MEMORANDUM

Date: May 8, 2014

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

From: C.H. Huckelberry
      County Administrator

Re: Arroyo Chico Flood Benefits

The Regional Flood Control District (RFCD) is in the final stages of achieving a significant amendment to the flood insurance rate maps for Pima County that will remove from the regulatory floodplain a significant number of properties located within the City of Tucson. Such will reduce the flood insurance rates for property owners in the affected areas.

In comparing the attached existing and proposed floodplain maps, it is clear there have been substantial floodplain area reductions through the constructed phased improvements of the Arroyo Chico project. This is the second in a series of three flood insurance rate map amendments that will be accomplished based on this RFCD project. The third and final floodplain map amendments will occur when the High School Wash improvements are completed.

By comparing the two maps, you will see significant areas of green and blue that represent flooding along Arroyo Chico and the proposed floodplain maps, now under final review by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The flooding that remains is confined to public drainageways or detention basins that were constructed as a result of the Arroyo Chico project.

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Attachment

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