Good afternoon all,

Please see responses below in blue to questions submitted regarding tonight's agenda items. I will also have copies on the dais.

Director Harris

74597 What is the VP Consultant?

VP is shorthand for the Docent and Volunteer Program Structure. This particular item refers to meals purchased for docents and volunteers who participated in the focus groups for the VP Study.

74717 What is the Wildlife Corridor Working Group?

The Wildlife Corridor Working Group (WCWG) is a diverse coalition of over 30 open space districts, conservancies, land trusts, and other non-profit organizations across the state dedicated to enhancing wildlife corridors in California. The coalition was borne out of efforts to pass AB 2087 (Levine), which authorized the Department of Fish & Wildlife to oversee the creation of Regional Conservation Investment Strategies (RCIS), which advances the conservation of locally prioritized protected species. Since then, the WCWG has been working to develop policy that would enable new funding sources, lowering regulatory barriers, and enabling better coordination between permitting agencies to improve wildlife linkages across California.

Currently, AB 1630 (Bloom) is a product of this statewide collaboration, along with funding commitments included in the recent transportation bill, SB 1 (Beall).

Midpen, along with the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority, have provided funds to the consultants of the WCWG to continue efforts into the first 5 months of the legislative session. More fundraising by the WCWG will need to occur to allow the group to function through the second half of the session. Being members of the group we may assist, but it is not our primary responsibility.

74712 Where/When is the Legislative Luncheon this year? Hopefully a Friday when electeds are in town/

The Legislative Luncheon will be held on Friday, June 9th at Picchetti Winery from 11:30am-1:00pm. Invitations will be sent out late-April.

Director Kishimoto

Item 1 Minutes: possible to add my comment that my quick preliminary calculation using 8000 gallons/day for privately owned horses would come to \$2000/month (which is why I asked for separate metering)?

Revised minutes will be provided at tonight's meeting.



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