County of San Luis Obispo
PARKS & RECREATION
Curtis Black, Interim Director

THINK OUTSIDE!

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Elizabeth Kavanaugh, Department of Parks and Recreation

DATE: May 24, 2016

SUBJECT: Submittal of a resolution accepting a public trail easement offer of dedication, as shown on Tract Map 2994, to the County of San Luis Obispo.

RECOMMENDATION

(1) Approve the attached resolution accepting a public trail easement offer of dedication for the trail easement identified on Tract map 2994 (this action does not open this trail for public use);
(2) Authorize and instruct the County Clerk of the Board to record a copy of the signed resolution in accordance with the instructions contained within the resolution.

DISCUSSION

Since 1991, County Parks has conditioned discretionary projects to provide trail easements consistent with Board adopted plans. On December 19, 2006 the Board adopted the Parks and Recreation Element including specific trail plans and design criteria.

Tract Map 2994, a proposed subdivision resulting in 116 lots, was conditioned to provide a 25-foot wide public trail easement offer of dedication to the County of San Luis Obispo.

Accepting the trail easement, identified on Tract Map 2994, would not open it to the public. This offer is for an easement, not for a constructed trail.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The Board's action would not provide funds to construct or maintain a new trail. The action would accept the trail easement by the County. The County could incur potential minor liability (by virtue of accepting the easement) and County

Parks could incur minor maintenance costs such as clearing vegetation from the trail easement for fire control, or posting signage. There have been no additional operating costs incurred to date (other than as stated above) for previously accepted trail easements.

RESULTS

Accepting the public trail easement offer of dedication will enable the future implementation of the trails depicted in the County's Parks and Recreation Element, thereby providing safe, healthy, and livable communities.

Attachments:

- Resolution