

MAILING ADDRESS:
City Hall
150 City Park Way
Brentwood, CA 94513
Phone: 925.516.5400
Fax: 925.516.5401
www.brentwoodca.gov

CITY MANAGER
150 City Park Way
Phone: 925.516.5440
Fax: 925.516.5441

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
150 City Park Way
Phone: 925.516.5405
Fax: 925.516.5407

**FINANCE AND
INFORMATION SYSTEMS**
150 City Park Way
Phone: 925.516.5460
Fax: 925.516.5401

HUMAN RESOURCES
150 City Park Way
Phone: 925.516.5191
Fax: 925.516.5446

PARKS AND RECREATION
150 City Park Way
Phone: 925.516.5444
Fax: 925.516.5445

POLICE
9100 Brentwood Boulevard
Phone: 925.634.6911
24 Hr. Dispatch: 925.809.7911
Fax: 925.809.7799

**PUBLIC WORKS
Engineering Division**
150 City Park Way
Phone: 925.516.5420
Fax: 925.516.5421

Operations Division
2201 Elkins Way
Phone: 925.516.6000
Fax: 925.516.6001

November 29, 2018

Ms. Luisa Valiela
EPA Region 9, Watersheds Office (WTR-2-2)
75 Hawthorne Street
San Francisco, CA 94105

Re: Support for American Rivers' Three Creeks Parkway Restoration Project and Application to the US Environmental Protection Agency San Francisco Bay Water Quality Improvement Fund

Dear Ms. Valiela:

The City of Brentwood would like to express our support for American Rivers' grant application to the US EPA's (Environmental Protection Agency) San Francisco Bay Water Quality Improvement Fund for the Three Creeks Parkway Restoration Project to restore floodplain and riparian habitat along more than 4,000 linear feet of Marsh Creek, expand the creek channel to provide increased flood protection, and improve water quality in Marsh Creek and the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

The City of Brentwood has been involved in the planning of the Three Creeks Project in partnership with American Rivers since 2003. The City was instrumental in designating linear parks along this reach of Marsh Creek and ensuring the linear parks and stormwater treatment areas in a 50-foot buffer along approximately 1,400 linear feet of Marsh Creek were vegetated with native vegetation. The City secured a \$1,000,000 donation from an adjacent developer in the conditions of approval to provide funding for this creek restoration project. The City is allowing the project to make modifications to one of our City parks to maximize habitat and flood risk reduction benefits as part of the Three Creeks Project. These efforts are consistent with the City's General Plan policy goals to ensure adequate storm drainage, and to protect and enhance Brentwood's ecosystem, including local creeks, riparian habitats, wetlands, and the Marsh Creek Watershed.

Marsh Creek is an important regional natural resource that flows 30 miles from the eastern slope of Mt. Diablo through the communities of Brentwood and Oakley and into the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, the water supply for over 20 million people. Marsh Creek provides habitat for numerous sensitive aquatic species including Chinook salmon, red-legged frog, and western pond turtle.

This multi-benefit project is expected to help improve water quality by restoring a floodplain that will provide shade, lower water temperatures, and moderate algae production and nutrient removal. The project proposes to improve the ecological functions of the creek by reducing flow velocities, creating wetlands, and restoring riparian habitat. The Three Creeks Parkway Restoration project site is the longest remaining stretch of undeveloped land along the creek where there is still an opportunity to widen the channel and provide a more natural creek system that is connected to the historic floodplain.

We urge you to support this worthwhile project. Feel free to contact me at 925.516.5440 or gvina@brentwoodca.gov if you have any questions or would like more information.

Sincerely,



Gustavo "Gus" Vina
City Manager
City of Brentwood

cc: City of Brentwood City Council

