

## STAFF REPORT

Date: May 20, 2020  
To: TRPA Governing Board  
From: TRPA Staff  
Subject: Resolution 2020 – \_\_ approving Quagga/Zebra Mussel Infestation Prevention Grant Program Application and Funding Agreement in the amount of \$399,989.81

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Summary and Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Governing Board adopt the proposed Resolution (Attachment A) authorizing the Executive Director to enter into a funding agreement with the California Parks and Recreation, Division of Boating and Waterways under its Quagga/Zebra Mussel Infestation Prevention Grant Program.

Required Motion:

In order to adopt the proposed Resolution (Attachment A) the Board must make the following motion:

- 1) A motion to adopt the proposed Resolution (Attachment A).

In order for the motion to pass, an affirmative vote of any 8 members of the Board is required.

Project Description/Background:

The State of California initiated the Quagga/Zebra Mussel Infestation Prevention Grant Program to provide funding for prevention programs operating within the state of California. These funds are made available through additional California boat registration fees collected by the Department of Motor Vehicles in the form of a grant administered by the California Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW).

TRPA received funds through this program in:

- 2015 to help fund operations of the boat inspection station located at Alpine Meadows Ski Resort,
- 2016 to enhance boat inspection data collection, assist in developing a shared inspection station, and,
- 2017 to fund 2 years of independent assessments of the Lake Tahoe Watercraft Inspection Program.

With this 2020 grant application, TRPA is requesting \$399,989.81 towards funding for staff that oversee, coordinate, manage and operate the Meyers Watercraft Inspection Station for two boating seasons in order to protect Lake Tahoe from the introduction of invasive dreissenid mussel species.

The Meyers Station is the busiest inspection station in the Program - 2019, the Meyers Station performed almost 2700 inspections, approximately 37% of all inspections Program wide. In addition, just over 1400 decontaminations were conducted.

The major task goals of the Meyers Project will include the following:

Task 1- Inspection operations

Task 2- TRCD Project Coordination

Task 3- TRPA Project Oversight & Partner Coordination

Task 4- Complete the Final Project Report

Regional Plan Compliance:

The proposed action complies with all requirements of the TRPA Goals and Policies, Plan Area Statements, and Code of Ordinances, including all required findings in Chapter 6 of the TRPA Code of Ordinances.

Contact Information:

For questions regarding this Agenda item, please contact Tom Boos, at (775) 589-5240 or [tboos@trpa.org](mailto:tboos@trpa.org).

Attachments:

- A. Quagga/Zebra Mussel Infestation Prevention Fee Grant Program Application and Funding Agreement Resolution

Attachment A

Quagga/Zebra Mussel Infestation Prevention Fee Grant Program Application and Funding Agreement  
Resolution 2020 - \_\_

TAHOE REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY  
RESOLUTION 2020 – XX  
DRAFT

QUAGGA/ZEBRA MUSSEL INFESTATION PREVENTION FEE GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION AND  
FUNDING AGREEMENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, prior to the State of California Parks and Recreation, Division of Boating and Waterways approving Applications and executing Funding Agreements, the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Governing Board is required to pass a resolution, authorizing a designated representative(s) to execute said Applications, Funding Agreements, amendments, and certifications, designating a representative to approve claims for reimbursement, designating a representative to sign the Funding Requests and Project Status, designating a representative to sign Project Completion Certifications, and designating a representative to sign the Contractor’s Release Form; and

WHEREAS, the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency has the authority to construct, operate, and maintain the Lake Tahoe Watercraft Inspection Program; and make an application to the State of California, Department of Parks and Recreation, Division of Boating and Waterways for a grant in the amount of \$399,989.81 under the Harbors and Watercraft Revolving Fund for the Quagga and Zebra Mussel Infestation Prevention Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency desires to enhance, modify, or rebuild the Lake Tahoe Watercraft Inspection Program to implement a plan for the prevention of an infestation of the quagga and zebra mussel; and

WHEREAS, by the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency accepted application the Lake Tahoe Watercraft Inspection Program will adopt a project budget totaling \$557,754.22; and

WHEREAS, by the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency that, pursuant and subject to all of the terms and provisions of the Quagga and Zebra Mussel Infestation Prevention Grant program, application be made to the State of California, Department of Parks and Recreation, Division of Boating and Waterways for funding.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Director of said Tahoe Regional Planning Agency is hereby authorized and directed to do the following acts, including but not limited:

1. Cause the necessary data to be prepared and application to be signed and filed with DBW; and
2. Sign the DBW Quagga and Zebra Mussel Infestation Prevention Grant Agreement and any amendments thereto; and
3. Approve Claims for Reimbursement; and
4. Execute the Budget and Expenditure Summary; and
5. Sign the Contractor’s Release Form; as applicable; and
6. Certify that the project is complete, and ready for final inspection, as applicable.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE TAHOE REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY AT ITS REGULAR MEETING HELD ON THE 27<sup>th</sup> OF MAY 2020 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent:

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Bill Yeates, Chair  
Tahoe Regional Planning Agency  
Governing Board