



MEMORANDUM
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
ENGINEERING DIVISION
County of Placer

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors **DATE:** October 26, 2021
FROM: Ken Grehm, Director of Public Works
BY: Kellen Prindiville, Associate Civil Engineer
SUBJECT: Grant Application / CA State Parks Rural Recreation & Tourism Program

ACTION REQUESTED

Adopt a Resolution approving an application for grant funds to the California State Parks Rural Recreation and Tourism Program for Yankee Jims Responsive Recreational Improvements.

BACKGROUND

In June 2018, California voters passed Proposition 68; the California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2018 (Prop 68). One of the programs funded by Prop 68 is the Rural Recreation and Tourism (RRT) Program. The RRT Program will create new recreation opportunities within rural communities to support health-related and economic goals. This program is funded by Proposition 68 (2018 Bond Act), which is found in Public Resources Code §80090(a)(b).

On September 5, 2017, your Board adopted a resolution to award PSA No. 000969 to Quincy Engineering for final design for the Yankee Jims Road at North Fork American River Bridge Replacement Project (Bridge Project). The design, environmental, and right-of-way processes are progressing and there is an opportunity near the Bridge Project site to create a recreational area. The Department of Public Works proposes to submit an application to the RRT Program for funds to construct the recreational area, known as Yankee Jims Responsive Recreational Improvements. Improvements will support active and passive recreation by providing access for rafters and hikers to the North Fork American River and the Indian Creek Trail respectively, as well as offering a scenic overlook of the river and Shirttail Creek confluence. Specific improvements and features include the following:

- A graded gravel parking lot, allowing approximately 30 parking spaces
- An ADA accessible picnic table, overlooking the river
- A shade structure over the picnic table
- A wood stairway down to the river/creek confluence to accommodate large rafts
- 2 interpretive signs describing the biological, cultural, and historic importance of the area.

According to RRT Program guidelines and based on median household income for the project area, the recreational area would not require match funding and, if granted, would be funded 100% by the RRT Program.

The RRT Program application delegates authority to a designated position to conduct all

negotiations, sign and submit all documents, including, but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, and payment requests, which may be necessary for the completion of the Grant Scope. For this grant application, the designated position is the Director of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The Bridge Project is currently under CEQA and NEPA review. All local, State, and Federal requirements will be met for the recreational improvements as well.

FISCAL IMPACT

The recreational area applied for with the RRT Program will be 100% funded by the RRT program. Participating elements of the Bridge Project will be funded by the Federal Highway Bridge Program. Local Regional Surface Transportation funds will be used to fund items that are determined to be non-participating. Funding is included in the FY 2021-22 Budget under project PC 2952 – Yankee Jims Bridge over N. Fork American River and will be budgeted in future year budgets as needed.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution
Location Map

B. Grant Application / CA State Parks Rural Recreation & Tourism Program

Before the Board of Supervisors County of Placer, State of California

In the matter of: A Resolution approving application for Rural Recreation and Tourism Program Grant funds.

Resolution No.: _____

The following Resolution was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer at a regular meeting held October 26, 2021, by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

Chair, Board of Supervisors

Attest:

Clerk of said Board

WHEREAS, the State Department of Parks and Recreation has been delegated the responsibility by the Legislature of the State of California for the administration of the Rural Recreation and Tourism Grant Program, setting up necessary procedures governing the application; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the State Department of Parks and Recreation require the Applicant to certify by resolution the approval of the application before submission of said application to the State; and

WHEREAS, successful Applicants will enter into a contract with the State of California to complete the Grant Scope project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer, State of California, that the Board does hereby approve the filing of an application for the Yankee Jims Responsive Recreational improvements; and:

1. Certifies that said Applicant has or will have available, prior to commencement of any work on the project included in this application, the sufficient funds to complete the project; and
2. Certifies that if the project is awarded, the Applicant has or will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project, and
3. Certifies that the Applicant has reviewed, understands, and agrees to the General Provisions contained in the contract shown in the Grant Administration Guide; and
4. Delegates the authority to the Director of Public Works to conduct all negotiations, sign and submit all documents, including, but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, and payment requests, which may be necessary for the completion of the Grant Scope; and
5. Agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and guidelines.
6. Will consider promoting inclusion per Public Resources Code §80001(b)(8 A-G).

LOCATION MAP
YANKEE JIMS ROAD BRIDGE OVER THE NORTH FORK AMERICAN RIVER

