

Public Hearing: September 18, 2006

F A C T S H E E T

TITLE: Resolution to approve a Cooperative Agreement between NDEQ and the City of Lincoln regarding Holmes Lake Watershed Pollution Reduction.

SPONSOR: Public Works and Utilities

OPPONENTS: Unknown

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: For

OTHER DEPARTMENTS AFFECTED:

APPLICANT: Public Works and Utilities

REASON FOR LEGISLATION:

To provide the authority to approve the Cooperative Agreement between the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality (NDEQ) and the City of Lincoln regarding the Implementation of the Section 319 Project entitled "Holmes Lake Watershed Pollution Reduction."

D I S C U S S I O N

This is a resolution to approve a cooperative agreement with NDEQ for Section 319 grant funding to reduce adverse water quality impacts to Holmes Lake by 1) completing a demonstration project to stabilize a 1,000-foot reach of degrading stream channel upstream of Holmes Lake, 2) performing a stream stability analysis of other upstream drainageways to guide future projects, 3) establishing a voluntary no/low phosphorus fertilizer program, 4) developing a Rain Garden NebGuide, 5) reimbursement based upon a letter of agreement for costs associated with Waterfest on June 10, 2006, and 6) to provide short-term monitoring program for this project. This project is being completed in cooperation with other public/private agencies including funding from NDEQ for \$254,680, Lower Platte South NRD (\$60,000), UNL, Holmes Lake Advisory Council, local home owner associations (\$12,348, mostly in-kind match), along with city costs of \$97,439. The City's funding for this BMP demonstration project was approved as part of the 2005 stormwater bond issue.

POLICY OR PROGRAM CHANGE: No

COST OF TOTAL PROJECT: \$424,467.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

CITY: \$97,439.

NON CITY: \$327,028.

BENEFIT COST:

FACT SHEET PREPARED BY:

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REVIEWED BY:

Director of Public Works/Utilities