

**MEMORANDUM
DEPARTMENT OF FACILITY SERVICES
COUNTY OF PLACER**

To: **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Date: **JULY 11, 2006**

From: **JAMES DURFEE / ALBERT RICHIE**

Subject: **RATIFY PAYMENT TO TAHOE CITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT FOR
EMERGENCY REPAIRS OF THE SQUAW VALLEY PARK BIKE TRAIL**

ACTION REQUESTED/RECOMMENDATION: Ratify payment in the amount of \$7,369 to the Tahoe City Public Utility District for emergency repairs authorized for the Squaw Valley Bike Trail that runs through Squaw Valley Park from Highway 89 to Squaw Creek Road.

BACKGROUND: On June 27, 2006, your Board approved a three year Maintenance Service Agreement with the Tahoe City Public Utility District (TCPUD) to provide maintenance at County-owned beaches and public recreation facilities in the Tahoe City area. One of the public recreation facilities included in the Agreement with TCPUD is the Squaw Valley Park Bike Trail.

Due to this past winter's storm events, the Squaw Valley Bike Trail experienced severe damage. The trail is currently open, but with barricades and caution tape to direct the public around the damaged areas. The TCPUD has several miles of bike trail in the same area that also experienced severe damage that they are in the process of repairing prior to the busy July 4th weekend. TCPUD contacted the County with a proposal to repair the County's portion of the bike trail and let the County take advantage of the efficiencies to be gained by having a contractor in the area performing a larger quantity of similar type work. It is estimated the County saved \$4,000 - \$5,000 by authorizing the work to be performed in ~~the~~ manner, and mitigated the County's risk of liability by correcting a dangerous situation for the public in an expedited manner.

ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE: Repair of the Squaw Valley Bike Trail is categorically exempt from CEQA, pursuant to Title 14, California Code of Regulation, Section 15301, which allows for the operation, repair, maintenance or minor alterations of existing facilities.

FISCAL IMPACT: The cost to repair the Squaw Valley Bike Trail is \$7,369 and will be paid using Transient Occupancy Tax funds allocated for maintenance and administration of County owned public recreation facilities in the Lake Tahoe area. In addition, staff has requested consideration of this expense be considered by FEMA as storm related damage due to the New Year storm incident.

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