

CHABOT-LAS POSITAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

June 26, 2012

Agenda Item: 5.10

Subject: Approval of Grazing Lease Agreement for Excess Land – 7M Cattle Company

Background: The District owns 400 acres of real property land in the City of Livermore for the purpose of preserving and restoring the grassland, blue oak woodlands and other natural ecological features found there. A portion of the property is being managed according to a Habitat Mitigation and Management Plan (HMMP) approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services. The land is open with grass and the District would incur the cost of plowing the open grass to reduce the fire danger to Las Positas College. According to HMMP, managed grazing is beneficial to the use of the Property by listed species. The District has negotiated with 7M Cattle Company of Livermore to lease such portion of the Property for pulsed cattle grazing within certain fenced areas when grazing is determined to be necessary in accordance with the HMMP. The term of the lease is for two years beginning July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2014 for a fee of \$6,600 for the first year and for a 10% increase the following year 2013-2014 at \$7,260.

Recommended Action: That the Board of Trustees approves the Grazing Lease Agreement for the use of District land for grazing purposes to 7M Cattle Company of Livermore, California. The term of the Lease is for two years beginning July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2014 at a fee of \$6,600 for the first year 2012-2013 and for a 10% increase the following year 2013-14 at \$7,260. It is further recommended that the Board authorize the Vice Chancellor, Business Services, to execute the lease on behalf of the District.

Submitted: Lorenzo Legaspi/Date

Approved: Susan A. Cota /Date

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