

Buncombe County Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: 10/20/2020

Consent Agenda

Department: Presenter(s):

Budget Jennifer Barnette, Budget Director

Contact(s): Jennifer Harrison, Agriculture and Land Resources

Anthony Dowdle, Soil Conservationist

Jennifer Barnette, Budget

Subject: Hominy Creek Project - Center for Creative Living

Brief Summary:

The Divison of Water Resources of the NC Department of Environmental Quality has awarded Buncombe County with \$84,000 for the Hominy Creek Project.

This project will stabilize eroding areas along the stream, which will improve water quality. Riparian plantings will provide additional benefits to water temperature, and wildlife. This project will have direct benefits to water quality. It is located about within 2 miles of the confluence with the French Broad and the Hominy Creek Park. This area of the French Broad has several inputs for rafts, and other watercraft and is used heavily for float trips, etc. Water quality is a very prominent issue in the area and needs to be improved. People from across the area utilize the river for recreation.

Recommended Motion & Requested Actions:

Accept grant and approve budget amendment

County Manager's Comments & Recommendation:

County Manager recommends as presented