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California Department of Parks and Recreation
Office of Grants and Local Services
P.O. Box 942896
Sacramento, CA 94296-0001

Subject: Land Tenure Regarding the Lake Natoma Waterfront and Trail Access Enhancement
Project Grant Proposal

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to express support for the Lake Natoma Waterfront and Trail Access Enhancement Project and to explain the land tenure for the project. This project would occur within Folsom Lake State Recreation Area (SRA) entirely on Federal land administered by the Bureau of Reclamation and managed by the Gold Fields District of California Department of Parks and Recreation (CDPR) through a long term agreement. This project will provide much needed pedestrian access to Lake Natoma and expand upon the recreational opportunities along Lake Natoma.

The Federal property on which the project will occur is part of the Federal lands surrounding Folsom Dam and Reservoir which State Parks manages as part of Folsom Lake State Recreation Area through a long term lease agreement with Reclamation. The original fifty-year lease agreement between the two agencies was executed on April 17, 1956. The lease agreement allows CDPR to occupy the Federal lands within the SRA for the purpose of developing, administering and maintaining the area as a State park. CDPR has developed, operates and maintains all types of recreation facilities on the Federally owned lands within the SRA including trails.

This agreement expired in April 2006. Reclamation and CDPR have been working on developing a new long term agreement for the continued operation and management of the Folsom Lake SRA. During the interim period, CDPR and Reclamation have been operating under the terms of the existing lease agreement until a new agreement is finalized and executed. Reclamation fully expects to reach agreement with CDPR on a new long term agreement for the continued administration, operation and maintenance of Folsom Lake SRA, which would include all of the recreation facilities within the SRA. This new agreement would include the Federally owned lands that are part of the Lake Natoma Aquatic and Trail Access Enhancement Project.

✓ Reclamation will need to approve site specific engineering drawings and complete the National Environmental Policy Act process prior to final approval of this or any proposed new project. We understand that this project will include beach side trails and improved access for small boats.

If you have any further questions regarding this matter, please contact Mike Petrinovich, Resources Manager, at 916-989-7276 or Laura Caballero, Environmental Specialist, at 916-989-7172.

Sincerely,

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Michael R. Finnegan
Area Manager



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Ms. Laurie Heller
Grants Administrator
Natural Resources Agency
1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1310
Sacramento, California 95814

Subject: City of Folsom's (City) Proposed Lake Natoma Waterfront & Trail Access Enhancement Project (Project), Folsom Dam and Reservoir, Central Valley Project

Dear Ms. Heller:

The Bureau of Reclamation's Central California Area Office is in receipt of the City's letter dated July 14, 2009, requesting Reclamation's approval of the subject Project. Upon initial review of the City's request and through subsequent meetings and site visits, it appears that the proposed Project is viable in concept. Final acceptance of the Project upon United States lands and waters will be determined by review of the following:

- The City's completed Standard Form SF-299, "Application for Transportation and Utility Systems and Facilities on Federal Lands";
- A Project Environmental and Engineering Report (PEER), including submission of all environmental documentation and other regulatory permits, if required;
- Review and acceptance of the City's construction plans/details by Reclamation's engineering staff; and
- Upon final acceptance, Reclamation will propose issuance of a 25-year license to the City for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Project.

If you need any additional information or have questions, please contact Kathryn Schroeder, Realty Specialist, at 916-989-7255 or Walter Clévenger, Natural Resource Specialist, 916-989-7173.

Sincerely,

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Michael R. Finnegan
Area Manager

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