

- i. Level of staff effort required (opportunity cost)
 - Major Moderate Minor
- ii. Amount of funding above current budget required \$ 300,000
 - Will seek budget supplement Will seek grant funding
- iii. Explanation of Cost:

Staff does not have the specific skills required in the areas of natural habitat preservation and restoration to conduct this type of study. A consultant would be utilized and the cost is significant given that each site mentioned in the study issue is unique. Habitat restoration work is complex and typically requires detailed studies of the potential affects on wildlife. Acquiring and preserving real property would require appraisals, title research, and potentially hazardous material investigations to establish cost and feasibility.

b. Costs to Implement Study Results

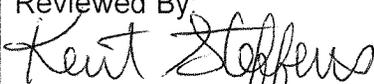
- No cost to implement.
- Unknown. Study would include assessment of potential costs.
- Some cost to implement. Explanation:

3. **Expected participation in the process**

- Council-approved work plan
- Council Study Session
- Board/Commission Review by Parks & Recreation Commission

4. **Staff Recommendation**

- a. Position: Drop.
- b. Explanation: The study issue as presently defined is too broad making it cost prohibitive. Several elements of the proposed study are already underway including the Stevens Creek Trail feasibility study and planning for trail improvements along the East and West channels. Completing these efforts may result in a more focused and meaningful study in the future.

Reviewed By:  Department Director	Approved By:  City Manager
10-1-13 Date	10-23-13 Date