

Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council

MEMO: Agenda Item #7a
DATE: November 5, 2015
SUBJECT: Marsh Lake Phase II Funding
PRESENTER: LSOHC Staff

Suggested Motion:

“Move to approve the addition of \$309,000 to the previously approved Council allocation recommendation of \$1,691,000 in order to realize full funding of \$2,000,000 for the Marsh Lake Phase II proposal.”

or

No motion by the Council is a denial of full funding and the project will not be viable.

Background:

At the October 6, 2015 Council meeting, LSOHC staff provided project manager comments regarding the average member allocation in the Chair’s Proposal and whether that amount would allow their respective projects to be viable. Marsh Lake Phase II project manager Ricky Lien provided information that the \$2,000,000 funding request for Marsh Lake Phase II was fully necessary for the project to be viable:

“The request for Marsh Lake Phase II (WRE02) was \$2 million, as compared to the average member allocation of \$1,709,00. The \$2 million request, when combined with the amount of funding received in Marsh Lake Phase I a few years ago, provides the amount of non-federal match needed for the federally authorized amount to complete Marsh Lake. I contacted the project managers for this project and inquired if we could move ahead with a smaller amount. The comments were best summarized by, “...it would be difficult to cut anything else out of the project.” Partial funding of Marsh Lake Phase II would leave us short of funding to complete the project.”

The Marsh Lake Phase II information was not discussed at the October 6, 2015 Council meeting. Full funding (\$2,000,000) needs to be recommended for the project, or the current Council recommendation of \$1,691,000 will need to be re-allocated.