

MEMORANDUM

TO: Programs, Projects and Operations Subcommittee

FROM: Dick Sklenar, Project Manager

SUBJECT: Elkhorn River Public Access Site at Westside Road

DATE: July 12, 2006

With the recent completion of the first public access site to the Elkhorn River on West Maple Road, the District is now in its initial stages of proceeding with the development of a second site on the Elkhorn River to be located at West Dodge Road. The 6.5 acre site was previously donated to the District by G&G Manufacturing.

As before, it is recommended that the District pursue grant funds administered by the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission. Three programs do provide an opportunity for such funding and they are; the Recreational Trails Program, the Land and Water Conservation Fund and the Trails Development Assistance Fund. Two of these programs did provide financial assistance towards the development of the West Maple site.

Although there is no guarantee that the District will be successful in acquiring financial assistance from these programs again, it would be prudent that we make the request.

Therefore, it is recommended to the Subcommittee that the following resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Papio-Missouri River NRD be the applicant for federal and state aid program grants for development of the Elkhorn River Public Access Site at West Dodge Road in Douglas County, Nebraska, and furthermore:

- 1. The Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District of Nebraska is applying for federal assistance from the Recreational Trails Program, Land & Water Conservation Fund and the Trails Development Assistance Fund for the purpose of developing the Elkhorn River Public Access site at West Dodge Road in Douglas County, Nebraska.**
- 2. The Acting General Manager of the Papio-Missouri River NRD of Nebraska is authorized to sign the application for federal assistance, and any other official project documents that are necessary to obtain such assistance, including any agreements, contract or other documents that are required by the State of Nebraska, the National Park Service, or the Federal Highway Administration.**
- 3. The Papio-Missouri River NRD of Nebraska currently has the written commitment for the local matching share for the project elements that are identified on the Application form and the Supplemental Documents and will, as it becomes necessary, allocate the local funds for this project.**

- 4. The Papio-Missouri River NRD of Nebraska will commit the necessary financial resources to operate and maintain the completed project in a safe and attractive manner.**
- 5. The Papio-Missouri River NRD of Nebraska will not discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, age, religion, disability, sex or nation origin in the use of any property or facility that is acquired or developed pursuant to the project proposal, and shall comply with the terms and intent of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and any of the regulations promulgated pursuant to such Act.**
- 6. The Papio-Missouri River NRD of Nebraska will comply with all rules and regulations of the Recreational Trails Program, Land & Water Conservation Fund and Trails Development Assistance Fund, applicable Executive Orders and all state laws that govern the grant applicant during the performance of the project. The Papio-Missouri River NRD of Nebraska will replace land in the event of a conversion in use in accordance with Section 6 (f) (3) of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, as amended.**
- 7. The Papio-Missouri River NRD of Nebraska will comply with the Federal disability access and use standards where they can be reasonably applied, in accord with the American with Disability Act of 1991.**
- 8. All paperwork may be signed by the project sponsor, but the Resolution MUST be signed by the Board Chairperson.**

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