

Mendocino County

Legislation Text

File #: 17-0739, Version: 1

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Supervisor Brown

Meeting Date: August 15, 2017

Department Contact: Supervisor Brown **Phone:** 463-4441

Item Type: Consent Agenda **Time Allocated for Item**: N/A

Agenda Title:

Ratification of Mendocino County's Written Comments on the Potter Valley Project Notice of Intent, Pre-Application Document and Scoping Document 1 for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)

Project Number P-77-285 (Sponsor: Supervisor Brown)

Recommended Action/Motion:

Ratify Mendocino County's written comments on the Potter Valley Project Notice of Intent, Pre-Application Document and Scoping Document 1 for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Project Number P-77-285.

Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:

On June 20, 2017 the Board of Supervisors designated Supervisor Brown as the County's representative to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Scoping Meeting and authorized Supervisor Brown to submit written and/or oral comments on behalf of the County of Mendocino. Additionally, the Board directed a future agenda item for the Board of Supervisors to discuss the Potter Valley Project relicensing procedure under the jurisdiction of FERC and the appointment of representatives to engage with the parties involved in the lengthy process.

Summary of Request:

Historically, the County of Mendocino has engaged and participated in the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) relicensing of the Potter Valley Project. The County of Mendocino along with the Counties of Humboldt, Lake and Sonoma created the Eel-Russian River Commission through a Joint Powers Agreement signed in 1978 to actively participate by discussing all elements of the process, to submit scientific information through a joint study and review other studies submitted. Most recently the County of Mendocino and the Mendocino County Water Agency filed as a party of interest for the Pre-Application Document submitted by Pacific Gas & Electric Company (PG&E) for relicensing the 9.4-megawatt (MW) Potter Valley Project (FERC No. 77).

Supervisor Brown registered with FERC online and submitted an e-filing of written comments on behalf of the County of Mendocino during the Scoping session process. She requests ratification of the written comments submitted on August 4, 2017.

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Alternative Action/Motion:

Do not ratify and provide direction to staff.

Supplemental Information Available Online at: N/A

Fiscal Impact:

Source of Funding: N/A Budgeted in Current F/Y: N/A Current F/Y Cost: N/A Annual Recurring Cost: N/A

Supervisorial District: All Vote Requirement: Majority

Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel: N/A

CEO Liaison: Janelle Rau, Deputy CEO

CEO Review: Yes **CEO Comments:**



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Executed By: Nicole French Final Status:Approved

Date: **AUGUST 16, 2017** Executed Item Number: Item Note to Department: