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Subject INRMP Comment

June 3, 2008

From: Thaleia Georgiades

To: El Dorado County Supervisors

Re: INRMP SCOPE OF WORK

CLEAR OBJECTIVES:

I believe it is crucial that the Board first identify clear objectives for the formation of the INRMP before a Scope of Work is completed or a consultant is hired. Clearly we are not getting to where we're trying to go because we have yet to identify where it is we want to end up. Exactly what do we want to protect and why? From there we can determine where and how.

The INRMP is one policy within the General Plan (7.4.2.8) but involves several other policies under Goal 7.4, (Wildlife & Vegetation Resources). More specifically, the INRMP falls under Objective 7.4.2 which calls for Identification and Protection of Resources, where feasible. As stated in the objective, our task is to identify & protect, critical habitat of fish & wildlife including deer fawning & migration routes, fish spawning areas, riparian, lake shore & wetlands, wildlife corridors & diverse wildlife habitat. Objective 7.4.2 is outlined in 9 policies that direct how to reach the objective.

I believe the policies in the General Plan were arranged in a logical order as much as possible. It seems to me that we may be getting a step ahead of ourselves by trying to do a Scope of Work for 7.4.2.8 before we establish the Technical Advisory Committee in 7.4.2.7 to formulate clear objectives to be reviewed by the PC and adopted by the BOS.

POLICIES TO MEET THE OBJECTIVE:

1. 7.4.2.1 states we'll protect critical fish & wildlife habitat, as identified on an Important

Biological Resources Map maintained in the Planning Department, as feasible given other laws & policies, and how we might accomplish that.

2. 7.4.2.2 addresses what shall be done when critical wildlife areas are identified within a development process.
3. 7.4.2.3 allows for low impact trails within river & stream buffers.
4. 7.4.2.4 establishes management guidelines within parks & natural resource protection areas.
5. 7.4.2.5 establishes setbacks from all rivers, streams & lakes which have been included in the Zoning Ordinance. *(This has been done)*
6. 7.4.2.6 calls for a County Bio-Community Protection Plan for rare, threatened & endangered species if no Federal or State plan exists for non-jurisdictional areas.
7. **Policy 7.4.2.7 calls for the formation of a TAC committee of local experts to advise the PC and BOS on plant and wildlife issues. This Committee shall formulate objectives to be reviewed by the PC and BOS. *(I believe this is the critical next step necessary to precede the INRMP)***
8. **Policy 7.4.2.8 calls for development of the INRMP. The Initial Inventory Mapping of 5 Specific Habitats** identified in the Policy has been accomplished with known data and gives us a starting point. This is a living document that will evolve over time.
9. **Policy 7.4.2.9 calls for Important Biological Corridor (IBC) Overlays that identify the locations of high value wildlife habitat and protection measures to apply within those areas.**

I believe staff has made a good faith effort to revise the SAIC information per your request but falls short of your goal to do the work within a budget. I believe we need to take a short step back, form the local stakeholder group, and establish these objectives:

1. A clear, reasonably & attainable set of objectives that;
2. Clearly identify what species and habitats we are trying to protect;
3. The extent to which we willing and able to identify and protect them, and;
4. A cost versus benefit analysis as to how much we can afford to spend on this effort at this time.

From there I believe we can send out a new Request for Proposals with a more focused Scope of Work and hopefully get a better result.

I hope you find this summary helpful.

Respectfully submitted by,
Thaleia Georgiades