

Resolution No. _____
County Administration Bldg.
Santa Rosa, CA
Date: _____

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SONOMA COUNTY WATER AGENCY AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER/CHIEF ENGINEER TO EVALUATE ACQUISITION OF LAKE SONOMA TRACT 1607, TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION AND ANY RELATED DOCUMENTS TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR/NATIONAL PARK SERVICE TO ACQUIRE LAKE SONOMA TRACT 1607, TO ACQUIRE THE PROPERTY, AND TO DO AND PERFORM SPECIFIED ACTS AND THINGS WHICH MAY BE NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES OF THIS RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, certain real property owned by the United States of America, located in the County of Sonoma, State of California, has been declared surplus and, at the discretion of the U.S. General Services Administration, may be assigned to the Secretary of the Interior for disposal for public park or recreation purposes under provisions of 40 U.S.C. § 550 (e), and any regulations and policies promulgated pursuant thereto; and

WHEREAS, the surplus property is a 140 acre parcel of land above Lake Sonoma commonly known as Tract 1607, and is identified under GSA Control Number 9-GR-CA-1504, and

WHEREAS, the Sonoma County Water Agency (Agency) would use Tract 1607 for public access and as a part of the Agency's *Headwaters 2 Ocean* educational program, and for other public access and recreational purposes; and

WHEREAS, under the *Headwaters 2 Ocean* program, students would be provided several field trip destinations throughout the school year exploring the natural and human processes that shape the Russian River watershed, with Tract 1607 being the ideal first field trip destination demonstrating the dynamic nature of water originating in the highest reaches of a watershed; and

WHEREAS, Agency staff has been working with the U.S. Department of Interior/National Park Service to prepare and submit an Application to Acquire Surplus Federal Real Property under the Federal Lands for Parks Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the hereby finds, determines, and declares as follows:

1. All of the above recitals are true and correct.
2. The General Manager/Chief Engineer is authorized and directed to evaluate acquisition of Lake Sonoma Tract 1607, to submit an application and any related documents to the U.S. Department of the Interior/National Park Service to acquire Lake Sonoma Tract 1607, to acquire the property, and secure the transfer to, Sonoma Tract 1607 for said use and subject to such exceptions, reservations, terms, covenants, agreements, conditions, and restrictions as the National Park Service and the Federal disposal agency may require in connection with the disposal of said property under said Act and the regulations and policies issued pursuant thereto.
3. The Agency has legal authority, and is willing and able, to properly develop, maintain, operate, and assume liability of the property, and that The General Manager/Chief Engineer is hereby authorized, for and on behalf of the Agency, to do and perform any and all acts and things which may be necessary to carry out this resolution, including the preparing, making, and filing of plans, applications, reports, and other documents, the execution, acceptance, delivery, and recordation of agreements, deeds, and other instruments pertaining to the transfer of said property, including the filing of copies of the application and the conveyance documents in the records of the governing body, and the payment of any and all sums necessary on account of the purchase price thereof or fees or costs incurred in connection with the transfer of said property for survey, title searches, recordation or instruments, or other costs identified with the acquisition of said property.

DIRECTORS:

BROWN _____ KERNS _____ ZANE _____ CARRILLO _____ KELLEY _____

Ayes _____ Noes _____ Absent _____ Abstain _____

SO ORDERED.