined that year-round access is preferred at the primary creek crossing in the Owen property from Palomares Road; and

WHEREAS, staff have determined a hydrology and hydraulics study to include delineation of watershed and estimate hydrologic parameters for the study area; and

WHEREAS, a contract increase in the amount of \$45,751 is needed for GHD to complete the additional technical analyses; and

WHEREAS, additional funds are needed to cover the cost of the second contract amendment; and

WHEREAS, to cover the cost of the additional analyses and contingencies, this current action will transfer and appropriate \$60,000 from Measure WW Garin-Pleasanton Ridge Acquisition Allocation Area (WP31) to the Garin-Pleasanton Ridge Public Access Project (Project No. 553900);

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the East Bay Regional Park District hereby authorizes the transfer and appropriation of \$60,000 from Measure WW Garin-Pleasanton Ridge Acquisition Allocation Area Bond funds (WP31) to the Garin-Pleasanton Ridge Public Access Project (Project No. 553900); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the General Manager is hereby authorized and directed, on behalf of the Park District and in its name, to execute and deliver such documents and to do such acts as may be deemed necessary or appropriate to accomplish the intentions of this resolution.

Moved by Director _____, and seconded by Director _____, and adopted
January 14, 2025, by the following vote:

FOR:

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: