

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

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<b>DATE</b>	Tuesday, March 5, 2024
<b>TITLE</b>	Authorization to Appropriate and Transfer \$200,000 of Measure FF Funds into Restore Native Grasslands Project: Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline
<b>DIVISION</b>	Acquisition, Stewardship, and Development
<b>FROM</b>	Matt Graul, Chief of Stewardship Ken Wysocki, Assistant General Manager of ASD
<b>APPROVED</b>	Sabrina Landreth, General Manager 

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**RECOMMENDATION**

The General Manager recommends that the Board of Directors authorize the appropriation and transfer of \$200,000 of Measure FF funding into Restore Native Grasslands Project (Project) (Project No. 563500) for Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline (Miller/Knox).

**BACKGROUND**

Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline supports a range of high quality and unique native grasslands. Historical and current land uses have impacted these resources through erosion, competition by non-native plant species, and conversion to brushland. These high-quality grasslands at Miller/Knox were identified and targeted for further enhancement and restoration through the Measure FF development of priority projects. This project will restore and enhance grassland habitat at Miller/Knox through management of non-native plant species and other actions for increasing biodiversity and resilience of these habitats.

**ANALYSIS**

Without further restoration, the high-quality native grasslands will be lost and become brushland. Utilizing data created from the Fine Scale Vegetation Map Project (Project # 543000), restoration efforts will be targeted for maximum impact and efficacy. This restoration not only saves and enhance the high-quality native grasslands, but will provide additional habitat for native species, conserves water and reduces Park District operations staff time in maintenance.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

This action will appropriate \$200,000 of the \$300,000 available in Measure FF Miller/Knox Resource Related Allocation Area Fund (FR10) into the Project. There is an additional \$199,864 in Measure FF Miller/Knox Safety and Access Allocation Area Fund. These project funds will be used for activities to enhance native grasslands at Miller Knox. These funds will cover a portion of the total cost to implement restoration, but additional funds for implementation and ongoing maintenance, along with staff time will be required and to be determined.

<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b>	
Appropriation & Transfer from Measure FF Funds Miller/Knox Resource Related Allocation Area (FR10) to Restore Native Grasslands Project (No. 563500)	200,000
<b>Total Project Funds Available</b>	<b>\$ 200,000</b>

**ATTACHMENT**

- I. Measure FF Allocation Area Map



**EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT  
RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - 03 -  
MARCH 5, 2024**

**AUTHORIZATION TO APPROPRIATE AND TRANSFER \$200,000 OF MEASURE FF  
FUNDS INTO RESTORE NATIVE GRASSLANDS PROJECT: MILLER/KNOX  
REGIONAL SHORELINE**

**WHEREAS**, the East Bay Regional Park District (Park District) assures the preservation of native plant species as defined in its mission; and

**WHEREAS**, fine scale vegetation mapping has identified areas of old growth high-quality grasslands at Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline (Miller/Knox) that have been degraded by historic and current land uses; and

**WHEREAS**, funding is needed to restore and enhance highly native grassland habitats, thereby increasing biodiversity and ecosystem resiliency; and

**WHEREAS**, Measure FF funds are available and slated for this project from the Miller/Knox Allocation Resource Related Allocation Area Fund (FR10);

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors of the East Bay Regional Park District hereby authorizes the appropriation and transfer of \$200,000 from Measure FF Miller/Knox Resource Related Allocation Area Funds (FR10) into the Restore Native Grasslands Project (Project No. 563500) for Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline as presented to the Board on March 5, 2024; 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 March 5, 2024, by the following vote:

FOR:

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: