From:Loren MeagherTo:Lundquist, Wyatt (RCO)Cc:Jonker, Sandra A (DFW)

Subject: Support for extension request of RCO grant 14-1097

Date: Tuesday, April 2, 2019 10:07:21 AM

Wyatt,

Please consider extending grant # 14-1097, named Simcoe 2014. This extension will facilitate the completion of the planned fencing which is a critical component of not only this phase of the Simcoe Unit project but the other phases which are contiguous to Simcoe 2014.

Both Central Klickitat Conservation District and Eastern Klickitat Conservation District support this extension. Both districts will also provide support to DFW to complete the work.

Thank you,

Loren Meagher P.E. District Manager, Regional Engineer Central Klicktiat Conservation District Eastern Klicktiat Conservation District (509)261-2707

RESOLUTION NO. 1498

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CITY OF PASCO APPLICATION TO THE WASHINGTON STATE RECREATION AND CONSERVATION OFFICE – BOATING FACILITIES PROGRAM TO IMPROVE THE SCHLAGEL PARK BOATING FACILITIES

WHEREAS, the Schlagel Park Boating Facilities are located between the Port of Pasco's Osprey Pointe and Marine Terminal development projects; and,

WHEREAS, the Port is pursuing mixed-use developments at these waterfront locations, which is supported by the City of Pasco; and,

WHEREAS, numerous community surveys have indicated a community desire to have 'more things to do along the waterfront'; and,

WHEREAS, neither Osprey Pointe, shallow river depth, or the Marine Terminal, existing high wharf, are suitable for recreational boating; and,

WHEREAS, both developments will rely on the Schlagel Park facilities to provide a recreational boat launch access to the waterfront; and,

WHEREAS, the facilities originally constructed in the 1950's and partly upgraded in the 1970's, are in poor condition and unsafe; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed project will create a safe, upgraded and ADA-compliant boating facilities that enable public watercraft access to the Columbia River.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Commissioners for the Port of Pasco fully supports the City of Pasco application to the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office.

ADOPTED this 25th day of October, 2018.

PORT OF PASCO COMMISSION

Jean Ryckman, President

James T. Klindworth, Vice-President

Vicki Gordon, Secretary



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CORPS OF ENGINEERS, WALLA WALLA DISTRICT 201 NORTH 3RD AVENUE WALLA WALLA, WA 99362-1876

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WA STATE RECREATION AND CONSERVATION OFFICE

Real Estate Division

SUBJECT: 2018 Boating Facilities Grant Request #18-2355D, City of Pasco

Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office 2018 Boating Facilities Grant Request P.O. Box 40917 Olympia, Washington 98504-0917

To Whom It May Concern:

The US Army Corps of Engineers (the Corps) strongly supports the City of Pasco's (the City) 2018 Boating Facilities Grant Request #18-2355D to fund improvements and updates to the current boating facilities at Schlagel Park. This area has been leased out to the City of Pasco since 1976 for Public Recreation from the Corps.

There is a critical need for the City to receive this grant funding to provide updates to Schlagel Park. The existing boating facilities are in poor and unsafe conditions and are not ADA compliant. If the City were to receive this grant they would be able to improve public recreation and allow more members in the community to access the Columbia River at Schlagel Park.

Using the requested state grant matched with the City's funds, the City intends to improve the existing facilities by replacing the existing boat launch ramps and boarding dock, along with constructing an ADA-compliant restroom and adding sufficient regular and pull-through boat trailer parking.

Water based Public Recreation is a mission of the Corps and to improve access and safety of public facilities on Corps managed land is a high priority. We applaud the City's efforts to build upon past public investments and maintain the value and facilities of Schlagel Park by upgrading and updating its boating facilities.

Thank you for taking our support into consideration. Please feel free to contact me at 509-527-7321 or Rodney.C.Huffman@usace.army.mil with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Rodney C. Huffman Chief, Real Estate

Real Estate Contracting Officer

Rodney C. Huff

FRIENDS OF LUTHER BURBANK PARK

November 7, 2018

Attention: Ms. DeAnna Beck Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office P.O. Box 40917 Olympia, Washington 98504-0917

Dear Boating Facilities Program panelists,

Luther Burbank Park is the jewel park of Mercer Island. It has three quarters of a mile of waterfront along northeast portion of our island in the middle of Lake Washington. It has a rich history prior to being a King County park but due to budget problems at the turn of the century the county gifted the park to the city of Mercer Island. The park had become rundown and the public docks may be the most obvious example of that long slow decline.

