



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Consider Approving Memorandum of Understanding for San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan

MEETING DATE: September, 7, 1994

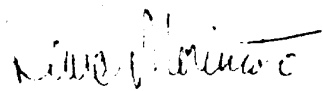
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RECOMMENDED ACTION That the City Council authorize the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding for the San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat and Open Space Plan

BACKGROUND INFORMATION As San Joaquin County continues to grow in population, there is increased pressure on the habitat of various plants and wildlife. There is also a recognition of the need to provide for the protection, management, enhancement and continued existence of the County's diverse natural resources. With this purpose in mind, the local jurisdictions in San Joaquin County as well as various State and Federal agencies, have formed a coalition to attempt to deal with the problem in a coordinated manner. This group, known as the Habitat Policy Advisory Committee, is attempting to develop a county-wide habitat conservation and open space plan.

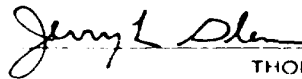
The MOU does not commit the City of Lodi to adopt or otherwise implement the habitat conservation plan, but only to participate in the process of preparing the plan. Once the MOU has been signed by all agencies, the Committee will proceed with the selection of a consultant and the preparation of the Habitat Conservation Plan. The plan will be brought before the City Council for its review and adoption when it has been drafted.

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