

Pima County Flood Control District Brawley Wash Watershed Plan Environmental Assessment

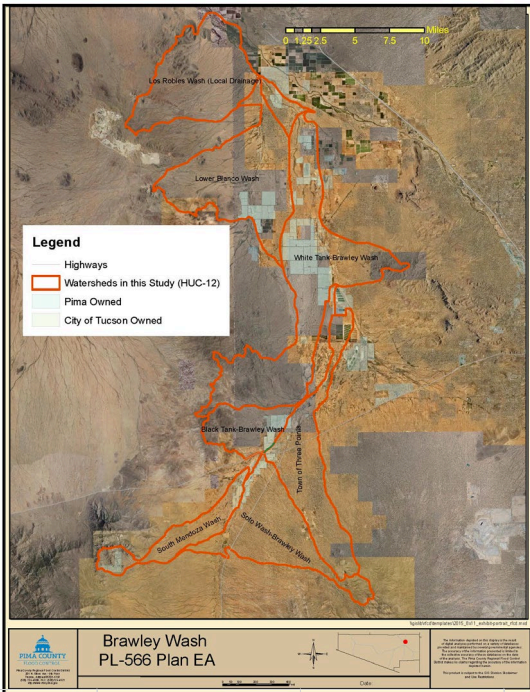


Overview:

The Pima County Regional Flood Control District is working with the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), and other entities, to develop a watershed plan / environmental assessment (Plan/EA) within the Brawley Wash. The purpose of the Plan/EA is to investigate and analyze alternatives that address flood reduction and erosion mitigation while preventing significant environment impacts. The Plan/EA will be conducted under the NRCS Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Program (PL 83-566) and will be guided by the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) which mandate a strong environment resource focus. The study is the first step in creating a long-term plan for addressing flooding resource concerns within Brawley Wash.

Upon completion of the Plan/EA, a preferred alternative is selected (this may include a No Action Alternative). The selected alternative must demonstrate a favorable cost/ benefit ratio and have no significant environmental impacts. Once the Plan/EA is approved, a Finding of No Significant Environmental Impact (FONSI) will be issued.

After a FONSI is issued, the Pima County Flood Control District can determine the next steps for design and construction. Both Design and Construction Projects can be financially supported with Federal, State and/or Local Funds.



- Environmental Resources to Be Evaluated
- Flooding
 - Erosion/Sedimentation
 - Endangered and Invasive Species
 - Agricultural Productivity
 - Wildlife
 - Cultural Resources
 - Water Resources
 - Other Potential Resources

Anticipated Project Schedule:

	Current Phase			
	December 2020 - March 2021	March - July 2021	July - December 2021	December 2021 - August 2022
Data Collection				
Stakeholder Meeting #1				
Public Meeting #1				
Environmental Resource Studies				
Determine Constraints from Two Dimensional Flow Modeling				
Detailed mapping of Water Control Features				
Alternatives Formulation				
Preferred Alternatives Selections				
Preliminary Watershed Plan EA Development				
Stakeholder Meeting #2				
Public Meeting #2				
Draft Watershed Plan EA Development				
Stakeholder Meeting #3				
A finding of No Significant Impact for Recommended Alternatives				

More Information

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