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Hello Scott,

I am Daniel Powers, President of the Russian River Fly Fishers Board of Directors. Mike Spurlock, a board member, is helping plan needed repairs to the Galvin Park Casting Pond over the next two to three years, and we would appreciate your assistance.

The pond liner has a 20-year life and may need replacement between 2028 and 2030, when it reaches 20 to 22 years of service. A rough estimate for a new liner installation is $40,000. We currently have $27,153 reserved, which is invested at 4% with Redwood Credit Union. This year, we increased member dues by 20% to build our resources. Additional funds are still needed.

One helpful asset would be the $8,262 that the City of Santa Rosa holds from the funds the club raised for the original pond project. The city has held these funds for future needs since 1986. We would like to receive this money now so we can invest it in a 4% certificate. This would significantly increase the amount available for liner replacement.

Thank you for the help you have provided. If you have any questions, we would be happy to answer them.

Thank you,

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Below is historical information Mike Spurlock provided about this project. You may reach Mike at 415-599-6138 or by email at mikerrff@gmail.com.

Background details:

- In March 1982, the City Council approved the pond project. The Russian River Fly Fishers agreed to raise the funds and build and operate the pond. The city would own it.

- On November 22, 1982, Santa Rosa City Trust Fund 0880-2182, the Casting Pool Fund, was created.

- The club ultimately raised $70,000 to build the pond.

- In May 1986, the pond opened and was dedicated. The liner was rated for 20 years.

- By 2008, the original liner was replaced with a new 20-year liner. The old liner had been in service for 22 years and had needed several years of temporary repairs.

- In 2026, an inspection showed that the liner installed in 2008 was still performing well after 18 years. We have begun planning to raise the funds needed to replace it when necessary. We expect replacement may be needed between 2028 and 2030.

- We will evaluate the liner each spring when we drain and clean the pond.