



MINUTES

PLACER COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS Monday, June 13, 2016

The Board of Directors for the Placer County Flood Control and Water Conservation District met in session beginning at 4:00 P.M., Monday, June 13, 2016, in the Rocklin City Council Chambers, 3970 Rocklin Road, Rocklin, California. Brian Keating, District Manager, Brad Brewer, Development Coordinator, Ken Grehm, Executive Director and Brett Holt, District Counsel, represented the District.

1. **ROLL CALL:**

By roll call, Directors present: Yorde, Morillas, Berlant, Roccucci, Joiner and Janda
Directors Not Present: Weygandt, Duran

2. **AGENDA APPROVAL:**

Motion made to approve the agenda for June 13, 2016.

MOTION: Roccucci/Yorde

APPROVED: Unanimous

3. **APPROVAL OF APRIL 11, 2016 MINUTES:**

Motion made to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2016 meeting.

MOTION: Roccucci/Berlant

APPROVED: Unanimous

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

5. **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION:**

a. **Public outreach and appeal period begins with release of new FEMA Digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps (DFIRMs) for Placer County**

Brad Brewer updated the Board on the public release of the FEMA DFIRMs and CTP project studies. He referred to the latest DFIRM schedule and reported that some of the milestones have already been reached, including release of the DFIRM and FIS on December 28, 2015 and publication of the proposed Flood Hazards Determinations in the Federal Register on April 27, 2016. On May 23, 2016 Placer County issued a public press release including proposed public outreach meeting dates. There were also local media stories regarding the FEMA mapping studies. FEMA published proposed Flood Hazards Determinations in local newspapers on both June 3rd and June 10, 2016. The 90 day public appeal period began on June 10, 2016 and the appeal period ends on September 8, 2016. The public outreach meetings are scheduled as follows:

- June 16, 5-7 pm Maidu Community Center, 1550 Maidu Dr, Roseville
- June 22, 5:30-7:30 pm Auburn City Hall, Rose Room, 1225 Lincoln Way, Auburn

- June 23, 5:30-7:30 pm Squaw Valley Public Service District, 305 Squaw Valley Rd, Olympic Valley
- June 29, 5-7 pm Rocklin Event Center, 2650 Sunset Blvd, Rocklin

At each of these meetings, staff from the District, local agencies and FEMA will be present to help answer questions and concerns raised by the public,

Brad reviewed the DFIRM adoption process as generally outlined below:

- Publication within the Federal Register
- 90-Day Public Appeal Period
- Resolve Appeals/Finalize Map
- Letter of Final Determination
- Date of Effective DFIRM: Effective date is expected to be June 2017.

Brad also provided an update on the District's future CTP 3 mapping efforts. FEMA Region 9 has approved the District's application for funding for up to \$500,000 which becomes available in September 2016 and would be used for detailed studies of another 50 miles of County creeks. These include Coon Creek, Markham Ravine, South Branch of Pleasant Grove Creek, the main stem of Dry Creek, Linda Creek as well as Blackwood Creek, Vista Creek and Griff Creek located in Lake Tahoe. The District will be tasked with providing hydrologic and hydraulic studies to assist with production of the new mapping.

Director Ken Yorde asked if the new mapping included 200-year events and if not whether funding was available from the State to do so? Brad confirmed that FEMA studies address the 100 year-event only as the 200-year is a State promulgation. Brian Keating added that the State has no plans to fund the 200 year mapping. Ken Grehm stated that future development projects would be required to develop the 200 year mapping during the development review stage. Director Roccucci asked if in staff's opinion the new FEMA mapping looked okay? Brad stated that the maps overall looked good and that discrepancies would be handled through the formal appeal process. Director Janda asked if all the effected property owners were notified directly? Brad confirmed that all effected property owners were notified with letters sent in the mail.

6. **ACTION ITEM:**

- Update on progress with the Antelope Creek Flood Control Project and request for and authorization to execute a Reimbursement Agreement with the City of Roseville in amount of \$47,765 related to monitoring and modification of existing closure plans associated with adjacent City owned closed landfills.**

Brian Keating updated the Board on the status of the Antelope Creek Flood Control Project, stating it remains at a 100% level of planning and design completion as last reported, with final permitting not yet complete. The District recently obtained Tree and Flood encroachment permits from the City of Roseville. The Central Valley Flood Protection board reviewed the City's flood encroachment permit and agreed they have no comments. Brian reported that the 404 permit from the United States Corps of Engineers (Corps) is the remaining outstanding permit. Progress with this permit application is occurring, we anticipate receiving the related Biological Opinion in late June from National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). Once received and approved, the Corps will issue the Letter of Permission (LOP) approximately 2-3 weeks later. Once the 404 permit is received we will have all necessary permits required to move forward with construction.

