



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

DATE November 5, 2024
TITLE Recommendation for the 2024 Radke Championing Advocacy Award
DIVISION General Manager's Office
FROM Erich Pfuehler, Chief of Government and Legislative Affairs
APPROVED Sabrina Landreth, General Manager 

RECOMMENDATION

The General Manager recommends the Board of Directors adopt a resolution to present Assemblymember Tim Grayson with the 2024 Radke Championing Advocacy Award. The Board Legislative Committee unanimously supported this recommendation at the September 30, 2024 meeting.

BACKGROUND

The Radke Championing Advocacy Award is awarded by the East Bay Regional Park District (Park District) and the Regional Parks Foundation to an advocacy champion who advances state or Federal support for the Park District. It is named for the late Ted Radke, a member of the Park District Board of Directors who, at 36 years of service, was the longest-serving board member in the Park District's 90-year history. Director Radke established the Legislative Committee of the Board and was doggedly committed to strengthening the Park District's ties to Sacramento and Washington, D.C.

Previous recipients include United States Representative Mark DeSaulnier, Assemblymember Rebecca Bauer-Kahan, State Senator Nancy Skinner, former General Manager Robert E. Doyle, State Senator Steve Glazer, Assemblymember Eduardo Garcia and State Senator Bob Wieckowski.

ANALYSIS

Assemblymember Tim Grayson is a champion of policies that promote transportation improvements which are in line with the Park District's goal to provide climate-friendly transportation corridors, as well as policies that help minimize the risk of wildfires. In 2022, the Assemblymember secured \$3 million in state funding for development of the South of Bailey Road Staging Area at Thurgood Marshall Regional Park – Home of the Port Chicago 50. He also authored AB 2091 Existing Trails for Nature Access which is Park District sponsored legislation which was Chaptered into law on September 22, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT

None.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution.



**EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 2024 – 11 -
NOVEMBER 5, 2024**

RECOMMENDATION FOR THE 2024 RADKE CHAMPIONING ADVOCACY AWARD

WHEREAS, the East Bay Regional Park District (Park District) strives to engage on legislative actions in alignment with its identified key advocacy goals including wildfire resilience, sea level rise preparedness, community health, ecosystem stewardship, green jobs, welcoming visitor use facilities and climate-friendly transportation; and

WHEREAS, across all identified focus areas, overarching principles include equitable service delivery, advancing climate resiliency adaptation and mitigation, guiding work with an environmental ethic, supporting inclusive interpretation and educational opportunities, increasing conservation through land acquisition, and ensuring the fiscal health of the Park District; and

WHEREAS, Assemblymember Tim Grayson is a long-term supporter and user of the Park District; and

WHEREAS, Assemblymember Grayson is a champion of policies that promote transportation improvements which are in line with the Park District’s goal to provide climate-friendly transportation corridors as well as policies that help minimize the risk of wildfires; and

WHEREAS, Assemblymember Grayson secured \$3 million in state funding for development of the South of Bailey Road Staging Area at Thurgood Marshall Regional Park – Home of the Port Chicago 50; and

WHEREAS, Assemblymember Grayson authored Park District sponsored legislation, AB 2091 Existing Trails for Nature Access, which was Chaptered into law on September 22, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the East Bay Regional Park District hereby adopt approval of the 2024 Radke Championing Advocacy Award to recipient Assemblymember Tim Grayson as presented to the Board on November 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 November 5, 2024, by the following vote:

FOR:

AGAINST:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT: