



Buncombe County Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: 4/2/2019

Consent Agenda

Department: Soil Conservation Presenter(s): Jennifer Barnette, Budget Director

Contact(s): Gary Higgins, Soil & Water Conservation Director

Subject: George A. (Tony) Nesbitt Preservation Pass-Through Budget Amendment

Brief Summary:

At the November 18, 2014 Board of Commissioners meeting, the Board approved a Conservation Easement on land owned by Tony Nesbitt. At the December 1, 2014 Board of Commissioners meeting, the Board approved a budget amendment of \$35,000 for transaction costs related to the easement. The land appraisal process took a considerable amount of time, resulting in postponing the closing date.

Buncombe County Soil & Water Conservation will be receiving pass-through funding from the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for the partial purchase of the land for the Tony Nesbitt Preservation totaling \$72,000. This budget amendment establishes additional revenue budget (allowing the county to record the check from the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services as a revenue) and expenditure budget in order to pass the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services funds to the landowner for the easement. This is no additional cost to the county.

Recommended Motion & Requested Action:

Buncombe County Soil & Water Conservation and Budget Office recommend approving this budget amendment for \$72,000.

County Manager's comments and Recommendation:

Manager recommends approval.