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Consideration of Amendment to Term of Ecosystem Restoration and Climate Adaptation Grant Program Agreement for Lower San Joaquin Riparian Corridor Project Staff Report

Grantee	American Rivers
Project ID	P1-1808
Award Year	2019
County	San Joaquin
Category	Planning
Original Award Amount	\$522,027
Request	Term Extension

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board approves an extension to the grant funding term of one year for additional time to complete project deliverables.

DESCRIPTION

The Grantee requests a one-year extension of the grant's funding end date from November 30, 2023 to November 30, 2024 to accommodate the completion of project deliverables. The extension will allow additional time for project planning and design. These tasks were delayed while the Grantee reconciled guidance from the Army Corps of Engineers, the landowner, and the Reclamation District for maintenance of the project along the levee. Furthermore, additional time is needed to complete deliverables, including outreach with interested parties and permitting, given the delays with planning.

The Grantee indicated that if the Conservancy is unable to extend the funding term, they will be unable to complete all project deliverables by the current end date. This would put the planning phase of this project at risk and could delay future implementation.

BACKGROUND

Lower San Joaquin Riparian Corridor (Project ID P1-1808) is a planning project designed to restore approximately 2.5 miles along and within the San Joaquin River to provide habitat for native fish and wildlife. This project was awarded \$522,027 of Proposition 1 funds in 2019. This is the Grantee's first amendment request requiring Board consideration.

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