

STAFF REPORT

DATE: December 5, 2023

TO: Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Jesse Cain, City Manager

AGENDA ITEM:

Consideration of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Colusa approving a 20-year operating agreement with California State Parks

Recommendation: The Council approve the Proposed Resolution

BACKGROUND ANALYSIS:

In 2011, the City Council negotiated and entered into an operating agreement with California State Parks for the operation and maintenance of the Colusa Sacramento River State recreation area. Our State Park was the first State Park on the Closure list due to State budgeting at that time. The Council believed that the closure would have had an economic impact on the City of Colusa.

In 2016/2017, the City of Colusa received a grant from the Department of Boating and Waterways to construct a new boat launch facility. The boat launch facility completed construction in 2019. In the grant agreement, the City must enter into a 20-year operating agreement with California State Parks. The biggest change in this agreement is the new trail system that we have been working on with the Colusa Schools. In this agreement, if the trails are managed and taken care of for three years then State Parks will start the process to add them in the park trails program. Once the trails are in the system it makes it very difficult to remove them - this is a good thing as we would like to be able to keep the access.

BUDGET IMPACT:

Unknown

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Resolution 23-20-year agreement