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MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jim Steele, Supervisor, District 3

DATE: September 19, 2017

SUBJECT: Discussion and Board Direction Regarding Congressman Jared Huffman's Potter Valley Ad Hoc Committee

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

I request the Board take up the following item for discussion and consideration.

As the Board is aware the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission is required to take up the relicensing of the Potter Valley Project which includes Lake Pillsbury in Lake County District 3. In addition to this action is a separate Ad Hoc Committee that is running on a separate track and time frame.

This second series of meetings are for gathering information by Congressman Huffman from stakeholder representatives from all power and water users of the Potter Valley Project. The recently revealed purpose of Congressman's Ad Hoc Committee regards the potential for partial or full dam removal in the system. This of course, could include the removal of the dam at Lake Pillsbury. Congressman Huffman does not represent Lake County at the Federal Level and apparently is responding to members of his District.

This item now will also be discussed by the Eel/Russian River Commission of which I am also a member. As a result, we will have a chance to comment at Congressman Huffman's Committee, The Eel/Russian River Commission and during the FERC Relicensing Process. I recommend we also send advanced comments directly to Lake County Congressmen John Garamendi whose District includes Lake Pillsbury and Mike Thompson who also represents Lake County.

FISCAL IMPACT: ☒ None ☐ Budgeted ☐ Non-Budgeted

Estimated Cost:

Amount Budgeted:

Additional Requested:

Annual Cost (if planned for future years):

FISCAL IMPACT (Narrative): None

STAFFING IMPACT (if applicable): None

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Discussion only.