



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

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Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Santa Barbara, CA 93101
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Department Name: Flood Control
Department No.: 054
For Agenda Of: 6/21/11
Placement: Departmental
Estimated Tme: 20 minutes
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Directors, Flood Control and Water Conservation District

FROM: Department Scott D. McGolpin, Public Works Director, 568-3010
Director(s)
Contact Info: Thomas D. Fayram, Deputy Public Works Director, 568-3436

SUBJECT: Annual Maintenance Plan, Fiscal Year 2011/12 - All Supervisorial Districts

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form: No

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Directors:

- a. Approve the individual CEQA exempt projects and direct the Clerk of the Board to file the attached CEQA Notice of Exemption for each of the projects described in Section 2 of the Fiscal Year 2011/12 Annual Maintenance Plan (POST);
- b. Certify that the addenda to Program EIR (01-EIR-01) contained within Sections 3 and 4 of the Fiscal Year 2011/12 Annual Maintenance Plan have been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and adopt the mitigation measures included for each project as the Mitigation and Monitoring Plan;
- c. Certify that the Board has reviewed and considered the information contained in the Final Program EIR and individual addenda contained within the Fiscal Year 2011/12 Annual Maintenance Plan as well as information presented during the public hearing prior to the approval of the individual projects presented in Sections 3 and 4 of the Fiscal Year 2011/12 Annual Plan; and
- d. Adopt CEQA Findings and Statement of Overriding Considerations included in Section 6 of the Fiscal Year 2011/12 Annual Maintenance Plan;
- e. Approve individual projects described in Sections 3 and 4 of the Fiscal Year 2011/12 Annual Plan.

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Summary Text:

The Annual Maintenance Plan summary listing (Attachment No. 2) consists of CEQA exempt projects (EXEMPT), and projects defined within the scope of impacts identified by the Program EIR requiring addenda (PEIR) for FY 2011/12.

The CEQA exempt projects are described in Section 2 of the Annual Plan and are based on CEQA Section 15301 (b) "Maintenance of existing facilities" or Section 15061 (b)(3) "No significant effect on the environment". Projects that are exempt fall into one of the following five categories:

- Removal of rubbish or other unnatural material from riparian corridors or estuaries.
- Maintenance activities in existing non-perennial, fully concrete-lined stream channels
- Clearing, repair, and replacement of such flood control devices such as check structures, drop structures, levees, sediment basins, weirs, or stream flow measuring stations
- Maintenance activities on access ways outside of estuaries and riparian corridors
- Maintenance activities on earthen channels, which have been developed to convey urban storm water, agriculture storm water, or agriculture tail water and have little or no vegetation in them.

All in areas where there is no impact to any significant resource at the site, down-stream, or adjacent to the site.

The described fiscal year 2011/12 exempt projects have been exempted in prior years with Planning and Development Department concurrence.

Projects within the scope of the Program EIR are described in Sections 3 and 4 of the Annual Plan. Each of the 33 projects is presented as an addendum to the Program EIR, utilizing appropriate maintenance practices described and analyzed in the Program EIR. The mitigation measures incorporated in each of these projects become the mitigation and monitoring program to ensure that impacts are mitigated to the fullest extent feasible.

Once the Board has approved projects described in Sections 2-4 of the Annual Maintenance Plan, applications can be made to the appropriate regulatory agencies for environmental permits or approvals.

Background:

In December 2001, the Board of Directors adopted a revised Routine Creek Maintenance Program which included: a) Maintenance Practices and Mitigation Measures; b) associated Flood Control Policy Statements; and c) an annual planning and project approval process (identified on Attachment No.1).

Generation of the annual maintenance plans provides multiple benefits. The plan serves as a basis for demonstrating need, analyzing alternatives, proposing mitigation and selecting the most effective and least environmentally damaging District maintenance practices. The plan also allows the District to prioritize maintenance efforts and expenditures early on, which also helps in the management of individual projects.

The annual planning process, as adopted by the Board, requires that the District conduct public workshops to hear public/agency input and concerns about the proposed Annual Plan. The District

provided notice of workshops in the "Santa Maria Times" and the "Santa Barbara Daily Sound" for the workshops on May 17, 2011 in Santa Maria and May 18, 2011 in Santa Barbara.

