

MEMORANDUM

To: Programs, Projects and Operations Subcommittee
From: Amanda Grint, Water Resources Engineer
Date: July 2, 2018
Re: Review and Recommendation on Water Sustainability Fund Grant Application for West Papillion Regional Basin 1 (WP1)

In May 2018, the Board approved the selection of Olsson Associates for professional services for the final design and permitting of WP1. Additionally, management approved a small contract with FYRA Engineering to develop a Water Sustainability Fund (WSF) application assuming Board approval of the application. FYRA has experience in preparing the WSF application and can do the application efficiently. The WP1 project, was the recipient of the Regional Conservation Partnership Program grant through the NRCS and the award for planning and construction is a maximum of \$4.4 million. The District is responsible for the local share of the WP1 project including a portion of design and all land rights. To help with the local share, it is our intention to apply for the WSF which could provide a maximum percentage of 60% of the local share.

An application requesting 60% of eligible project costs (approximately \$6,500,000) for WP1 is being prepared for submittal prior to the deadline, July 31, 2018.

Staff recommends that the subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute and submit a Water Sustainability Fund application for 60% of the eligible project costs for the WP1 project, subject to changes deemed necessary by the General Manager.