San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District

Flood Control Zone 1/1A Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: Tuesday July 20th, 2021 -- 3:00 to 5:00 pm

Meeting Location: This meeting was held online via GoToMeeing webinar link. Participants joined by telephone or online. Unfortunately, physical attendance by the public was not able to be accommodated given the current circumstances and the need to ensure the health and safety of staff and the public.

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

1)	Welcome and Introductions
	Members in attendance; Gary Kobara, and Dianna Lackie, Charlie Lackie was in for a moment.
	Others in attendance: Nathan Claud (Public Works), Mike Silva (public), Will Clemens (Public)
2)	Public Comment –
	Dianna asked how progress was coming with the vegetation maintenance permits
	Nathan responded that Kristen (County environmental) is working hard on them and has submitted the drafts to the waterboard. The water board has 30 days to respond with amendments or approval.
	Dianna asked if there was any news regarding the airport runway widening and if drainage has been addressed.
	Nathan answered that he has not heard any news and will follow up with Nola to answer her question.
3)	Announcements – Will Clemens announced that the board of supervisors has approved the low reservoir response plan and it will be enacted for Lopez lake. Impacts will be lower allocation for downstream releases impacting agricultural users. If the storage capacity reaches 15k acre feet which will likely happen in the coming month then water allocations to municipal users could be reduced.
4)	Review and Approval of Past Minutes
	The May 2021 minutes were distributed a quorum was not present to approve.
	The March 2021 minutes have not been approved either.
5)	Channel Maintenance

County Staff Nathan Claud provided the following update:

- Charley Lackie asked if a plan is to be put in place to spray invasives with herbicide. Nathan answered that is our intent and pending approval by the water boards we could start those activities as soon as fall maintenance begins. Nathan verified that landowners will be notified before that activity takes place.
- Levy top mowing has been completed.
- Goats are in the Los Berros diversion and will be moved to the AG creek downstream of highway1 and upstream of the railroad around the 16th of August.
- Vegetation maintenance including hedging and in stream trimming will begin September 1st.
- Flap gate maintenance will start September 1st.

AG Creek WMP Project Alt 3A and Mod. 3C Projects

County Staff Nola Engelskirger was unavailable due to illness. Nathan Claud read her notes to the group.

The WMP project is completely done and into the ongoing monitoring and maintenance phase.

- Final project closeout documents and grant reimbursement request for \$2.2M has been submitted to DWR for the Prop 84 IRWM Implementation Grant. The grant funding match of 25% was covered by other projects in the grant proposal like the Los Osos Water Recycling Facility. The Prop 84 grant was fully utilized and all \$2.2M of awarded funds were submitted for reimbursement.
- Final project closeout documents and the final reimbursement request for the Prop 1E Stormwater Management Grant are being prepared. This grant award is for a total of \$2.8M and the grant term ends on September 28, 2021.
- Final project closeout documents and the final reimbursement request for the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program are being prepared. This grant award is for a total of \$3.0M and the grant term ends on August 1, 2021.
- At the next meeting, we can report on the total reimbursement requested and received through these grant programs.

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7) Meadow Creek Watershed Lagoon Restoration Plan

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- Stillwater Sciences completed the first phase of work which involved data collection and summary of data gaps. Next steps include meeting with the Science Panel, establishing criteria for model development and alternatives development.
- Looks like in January/February we may be able to have a workshop to discuss potential alternatives for the lagoon restoration work.
- The District is still aiming to have a preferred project for restoration in November of 2022.

8) Open Forum (Questions / Suggestions for next agenda)

Gary Kobara Suggested that we reach out to some of the committee members that have been absent and see if we can facilitate their attendance. Nathan said that he would do that.

Next meeting Sept, 20th 2021.

9) Adjourned 3:30 pm.

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Control Zones, Zone 1/1A

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