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Community Grant Award Modification Request

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Section A: Award Information

Project Name: **Urban Gray Fox Corridor Project**

Applicant (Legal Name of Organization): **Urban Wildlife Research Project**

Modification Requested (for example, change in project; change in scope of services, change in term of the agreement; change in budget): This is an alteration in the original collaring project.

Justification for Request: In the original request for the Collaring Project, we assumed that we could pull together anywhere from between 12 and 15 young gray foxes, collar them, then track them when they dispersed. This would pinpoint those areas of the Baylands and possibly beyond where and into what kind of territory those foxes dispersed. By so doing, we would have had a good idea as to where to restore or develop linkages between varied habitats in the Baylands. Our intent was to create a network of corridors that would improve the health of all wildlife along the San Francisco Bay.

However, given the massive die-out in November and December of 2016 of all 25 gray foxes living between Adobe Creek and San Francisquito Creek due to canine distemper, and the fact that not enough new fox pairs took up residence in the Baylands, we could not produce the necessary 12 – 15 gray fox pups needed for the Collaring Project.

As such, we have moved ahead to develop a new restoration project that will link existing habitat and create new habitat for not only the gray foxes but all wildlife living and thriving along the edge of the San Francisco Bay presently between the Facebook Campus and Moffett Field. In that light, we are working with the City of Mountain View on their **Wildlife Management Plan** and with **Facebook** to establish a viable corridor along the San Francisco Bay.

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Section B: Project Description

Are you requesting a modification of your project description or scope of services? If yes, please answer the following questions. If no, skip to Section C.

1. Describe the proposed project, including goals, proposed methods and implementation strategies, and list measurable outcomes. **See attached. Urban Gray Fox Corridor Project Proposal** - Patrick Ryan; Bill Leikam; David Johns, June 13, 2022
2. Is this project a portion of a larger project? If so, please include a description of the larger project and how this component fits into it. NO
3. Will this grant be used to leverage funding for another grant or funding request? If yes, please explain. NO
4. Are there other organizations and/or partners participating in the project? If yes, please describe their role and level of participation.

*We will be working with the City of Mountain View's biologists Phil Higgins and Ryan Phillips. Guiding us along the way will be the **Shoreline Wildlife Management Plan (SWMP)** as we in the UWRP have been identified as a critical stakeholder in this restoration project. The SWMP is a work in progress.*

5. What is the need, problem, and/or opportunity to be addressed? Who else is addressing it? See the **Urban Gray Fox Corridor Project Proposal**
6. How will the project provide a natural resource conservation benefit to the District and/or its constituents? *This project will lay the groundwork for a far more extensive project reaching as far along the San Francisco Bay as Alviso.*
7. Which Area(s) of Strategic Focus in GCRCD's Long Range Plan will be served by this project?
8. How will the project help the District meet its goals for the indicated Areas of Strategic Focus?
9. What are the anticipated challenges to the successful completion of the project?
See the Urban Gray Fox Corridor Project Proposal
10. How will this project provide opportunities for meaningful involvement by the public, including members of disadvantaged communities within the Grantee's project and service areas?

Volunteers will be recruited to help with the restoration of identified habitat. We plan on reaching out to the City of East Palo Alto through Juan Estrada at Green Foothills.

11. Does this project have a component to address impacts from climate change? If so, please describe.

By adding habitat and linkages between what are presently islands of habitat, such action will afford all wildlife cool places to live.

12. How will the project be sustained after the grant has concluded? Will the results provide a basis for additional projects or programs?

As noted, this is but the first leg of a restoration project that will enhance biodiversity throughout the Baylands region.

13. How will project results be made available to the public?

Results will be made available to anyone who asks. We also plan on posting the results on social media and in a peer reviewed article.

14. Add or attach any supplemental information you believe is important for the reviewers and/or approving authority to be aware of in assessing your application.

For data on sea level rise in Mountain View and in the Palo Alto Baylands Nature Preserve as a function of the melting of Thwaites Glacier in Antarctica see:

<https://coast.noaa.gov/slr/#/layer/slr/2/-13593549.643007016/4499911.99878992/14/satellite/none/0.8/2050/interHigh/midAccretion>

and the **Urban Gray Fox Corridor Project Proposal attached.**

Section C: Project Budget

Are you requesting modification of your budget? If yes, please use the following table to provide the revised budget. If no, skip to Section D. (Please refer to original application for guidelines on budget

Line-Item Description	Grant Funding	Matching Funds *	Project Totals
Personnel Costs (list position/hours/hourly wage):			0
Operating Costs (list general categories):	\$5,000.00	\$34,350.00	\$39,350.00
<i>Wildlife Tracking Equipment and Supplies</i>			
Personnel and Operating Expenses Subtotal:	\$5,000.00	\$34,350.00	\$39,350.00
Indirect Costs (list percentage)			0
Contractual Costs: (list firm name, if known)			0
Total	\$5,000.00	\$34,350.00	\$39,350.00

Section D: Project Deliverables and Due Dates

Are you requesting modification of your project deliverables and/or due dates? If yes, please complete the following task table. If no, skip to Section E.

Task #	Task Description	Task Deliverables	Estimated Completion Dates
1	Work in concert with Mountain View Wildlife Project to restore habitat	UWRP will provide consulting on the corridor areas and the vegetation foxes need to remain viable in the Baylands	No end date in the near future. 2025-2026 may be reasonable but the Mountain View Planners lead the project and we are not decision-makers on timing.
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Section E: Term of Agreement

Are you requesting modification of the term of your grant agreement? If yes, please list the requested dates. If no, skip to Section F: _____

Section F: Application Signature

I certify that the information contained within this modification request is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and that I am authorized to sign on behalf of the grant recipient.

Submitted via email on behalf of Bill Leikam

 Authorized Signature

President, Board of Directors
Print Name/Title

03/01/22
Date
