

**San Luis Obispo County  
Flood Control and Water Conservation District**

Flood Control Zone 1/1A Advisory Committee Meeting

**Meeting Date: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 -- 3:00 to 5:00 pm**

**Meeting Location: Sheriff's South Patrol Station, 1681 Front Street Oceano, CA**

*The purpose of the Committee is to provide recommendations to the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control District regarding appropriate actions to provide flood protection for the properties within the boundaries of Flood Control Zones 1 and 1A.*

- Excerpt from Bylaws endorsed by Steering Committee, June 2001

**MINUTES**

<b>1)</b>	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>  Members in attendance: Vicki Cardoza, Stan Ikeda, John Carter, Gregg Cobb, Charlie Lackie, Dianna Lackie,  Other in attendance: Nola Engelskirger, County Public Works; Karen White, OCSD; Cynthia Replogle, OCSD; Sgt. Nichols, Sheriff
<b>2)</b>	<b>Public Comment – None</b>
<b>3)</b>	<b>Announcements – None</b>
<b>4)</b>	<b>Review and Approval of Past Minutes</b>  Member Vicki Cardoza made motion, Member Stan Ikeda seconded, and the September and November Minutes were approved unanimously.
<b>5)</b>	<b>Storm Response &amp; Channel Maintenance</b>  County Staff Nola Engelskirger provided the following update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Previous to rains, a contractor was hired to collect and remove trash that was accumulated on levee tops and access points. Approximately 8,000 pounds of trash were removed and disposed; total contractor cost was \$5,000.</li><li>• Flap gates are operating properly and checked frequently to ensure vegetation/sediments have not built up to prevent proper operation.</li><li>• Temporary Levee Protection was installed in early December and is expected to remain on the south levee until April. Public Works will continue to monitor and maintain the levee protection measures.</li><li>• Annual training for Public Works patrol staff to implement the Emergency Response Plan was conducted in early December.</li><li>• The Arroyo Grande Creek Flooding and Evacuation Safety Information brochure was mailed to Oceano residents and businesses in December. Extra copies are available at the OCSD office.</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• During the January 5/6 storm which produced 1-2 inches of rain over the watershed, resulted in creek levels above the low flow channel but did not exceed the trigger for initiating emergency response actions. Post storm conditions were checked on Monday, January 7 and about a dozen down trees were identified for removal.</li> <li>• We've been monitoring conditions over these last storms, and the channel has been performing well. We found 12 more trees down; these were moved out of the channel on Monday. One tree that fell was blocking the Delta Street flap gate; this tree was remove and upon inspection of the flap gate, we found blankets inside of the pipe. The pipe has since been cleared and DSS and Sheriff have been notified of the encampments in the area to assist homeless as needed.</li> <li>• Sgt. Nichols from the Sheriff Department reported that they are continuing with efforts to keep transients moving out of the channel areas to maintain public safety and protect public health. Sheriff is considering a sweep and cleanout of channel areas in April and would like to coordinate their efforts with Public Works and State Parks.</li> </ul>
6)	<p><b>Budget Status and Proposed Budget Request for 19/20</b></p> <p>County Staff Nola Engelskirger described the summary of expenses and proposed budget request for next fiscal year (attached handouts).</p>
7)	<p><b>Waterway Management Program Alt 3a/Mod 3c</b></p> <p>County Staff Nola Engelskirger provided the following project update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cannon and Waterways are actively working on the final design plans; they held a meeting with the County to list and work out issues, design criteria, and design decisions so they can move forward with preparing construction plans and specifications. Many of the decisions needed are to find alternative construction methods to save on cost and time.</li> <li>• One design issue is the need for more stockpile areas on the south side of the channel for the sediment removal activities. The design team will be working on alternative construction methods to manage the sediment removed, including conveyance/crossings for moving sediment from one side of the channel to the other in a cost effective manner.</li> <li>• We expect to obtain the remaining environmental permits from RWQCB, CA Dept of Fish and Wildlife, and CA Coastal Commission in the next 6 months.</li> <li>• Staff will be reaching out to property owners in the next few months to start discussions about needed construction easements and permanent easements.</li> <li>• On December 11, the District accepted FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant in the amount of \$3M and has executed related grant documents.</li> <li>• So far, previously awarded grant funds are expected to stay with the project through completion. Prop 84 and Prop 1 will need to be re-appropriated, which is an internal process through DWR.</li> </ul>
8)	<p><b>Meadow Creek Watershed Lagoon Restoration Plan</b></p> <p>County Staff Nola Engelskirger provided the following project update:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Prop 1/Prop68 - CDFW Grant Application in the amount of \$959,500 to fund the Meadow Creek Lagoon Watershed Restoration Plan was submitted on December 20. This grant could provide funding for planning needed on the AG Creek and Meadow Creek Lagoon Restoration project that is required to meet conditions associated with the Army Corp permit for the WMP project. We received letters of support for the project from South San Luis Obispo County Sanitation District, Oceano CSD, Central Coast Salmon Enhancement and the Coastal San Luis Resource Conservation District. CDFW expects to announce awards in April -- Grant amount requested is \$959,500 with a cost share of \$116,000 (10%).</li> <li>• This will involve restoring the AG Creek Lagoon / Meadow Creek Lagoon system to provide approximately 8 acres of restored habitat that will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Restore historic connectivity between Meadow Creek Lagoon and Arroyo Grande Creek Lagoon;</li> <li>○ Increase habitat for growth and survival of migrating smolts/juvenile steelhead;</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Member Gregg Cobb made comments that the project should consider restoring a larger area of Meadow Creek Lagoon, upstream from AG Creek to Lakeside Bridge would be beneficial.</li> </ul>
9)	<b>Open Forum / Suggestions for next agenda – None</b>
10)	<p><b>Confirm schedule for meetings in 2019</b></p> <p>County Staff Nola Engelskirger suggested that we set all the meeting dates for 2019. Meetings will be held bimonthly, on the third Tuesday of odd number months, at 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm. These are the scheduled dates:</p> <p><i>January 15, March 19, May 21, July 16, September 17, and November 19</i></p> <p>The Committee confirmed the 2019 meeting dates.</p>
11)	<b>Adjourned 4:45 pm.</b>

***Submitted by: Nola Engelskirger, County Staff***

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Also, for historic information before 2010 go to <http://www.coastalrcd.org/zone1-1a/>