Brian stated that progress has also been made on land acquisitions with the City of Roseville having recently finalized the purchase of five flowage easements. We are about to record the deeds that are associated with those five easements.

Brian reported that the need for today's consideration of a Reimbursement Agreement with the City of Roseville, is to address concerns from the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Board regarding potential impacts from our project to the adjacent City closed landfills. With the project being adjacent to the landfill, it is necessary that the City's landfill consultant perform landfill monitoring measures during project construction and modify the existing landfill closure plan. The scope of these consultant services and a cost proposal has been finalized through negotiations with the City and their consultant, CH2MHill. The City requires the District reimburse them for these consultant costs estimated to be \$47,765. The costs estimated are considered fair and reasonable and will be paid through funds within the Dry Creek Trust Fund and have been budgeted for within the FY 2016/17 final proposed budget.

Therefore, staff recommends the Board by motion, authorize execution of a Reimbursement Agreement with the City of Roseville in an amount of \$47,765 related to monitoring and modification of existing closure plans associated with adjacent City owned closed landfills.

MOTION: Janda/Yorde

APPROVED: Unanimous

b. **Authorize the Executive Director to execute a Professional Services Agreement with the recommended firm for consultant services required to complete CEQA requirements for a long term, routine maintenance agreement with the Department of Fish and Wildlife.**

Brian stated that staff is continuing to pursue a 12-year long Routine Maintenance Agreement (RMA) with the Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) in order to continue the County's stream channel maintenance program within the unincorporated areas of the County. This agreement allows the District for to work with the California Conservation Corps (CCC) on behalf of the County within portions of the Dry Creek and Cross Canal watersheds. Brian stated that back in January 2016, the Board approved a \$25,000 amount to complete the Biological Assessment (BA) portion of the required CEQA analysis associated with this RMA. At that time it was anticipated that Placer County Planning staff would assist with all other CEQA filing requirements, other than the BA. However, Brian reported that County staff is no longer available or fully qualified to perform the CEQA analysis and filing services.

Following approved professional services procurement policies, staff identified Sycamore Environmental Consultants, Inc. as the top ranked firm to perform the CEQA services. Staff have now negotiated the scope and total cost for these services. Total costs of Sycamore's proposal are \$40,009 and staff feels these costs are appropriate and reasonable. These costs are wholly reimbursable to the District from the Placer County CSA 28 Zone 22 fund and have been appropriately included within the final District budget for FY 2016/17.

Director Ken Yorde asked that since we will be doing work now in the Cross Canal, would we have any additional liability risks. Brian stated that a lot of this work is done on private property, having obtained rights of entry in advance. Ken Grehm stated that liability and risks during work are always a concern, although these are minimal given the nature of the work being vegetation maintenance.

Director Greg Janda wanted to confirm that the \$40,009 cost includes the \$25,000 that was approved in January, Brian confirmed that it does.

Therefore, staff recommends the Board by motion, authorize the Executive Director to execute a Professional Services Agreement with the recommended firm for consultant services required to complete CEQA requirements for a long term, routine maintenance agreement with DFW.

MOTION: Janda/Joiner
APPROVED: Unanimous

c. **Presentation and approval of the Final 2016/17 District Budget.**

Ken Grehm presented the proposed final FY 2016/17 Budget to the Board, The budget includes total expenses of \$733,200 and revenues of the same amount, \$733,200. Ken explained that there are only two changes to budget revenue since the draft budget was presented in April. One is additional money coming from the County CSA 28 Fund to complete the County's stream channel maintenance program, the second is a use of \$34,100 from District reserves. Ken explained that changes in expenses going from draft to final include a \$15,600 computer related software hosting expense associated with our Alert Flood Warning system. We are also adding one additional Alert system gauge installation as recommended and approved by the TAC. Also, the stream maintenance program costs have increased as we pursue the long term RMA with DFW. He noted that with County population growth being small last year, not much change in revenue will occur next year from our member agency contributions and the per capita fee is again being kept unchanged. It was also reported that there are no projected increases to the Dry Creek Watershed O&M costs as compared to last year.

Regarding the status of District reserves, Ken stated that we are budgeting \$34,000 this year for to complete recommended Alert Flood Warning System upgrades. He presented information showing that our reserves have been growing over the last five years and are projected to be over \$300,000 by year end. The Board previously established a policy to maintain a reserve balance of 25% of annual operating expenses or approximately \$150,000 in a typical year.

Staff therefore requests Board approved by motion the FY 2016/17 budget as final.

MOTION: Berlant/Roccucci
APPROVED: Unanimous

7. **NEXT MEETING** The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is on July 11, 2016 at 4:00 pm at the Rocklin City Council Chambers.

9. **ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned by the Chair, Director Morillas at 4:32 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Tracie Coyle
District Secretary