The 7000 square feet of today's failing docks were constructed in 1974. Today this prime location could serve a great variety of water-based activities to one of the most vibrant water sports populations in the nation.

Small power boats are today's main dock users. But the old dilapidated docks can be potentially damaging to their boats since they are falling apart. Secondary floating docks have been put in place to support a popular sailing program over the years and sailing classes require small motor boats for training purposes out on the water and at the docks edge. Many residents would appreciate a city run rental facility for kayaks, canoes and paddle boards. The historic steam plant is perfectly situated to serve that need.

The beach area next to the docks is registered as a Lake to Locks stopping point that links Lake Washington, Lake Union and Ballard's Hiram M. Chittenden Locks with salt water of Puget Sound at Shilshole Bay. Working restrooms are one strategic draw at Luther Burbank Park...but the historic steam plant's restrooms along with the children's playground, tennis courts, picnic areas, swim beach and wetland walks should be more available to water-oriented park lovers.

Mercer Island puts on a hugely popular Summer Celebration in July and Argosy boats tie up to one pier to take scenic cruises around the island. That likely draws more people onto today's docks than any other single day of the year. Luther Burbank Park is also a

stop for Christmas ships in December. Recently the swim beach has been the only logical place for people to gather on shore. The steam plant and waterfront docks remain dormant and dark which is a missed opportunity as a social gathering place in winter.

Friends of Luther Burbank Park does not wish to see the park privatized or commercialized. We support that focus from our City Council and our Mercer Island Parks Department as they plan for unregulated docks becoming a more vibrant waterfront park without losing the park's serenity with nature. A dock upgrade is past due. We trust that dock upgrade can enhance aquatic and land-based ecosystems and at the same time allow for this regionally significant park to welcome a water-oriented population of park lovers to our shores. We urge you to grant state funds to this critical need.

Sincerely,

Sue Stewart, President

Friends of Luther Burbank Park

P.O. Box 552 MERCER ISLAND, WA 98040 To: Recreation and Conservation office

From: Officer Greg Haw

Subject: Support for improvements to Boston Harbor WDFW Access Area

WDFW Boston Harbor Access Area

A justification for improvements to the facility and suggestions.

(Officer Greg Haw)

ABSTRACT

Marine Area 13 includes all contiguous marine areas south of the Tacoma Narrow's Bridge. Very few high use public access sites exist in this area with only two maintained and operated by WDFW. These include the Boston Harbor and Luhrs Beach site. The only others are Arcadia Point (Squaxin Tribe) Latimers Landing (Mason County) and Swan Town Marine (Budd Inlet). The Luhrs Beach site is highly limited due to very shallow water adjacent to Nisqually Reach. In summer months, where low tides occur during daylight hour's boaters and anglers can only launch the smallest of vessel. Marina facilities and services are not available and this this area is highly vulnerable to a SE wind. The Boston Harbor site is protected from prevailing winds. It is adjacent to a full service marina, fuel is available and it is located very nearby popular fishing, crabbing and boating areas. In addition this site serves the entire greater Olympia area. Seasonal activity is heavy. Starting with a May shrimp fishery, a typical July crab opener and culminating with the largest return of hatchery Fall Chinook in Puget Sound (July, September). Currently the Boston Harbor facility is by far the most centrally located marine access point in Marine Area 13 and it serves the largest population base. (Olympia) Improvements to this access site needs to be prioritized.

Emergency access: If one were to anticipate the need for emergency access to Marine Area 13 due to a life threatening event, this would be the most centrally located departure point for an emergency response. Currently the Thurston County Sheriff's Office has an emergency response vessel moored at Swan town Marina (About 7 miles away) It needs to be noted that Advanced Life Support serviced would be best accommodated by land, at the Boston Harbor Access Point. This emergency access advantage would also apply equally to remote areas on Pierce, Mason AND Thurston County.

Official Access: This site is heavily used by state environmental agencies as well as private sector watchdog organizations to include numerous State Colleges and Universities.

Boating and Wildlife viewing access: The non-angling public is also well served by the Boston Harbor Facility. Recent years have shown a vast increase in the amount of all forms of recreational motorized watercraft, as people are finally discovering the wonderful and currently underutilized boating and wildlife viewing opportunity that Marne Area 13 has to offer. There is currently some scouring occurring under the existing ramp that makes launching a small boat hazardous at times, especially for early, predawn anglers.

