

RESOLUTION 2025-21

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORTUNA APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD FOR THE MILL CREEK HABITAT CONNECTIVITY PROJECT

WHEREAS, funds were made available to the Wildlife Conservation Board for the enhancement or restoration of fish and wildlife habitat and for the development of public access facilities for hunting, fishing or other wildlife-oriented recreational uses;

WHEREAS, The City of Fortuna intends to enhance fish passage and habitat quality along a 4,850-foot stretch of Mill Creek by replacing five outdated and undersized road-stream crossings—at Weber Street, Rohnerville Road, a private drive, Mill Street, and Mountain View Road—with new, fish-friendly culverts and structures. These upgrades are designed to support year-round passage for salmonids (including coho and chinook salmon, steelhead, and cutthroat trout) and other aquatic species like lamprey and frogs, while also improving flood resilience and infrastructure longevity. The project follows ecological design principles, incorporates native revegetation, and includes post-construction monitoring to assess long-term success.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Fortuna hereby:

1. Approves the filing of an application for funding from the Wildlife Conservation Board; and
2. Certifies that said Applicant will comply with all federal, state and local environmental, public health, and other appropriate laws and regulations applicable to the project and will obtain or will ensure that the other project partners obtain all appropriate permits applicable to the project; and
3. Further commits to the terms and conditions specified in the grant agreement; and
4. Appoints the Public Works Director as a representative(s) of the City of Fortuna to conduct negotiations, execute, submit and sign all documents including but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, payment requests, and other documents which may be necessary for the completion of the proposed project.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 21st day of July 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution Number 2025-21 was adopted by the City Council of the City of Fortuna.

ATTEST:

Mike Johnson, Mayor

Siana L. Emmons, City Clerk