




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

DATE	December 17, 2024
TITLE	Authorization to Amend the On-Call Trail Services Agreement with Santa Cruz Mountains Trail Stewardship for the Amount Not to Exceed \$1,500,000: District-wide
DIVISION	Acquisition, Stewardship, and Development
FROM	Brian Holt, Chief 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 amendment to an On-Call Trail Services Agreement with Santa Cruz Mountains Trail Stewardship (SCMTS), in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 for trail construction and design services for trail development projects district-wide.

BACKGROUND

The East Bay Regional Park District (Park District) Trails Program is progressing several trail projects. Permits have been obtained or will be obtained for projects including but not limited to approximately five miles of new trail within Pleasanton Ridge Regional Park, the Bay Area Ridge Trail from Garin to Vallejo Mills, and restoration and rerouting of the Bay Area Ridge Trail within Sibley/McCosker. Current permits secured were issued in 2020 and are valid until 2025/2026. These permits were challenging to secure and took several years to negotiate since adoption of the Pleasanton Ridge Land Use Plan in 2012. Additional assistance from Santa Cruz Mountains Trail Stewardship is required due to the complexity of the proposed trail projects and the dedication of effort required to complete them within a limited period of time.

To seek out potential qualified contractors for this work, a Request for Qualifications was posted on the Professional Trail Builders Association website on June 24, 2022, for a period of three weeks. Three responses were received from Trailscape Inc., Singletrack Trails Inc., and SCMTS.

SCMTS has proven to be the best qualified due to their prior work building hundreds of miles of trails with other government agencies, their operators have hundreds of hours of experience building trails with a variety of heavy equipment in difficult and steep terrain, they have familiarity with the necessary permit requirements, demonstrated pace and efficiency in constructing quality trails, and familiarity with complex trail design plans and installation of trail infrastructure such as bridges, culverts, retaining walls, and armored stream crossings. SCMTS recently completed the approximately 1-mile Valle Vista Trail in Pleasanton Ridge in under eight weeks and is receiving 100% positive feedback from staff and the community.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Park District is requesting authorization from the Board to amend the existing On-Call Trail Services Agreement with Santa Cruz Mountains Trail Stewardship (SCMTS) for an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000. There is no current cost to amend this On-Call Trail Services Agreement. Each trail project will be a separate task/purchase order with a defined scope and cost created under this agreement which will use available Board appropriated project funds. The Park District is not obligated to spend the entire amount of this On-Call agreement and will progress various trail projects as projects are identified and sufficient funding is available.

ATTACHMENTS

None.



**EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 12 -
DECEMBER 17, 2024**

**AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND THE ON-CALL TRAIL SERVICES AGREEMENT
WITH SANTA CRUZ MOUNTAINS TRAIL STEWARDSHIP FOR THE AMOUNT
NOT TO EXCEED \$1,500,000: DISTRICT-WIDE**

WHEREAS, the East Bay Regional Park District (Park District) Trails Program is progressing several trail projects and permits have been obtained or will be obtained for projects including but not limited to approximately five miles of new trail within Pleasanton Ridge Regional Park, the Bay Area Ridge Trail from Garin to Vallejo Mills, and restoration and rerouting of the Bay Area Ridge Trail within Sibley/McCosker; and

WHEREAS, seasonal restrictions, limited availability of staff and equipment, and complexity of the proposed trail projects limit the Park District's capacity to construct these new trail projects within the required timeline; and

WHEREAS, in May 2024 per Board Resolution No. 2024-05-100 the Park District Board authorized entering into an On-Call Trail Services Agreement with Santa Cruz Mountains Trail Stewardship who has proven to be the best qualified due to their prior work building hundreds of miles of trails with other government agencies, their operators have hundreds of hours of experience building trails with a variety of heavy equipment in difficult and steep terrain and their recent success working with the Park District to construct the Valle Vista Trail in Pleasanton Ridge in under eight weeks;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the East Bay Regional Park District hereby authorizes the General Manager to amend the On-Call Trail Services Agreement with Santa Cruz Mountains Trail Stewardship in the amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 for completion of various trail development projects; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, 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 December 17, 2024, by the following vote:

FOR:

AGAINST:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: