



City Council Staff Report

Subject: California Natural Resources Agency - Grant Agreement

Date: October 22, 2024

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Department: City Manager's Office

Recommendation:

Adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Rocklin Accepting State General Fund Grants Funds for the Sunset Whitney Connector Bridge and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Required Documents.

Background:

As part of the 2023/24 State budget cycle, the City of Rocklin was awarded \$500,000 to build a connector bridge between Sunset Whitney Recreation Area and Johnson-Springview Park. This funding was provided in AB 102 (Budget Act of 2023) and is programmed through the California Natural Resources Agency.

The proposed pedestrian bridge will be in the northern part of Johnson-Springview Park, over Antelope Creek, providing a connection point from the park to the greater trail system associated with the Sunset Whitney Recreation Area and create a path for students to walk safely to school.

This project has been in process since the creation of the Sunset Whitney Recreation Area (SWRA). SWRA has 4.8 miles of trails and connects residents to key amenities in the City, including shopping, schools, and other parks. Currently, residents who desire to cross Antelope Creek must travel out of SWRA to the only other bridge over Antelope Creek (Farron Street). This pedestrian bridge will create a safe, reliable crossing point that is closer to the schools, and connect the two largest parks in the City.

At the August 27, 2024 City Council meeting, the City Council authorized \$1.2 million in federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding to build this connector bridge. With the ARPA funding and the state earmark, staff can continue with design and development of the connector bridge.

The attached Resolution will grant the City Manager the authority to enter into a grant agreement with the California Natural Resources Agency to provide the previously committed \$500,000 from the state to help build this bridge.

Fiscal Impact:

There is no direct fiscal impact to approve the attached Resolution. As expenditures are made for this project, those over the City Manager's signing authority will return to City Council for approval.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. [Resolution](#)
2. [Project Information Form](#)
3. [Sample Grant Agreement](#)