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Board Debrief of the July 18th Mount Umunhum Open House and Workshop

GENERAL MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

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Debrief and comment on the July 18th Mount Umunhum Open House and Workshop.

SUMMARY

This agenda item is to provide an opportunity for the Board and District staff to debrief on the July 18th Mount Umunhum Open House and Workshop.

DISCUSSION

A well-attended public open house and Board workshop was held on Wednesday, July 18, 2012 for the radar tower options under consideration for the Mount Umunhum Public Access and Environmental Restoration Project. The number of participants wishing to speak to the Board exceeded the time capacity available, even though speakers were limited to two minutes each. The facility required the meeting to adjourn before the Board had an opportunity to deliberate and ask further questions of staff. The next Mt. Um public open house and Board workshop is scheduled for September 19, 2012, in Menlo Park. The September 19 meeting will include Board discussion and deliberation of the "Factors to Consider" proposed for use in facilitating the decision-making process, which staff presented for Board consideration at the July 18 meeting.

Public attendance at the July 18 meeting exceeded 250 participants. A final estimate will be provided to the Board as part of the report for the September 19, 2012 meeting, along with a summary of public comments gathered at each of the display stations, public sentiment on the "Factors to Consider," and other public comment received.

BOARD COMMITTEE REVIEW

Committee review is not required for this agenda item.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public notice was provided as required by the Brown Act.

CEQA COMPLIANCE

This item is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

NEXT STEPS

As presented at the July 18 Workshop, the next Board meeting on the Mount Umunhum Site Planning Project is scheduled for September 19, 2012, to be held in Menlo Park. At this meeting, the Board will formally consider for acceptance the “Factors to Consider” to facilitate the decision-making process for selecting a radar tower option. The Board will also consider approval of select Project elements, not involving the radar tower. A decision on the radar tower is expected at a Board meeting later in the fall.

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