4 February 2019

Brian Mitchell

Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife

Recreation & Conservation Office

To Whom It May Concern,

I have been asked to provide input on a proposal for funding of upgrades for the public boat launch at the Boston Harbor Marina near Olympia, Washington. This facility is located within our fire district, and I know it to be a very valuable asset to the community, and can be, during boating season, a very busy spot for recreational boating. Safety is one of the most important considerations that we place on use of public facilities, and the improvements described to me that would be funded under the proposal would certainly increase the safe access and travel of the boating public.

Our fire district has worked with a variety of organizations to promote and implement improvements to public facilities throughout the community, and we see this as a very good opportunity for the State to provide a wise investment for public use, convenience and safety. Please consider this letter as an endorsement for the proposal for funding of such a project.

Please let me know if you have any questions or require any further information. I may be reached by telephone at 360-491-5320 or e-mail at vancamp@southbayfire.com. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Brian K VanCamp, Fire Chief

Thurston County Fire Protection District 8

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January 11, 2019

Recreation Conservation Office, Boating Facility program

To whom it may concern:

This letter is to state that, on behalf of the Castle Rock School District Board of Directors, the Castle Rock School District strongly supports the Al Helenberg Memorial Boat Launch Safety Improvement project.

At this time, the river current is stronger than desirable for the ideal safety of boaters on the river. Every year there are accidents and/or tragedies on our rivers, many due to people either unaware of or underestimating the strong current. This project will help to mitigate these accidents and tragedies. One less accident or tragedy will be a win!

Please help us in keeping our river safe!

Sincerely,

Jim Mabbott, Superintendent



Recreation and Conservation Office

Boating Facilities Program

The existing restroom facility at Jetty Landing Boat Launch is certainly showing age and is outdated from a technology standpoint and ability to accommodate the continuing growth of boat launch users. Jetty Landing boat launch is a public jewel, as the largest publicly owned launch in the state and more and more people every year are taking advantage of this public amenity. The restrooms should help exemplify this great facility and be the right size to meet the needs of our local boaters.

Sincerely

Jeff LaLone

VP Everett Bayside Marine inc

Managing partner Bayside Holdings, Bayside Drystack



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January 8, 2019

Washington Recreation and Conservation Office P.O. Box 40917 Olympia, Washington 98504-0917 Boating Facilities Program

RE: Grant application number 18-2524D: Jetty Landing Restroom Rebuild

Dear Review Board,

The Tulalip Tribe supports the Port of Everett's efforts to replace the aging restroom facilities at the Jetty Landing Boat Launch in Everett, Washington. The facility is important to the Tribe's members as they use the boat launch facilities year round both recreationally and commercially. The boat launch is the largest publicly owned launch in the state and it has ample parking which makes it very popular. However, given the size of the launch facility, the existing restroom is undersized. It would benefit the Tribal community as well as the broader general community to have a new restroom building that is better able to support this valuable public access asset.

Thank you for considering funding a replacement restroom facility.

Sincerely,

Kurt Nelson

Environmental Division Manager

Tulalip Tribes Natural Resources Department

cc: Laura Gurley, Port of Everett



Recreation and Conservation Office

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December 18, 2018

Dear Recreation & Conservation Office Grant Evaluation Committee,

The Bremerton Parks & Recreation Commission would like to express its strong and unanimous support for the City of Bremerton's **Boating Facilities Program** grant application to fund renovations to replace the boat launch at **Kitsap Lake Park** located on Bremerton's *only* freshwater lake.

Renovations to Kitsap Lake Park are identified as a priority in the current <u>Parks, Recreation & Open Space (PROS)</u> <u>Plan</u>, which was adopted in March 2014 after an extensive 18-month public outreach and comment period. The recommendations in the PROS Plan identified the need to ensure the boat launch remains in safe, usable condition and upgrade the site to be ADA compliant to provide access to the boat launch and boating amenities. Based on the needs identified in the 2014 PROS Plan, the Parks and Recreation Commission has collaborated with the City to develop a master plan that addresses these site deficiencies and has conducted several public meetings (including one on-site) to invite community feedback on the proposed improvements. In addition to replacing the nearly 30-year old boat launch, this project will also improve the environment by installing a fish-friendly dock and modular wetland.

We thank you for your consideration to support replacement of this aging boat launch.

Sincerely,

Bremerton Parks and Recreation Commission

Timothy Baker, Chair, Position #1

Benjamin Burnette, Vice-Chair, Position #3

Maggie Williams, Position #6

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Patrick Watson, Position #5

Elizabeth Wrenn, Position #2

David Hedger, Position #7