



## Legislation Text

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Chief Administrative Office, Parks Division, has submitted a request to the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board to rescind the Cleanup and Abatement Order issued for the Rubicon Trail on April 23, 2009. Parks Division recommending the Board consider the following:

- 1) Receive and file a presentation that will be presented to the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, on October 10, 2014; and
- 2) Adopt Resolution **165-2014** reaffirming the County's continued commitment to the future health and wellbeing of the Rubicon Trail. (Est. Time: 30 Min.)

### **Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost**

Funding for maintenance comes from State grants, SMUD funds and OHV In-Lieu Special Revenue Funds. There are no changes to the Net County Cost for FY 2014-15 associated with this item. From 2001 to present, the County has expended over \$7.7 million on the Rubicon Trail using various grants and funding sources.

### **Background**

El Dorado County (County) and the United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Eldorado National Forest was issued a Cleanup and Abatement Order (Order) on April 23, 2009 from the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board on the Rubicon Trail. The County, various agencies, stakeholders, property owners and interested parties have worked collaboratively to solve the many challenging issues on the Rubicon Trail that were included in the Order. Order requirements have been completed, with the attached staff report outlining the requirements and accomplishments.

The County has invested a lot of time and resources to protect the Rubicon Trail, and has been used as an example throughout the state as to how you manage a trail correctly. With the help of State Parks Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Division and the Federal Highway Bridge Program, the County has invested over \$7.7 million into the Rubicon Trail since 2001.

### **Reason for Recommendation**

Staff recommends that the Board adopt the attached resolution to reaffirm the continued commitment to protecting the health and welfare of the Rubicon Trail. This commitment would address some concerns of the stakeholders that the County will continue to maintain the Rubicon Trail. This resolution will be presented at the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board on October 10, 2014.

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