

MINUTES
FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE/PUBLIC REVIEW
August 19, 2020

Committee Members Present: Galo Galovale, Chris Langham, James MacAdam, Mark Murphy, Gus Myers, Chris Rod, Kieran Sikdar, John Spiker, John Wallace, Ann Youberg

Flood Control District Staff Present: Eric Shepp, Deputy Director; Tammy Jorde, Special Staff Assistant; Brian Jones, Division Manager; Evan Canfield, Division Manager; Greg Sax, Environmental Planning Manager; Joseph Cuffari, Program Coordinator

Others Present: None

The meeting was held via a Teams Meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The committee approved the February 19, 2020 minutes.

QUERY TO THE AUDIENCE

N/A

NEW BUSINESS

Bighorn Fire Update

Eric Shepp stated that the District has started evaluating the impacts from the fire on the watershed conditions and the floodplains. The District has also engaged the NRCS for Watershed Protection Assistance. You can view the Post Bighorn Fire Flood Preparedness Plan Report [here](#).

In addition, the District is working with US Army Corps of Engineers on long-term planning; the Corps has the modeling for future regulatory mapping.

The District has been working with the Town of Oro Valley on outreach to residents.

Ann Youberg stated that she will be doing a study on the areas of the fire that burned hot. Currently waiting to for the data and permits from the US Forest Service.

North Ranch Watershed Study

Evan Canfield reviewed the North Ranch Watershed Study with the committee (attached).

CIP FY 2020/21

Eric Shepp reviewed the CIP list with the committee (attached). On August 18, 2020, the Board of Supervisors approved the Tax Levy Rate.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

Regulatory Updates – State and Federal

Eric Shepp stated that all jurisdictions received the Proposed MS4 DRAFT Permit, which is different than the current permit. Attached is Pima County's response.

Report from Committee Members

John Spiker thanked the District for all of their help with the Bighorn Fire outreach. He also stated that when the Drainageway Manual is completed he will make a presentation to the committee in October.

James MacAdam stated that there is a Green Streets Program that the City of Tucson has identified, but is not ready to be implemented.

Eric Shepp stated that he is working with the City of Tucson and Tucson Water to improve flow in the Brawley Wash and restore flows back to farms for vegetation and incidental recharge.

REPORT FROM FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT STAFF

BOS Action Summary

✓ **August 17, 2020**

The Ashton Company, Inc., Contractors and Engineers; Borderland Construction Company, Inc.; Hunter Contracting Co.; KE&G Construction, Inc. and Rummel Construction, Inc., Amendment No. 5, to provide for a Job Order Master Agreement for Flood Control and Drainage Improvement Services and amend contractual language, Various Funds, contract amount \$5,000,000.00 (MA-PO-18-98) Regional Flood Control District. Approved.

U.S. Department of Agriculture, to provide for the Brawley Wash Watershed Plan, \$590,000.00/2 year term (GTAW 21-1) JE Fuller / Hydrology and Geomorphology, Inc., to provide for Brawley and Black Wash detailed risk analysis and mapping, FEMA Grant Fund, contract amount \$599,885.00/2 year term (CT-FC-21-117). Approved.

✓ **September 1, 2020**

JE Fuller / Hydrology and Geomorphology, Inc., to provide for Brawley and Black Wash detailed risk analysis and mapping, FEMA Grant Fund, contract amount \$599,885.00/2 year term (CT-FC-21-117). Approved.

Regional Flood Control District Projects and Programs Update

Brian Jones stated that the District is updating the Technical Policy for riparian habitat to provide guidance and clarity not a new policy.

Greg Saxe stated that in April the Board of Supervisors approved the Pima County Floodplain Management Plan 2020.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

No business.

AGENDA ITEMS – September 16, 2020 MEETING

1. In-Lieu Fee Program Update
2. Waters of the State – Chris Langham

The meeting adjourned at 9:44 a.m.