MEMORANDUM

Date: July 22, 2016

To: The Honorable Chair and Members  
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry  
County Administrator

Re: Regional Flood Control District Flood Protection Program Contract and Award

Devastating flooding in 2006 caused significant damage and erosion to the Pantano Wash from Speedway Boulevard to Tanque Verde Road. Repair of these damages have been conducted in phases since the initial flood event. The probability of flooding and incurring additional damage each year is approximately the same as the previous year; hence, the need to make appropriate flood protection and restoration improvements.

The Regional Flood Control District (RFCD) and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) performed temporary bank stabilization in December 2006. Phase I of the permanent stabilization project was completed in November 2010, and Phase II was completed in February 2013.

The County recently conducted a competitive bid process for the final phase of the improvements, known as the Pantano Wash Bank Protection and River Park, Phase III, Tanque Verde Road to Fort Lowell Park improvements. Eight companies bid on the project, and the Engineer’s estimate was $6,131,326. The lowest bid was with Borderland Construction at $5,512,980.01. The contract award for this project will be on the August 2, 2016 Board of Supervisors Agenda.

This continues the RFCD’s history of making major improvements to our regional drainage system to prevent future flood damages.

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c: John Bernal, Deputy County Administrator for Public Works  
Nanette Slusser, Assistant County Administrator for Public Works Policy  
Suzanne Shields, Director, Regional Flood Control District