MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM: Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Executive Officer

DATE: August 3, 2016

SUBJECT: Agenda Item XIV: Consideration of resolution authorizing the submission of a Stream Flow Enhancement Program grant application to the Wildlife Conservation Board for Proposition 1 funds.

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing the submission of the Stream Flow Enhancement Program grant application to the Wildlife Conservation Board for Proposition 1 funds.

Background: The Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) is currently seeking grant proposals for the California Stream Flow Enhancement Program. The program is funded through the Water Quality Supply, and Infrastructure Act of 2014 (Proposition 1). The deadline to submit proposals is August 31, 2016. The WCB will recommend projects for Proposition 1 funding at their regular meeting in December 2016.

The primary goals of the California Stream Flow Enhancement Program is to support anadromous fish, special status, threatened, endangered or at-risk species, and provide resilience to climate change. Funding is prioritized for projects that can achieve these goals through enhancing stream flows. Additional information about the program is attached.

Staff is working on identifying an appropriate project consistent with the goals of the California Stream Flow Enhancement Program.