

Application of Criteria for Pima County Bond Project Proposals

Directions: The Pima County Bond Advisory Committee adopted criteria for project inclusion. For each resubmitted and new bond project proposal, please answer how the project meets the criteria below. If certain criteria do not apply to the project, please answer not applicable. The total response for each project should be no longer than two pages in Arial size 11 font. Please do not submit exhibits or attachments. The completed form should be e-mailed to Deseret.Romero@pima.gov on or before July 15, 2013.

Project Name: Lower Santa Cruz Levee Extension (FC9)

1. **Broad Demonstrated Support by Public:** There is broad regional support for flood control projects that provide protection from damages caused by riverine, sheet, alluvial fan, and local area flooding. Support for the Lower Santa Cruz Levee Extension and other critical flood control projects has been expressed by all of the incorporated jurisdictions in Pima County through passage of the Pima County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan of 2012 and various actions of the Pima County Flood Control District.
2. **Has Regional Public Benefit:** Pima County has been part of 13 federal disaster declarations for flooding, with three of those declarations occurring in the past five years, all of which have included flooding along the lower Santa Cruz River. In addition, at least 68 other non-declared events of reported flooding incidents have occurred in the last five years including flooding along established watercourses when the bankfull capacity of a watercourse is exceeded by storm runoff or snowmelt and the overbank areas become inundated. This project will reduce the potential from loss of life and property, continue the levee system within Pima County, address local flooding, and support a regional watercourse that provides critical drainage for the entire metropolitan area.
3. **Partnerships:** Partners for this project will include the Town of Marana, Corp of Engineers, Pima County Office of Emergency Management, and the Pima County Flood Control District.
4. **Other Funding Sources or Matches:** The project will require land owner and developer contributions.
5. **Education and Workforce Training:** N/A
6. **Advances Board Adopted Principles of Sustainability and Conservation:** This project will remove 50 residential dwellings from the Santa Cruz River Floodplain along with approximately three (3) square miles of agricultural land reducing environmental damage and erosion along the waterway.
7. **Previously Authorized Large-scale Bond Projects or Programs that are Now Short of Funding:** This section has not had any prior funding authorizations, but is an extension of the previously funded bank protection.
8. **Phasing of Large Projects:** This project is an extension of the existing Santa Cruz River bank protection.
9. **Impact on Operating and Maintenance Costs for Governments and Commitment to Fund These Ongoing Costs:** As with other local flood control and mitigation projects, the

management, maintenance, and operations will be under the control of the Pima County Flood Control District. The Town does not have a maintenance comparable to provide annual cost.

10. Project or Program is a Capital Improvement, Not a Repair or Maintenance Project. This project is a new capital improvement.