

EL DORADO COUNTY

Fish & Game Commission

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April 17, 2007

El Dorado County Board of Supervisors 330 Fair Lane Placerville, CA 95667

RE: Establishment of a separate fund for donations made in support of the Sawmill Pond Stocking project

Agenda Date:

Dear Board Members:

Recommendation:

The Fish & Game commission recommending the Board approve the establishment of a separate fund for the deposit and disbursement of donations made in support of the Sawmill Pond Stocking Project, and authorize the Chairman to sign a budget transfer establishing a budget of \$2,000.00 for the fund for Fiscal Year 2006-07.

Reason for Recommendation:

Sawmill Pond, located on Lake Tahoe Boulevard, approximately 2 miles west of the "Y", gives children ages 14 years and under a free and convenient opportunity to learn the joy of fishing. An annual Kids Fishing Derby, held in early June, has become a huge success for the community. Thousands of residents and visitors participate in this special event with catch-able fish ranging in size from a half pound to trophy fish that can weigh up to 5 pounds.

Because a lot of the vacation literature and information about vacations in South lake Tahoe list Sawmill Pond as a place to take kids fishing, the commission is committed to expanding the fish stocking program and insuring the pond has fish for visiting kids to catch. The goal is to maintain a population of catchable fish is Sawmill from early May thru Labor Day.

The commission, working with the office of District V Supervisor Norma Santiago, is developing a program to solicit donations, primarily from the South Lake Tahoe business community supporting this project. Donations will be used for fish stocking and maintenance of Sawmill Pond.

Based on discussions with the Auditors Office, a separate fund will need to be established to collect and disburse the donations.

Fiscal Impact:

None

Action to be Taken Following Approval:

The commission will work with the Administration and the Auditor to establish the fund and policies that insure compliance with County Fiscal Procedures.

Karl Weiland, Chairman

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