

**OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
STAFF REPORT**

MEETING DATE: April 18, 2016

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 3G

STAFF: Richard Wilkinson, Senior Natural Resource Specialist

REQUEST: **For Possible Action:** To recommend to the Board of Supervisors submittal of a grant application to the Nevada Division of State Lands, Question #1 grant program for watershed improvements in the Golden Eagle Lane area.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Staff submitted a funding request to the Carson Water Subconservancy District (CWSD) in January 2016 for the Golden Eagle Lane Erosion Control and Carson River Watershed Improvement project. Staff requested \$125,000 during a presentation to the Finance Committee. The Committee had multiple funding requests, which exceeded the amount of funding available; therefore the Committee was able to award just \$75,000 towards this project.

Staff has spoken with Ed James, Manager from CWSD and Charlie Donahue, Administrator for the Nevada Division of State Lands to discuss the funding shortfall. Mr. Donahue advised that the Question #1 program has approximately \$80,000 available for work along the Carson River.

Staff would like to submit a grant to the Nevada Division of State Lands Question #1 grant program for \$40,000 to help provide enough funding to complete the project.

Mr. James will contact staff following his Regional Water System Steering Committee meeting and his Board of Supervisors meeting on April 20th. He advised staff that the committee's recommendation would be to fund Carson City and the Dayton Valley Conservation District with \$40,000 each. Staff will be starting the Question #1 grant program application as soon as possible.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: I move to recommend to the Board of Supervisors submittal of a grant application to the Nevada Division of State Lands Question #1 grant program for watershed improvements in the Golden Eagle Lane area.