County of Sonoma
Agenda Item
Summary Report

Clerk of the Board
575 Administration Drive
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

To: Board of Supervisors

Board Agenda Date: April 14, 2015
Vote Requirement: Majority

Department or Agency Name(s): Permit & Resource Management

Staff Name and Phone Number: Brett Williams 565-2296
Supervisory District(s): 5th

Title: The Sea Ranch Wastewater Disposal Charges

Recommended Actions:
Approve resolution setting on-site wastewater disposal charges for CSA #41 Sea Ranch-Zone 2 on the tax roll for FY 2015-16, FY 2016-17, FY 2017-18.

Executive Summary:

County Service Area #41 was formed in 1986 to inspect, monitor, maintain, and operate current or potential on-site disposal of wastewater (primarily septic systems) in the unsewered area of the Sea Ranch Zone. The fee allows for the continuation of providing services to property in compliance with federal, state, and local requirements.

The fee is calculated by dividing the total annual costs of providing service by the total number of parcels in the Sea Ranch Zone. The charge for this service is included each year in the property tax bill for property owners.

In April 2009 the fee was set at $215 with a proposal to rise the following two fiscal years by $15 & $10 each. In response to adequate funds available, in April 2011 the fee was reduced to $195 per parcel. It has now been determined that the fee should remain at $195 per parcel for each FY 2015-2016, FY 2016-2017, and FY 2017-18.

In order to satisfy the requirements of Proposition 218, prior to levying an assessment to extend the on-site disposal charges through FY 2018, the County provided 45 days mailed notice to each record parcel holder of the proposed assessment and advised of the time, date and place for the hearing on the proposed assessments. The purpose of the hearing and the recommended action is to consider adoption of the Resolution setting on-site wastewater disposal charges so that the Sea Ranch Zone can continue to recover the costs of the on-site disposal wastewater system.
### Prior Board Actions:

- April 2011: Resolution setting fee at $195.00 per parcel
- April 2009: Resolution setting fee at $215.00 – $240.00 per parcel

### Strategic Plan Alignment

Goal 2: Economic and Environmental Stewardship

### Fiscal Summary - FY 14-15

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**Total Sources**: **$ 0**

**Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts (If Required):**

Rate is recommended without changes. Fiscal Years 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18 budgeted revenues will remain at the same level as FY 2014-15.

### Staffing Impacts

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**Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):**

n/a

### Attachments:

Draft Resolution setting fees

### Related Items “On File” with the Clerk of the Board:

The Sea Ranch proposed budget describing the total annual expense in detail

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