A summary of the proposed Annual Plan projects was available at the workshops and copies had been mailed to individuals and organizations in the community who had previously expressed an interest. There was one attendee at the Santa Barbara workshop who was interested in the history of Mission Creek but had no questions regarding the Annual Plan projects. The District will post the Final Annual Plan on the County website .

Mandates have been discussed in previous Board letters regarding the Revised Creek Maintenance Program. The District's authority under State Law allows the District to undertake these projects for the public's benefit. Several projects constructed in cooperation with the Federal Governments have mandated levels of maintenance associated with them. The District's projects are subject to compliance with environmental laws and regulations.

Performance Measure:

The Annual Plan allows the District to achieve the KPIs relating to maintenance of flood control facilities.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
FC Funds (all zones)	\$3,566,115		
State			
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 3,566,115.00	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative:

The costs for this annual maintenance plan are in the 2011/12 Proposed Budget under the Maintenance cost center (in each of the ten flood zones) of the Water Resources Division of the Public Works Department.

As in past years, costs of maintenance projects exceed available funding in many North County Flood Zones. For example, in the Bradley Zone, funding is habitually below the costs associated with the work needs in that area. Those channels that are most in need of work will be addressed as funding allow. Maintenance of facilities is not a mandated activity, except for engineered or improved facilities including most federally funded projects that are now owned and maintained by the Flood Control District.

Generation of the FY 2010/11 Annual Plan, as with each prior Annual Plan, provides a significant cost savings to the District through a single package of projects. Producing individual environmental documentation for each maintenance project is significantly more expensive. However, the greatest benefit derived from the Annual Plan is measured by the District's ability to streamline the state and

federal environmental permit process, which in turn allows the District to provide needed maintenance prior to the next storm season.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

FTEs:

Special Instructions:

Direct the Clerk of the Board to post the attached CEQA Notice of Exemption and to send a copy of the minute order of these actions to the Flood Control District, Attn: Christina Lopez.

Attachments:

CEQA Notice of Exemption

Attachments Nos. 1 & 2

2011/12 Annual Maintenance Plan

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Attachment 1

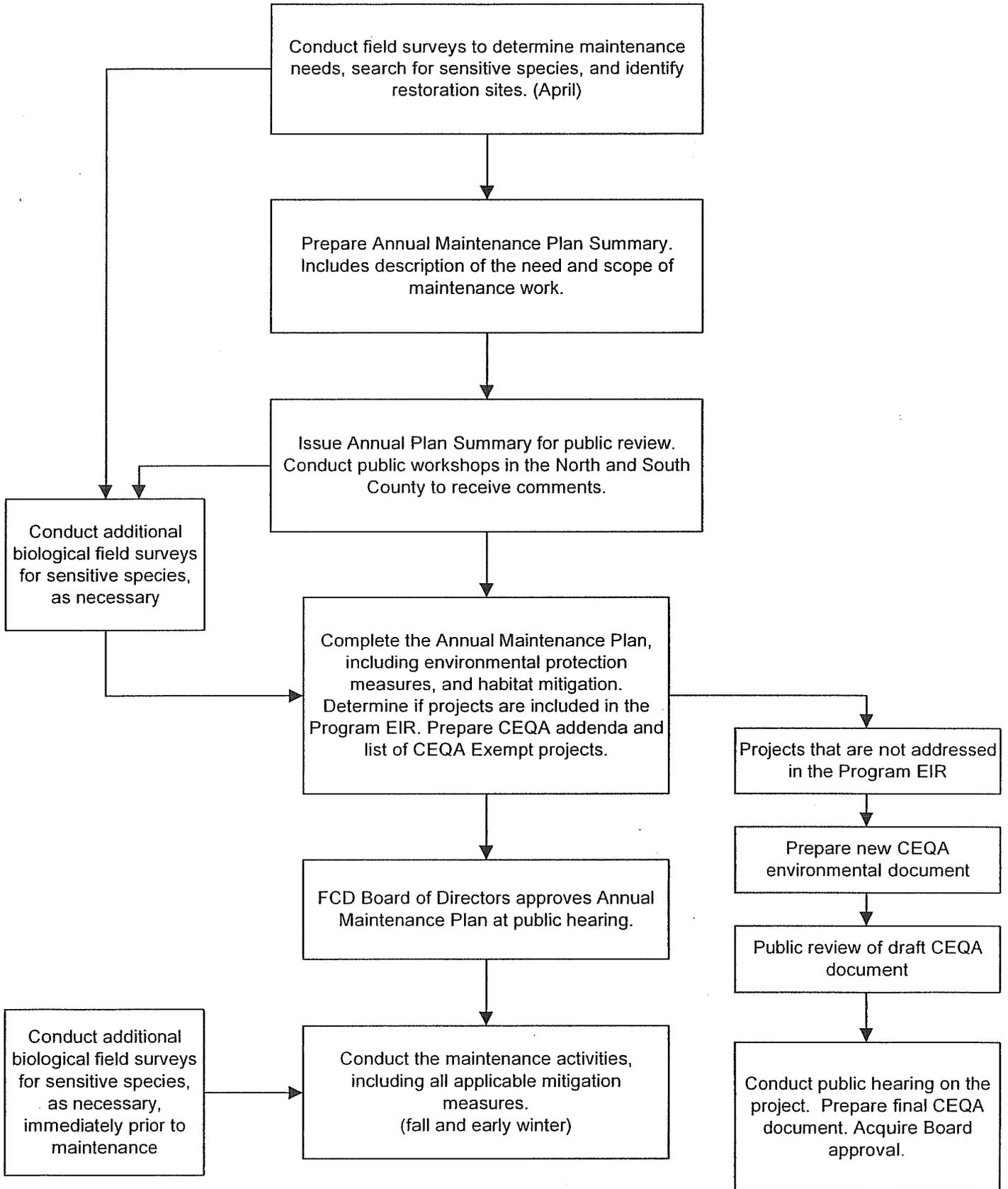


Chart 1. Annual Maintenance Program Process

Attachment 2

SUMMARY ANNUAL MAINTENANCE PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012

FACILITY TYPES INCLUDE CREEKS, EARTHEN AND CONCRETE CHANNELS (CHANNEL C OR E), CHECK STRUCTURES, RIVERS, AND BASINS

MAINTENANCE NEEDS INCLUDE; BRUSHING-BR, SPRAYING-SP, SHAPING (INCLUDES BANK REPAIR)-SH, DESILTING-DS, CHECK STRUCTURE-CS, SPILLWAY/OUTLET/INLET/CONCRETE STRUCTURE REPAIR-SR,

SOUTH COAST

FACILITY NAME	FACILITY TYPE	MAINTENANCE NEED	ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS
ARROYO PAREDON	CREEK	DS, BR, SP	PEIR
ATASCADERO	CHANNEL C	SP	EXEMPT
BARGER	CREEK	BR	PEIR
CANADA DE LA PILA	CREEK	DS, BR	PEIR
CIENEGUITAS	CREEK	BR, SP, CS	PEIR
DERBIANO DRAIN	CHANNEL C	BR	EXEMPT
EL ENCANTO	CHANNEL C	SP	EXEMPT
ENCINO DRAIN	CHANNEL C	SP	EXEMPT
FRANCISCAN BASIN	BASIN	DS, SP	EXEMPT
FRANKLIN	CHANNEL C	BR, DS	EXEMPT
HIGH SCHOOL DRAIN	CHANNEL C	SP	EXEMPT
HOSPITAL	CHANNEL C BASIN	BR BR, DS	EXEMPT EXEMPT
LAGUNITAS	CREEK	BR, SP	PEIR
LAS POSITAS	CREEK CHANNEL C	BR SP	PEIR EXEMPT
LOS CARNEROS	CHANNEL C	SP	EXEMPT
LOWER DEVEREUX	CREEK	BR	PEIR
MARIA YGNACIO	CREEK	BR, SP	PEIR
MISSION	CHANNEL C	BR	EXEMPT
PACE PARK DRAIN	CHANNEL C	SP	EXEMPT

DIAZ DITCH	CHANNEL E	SP	EXEMPT
DUTRA DITCH	CHANNEL E BASIN	SP SP	EXEMPT
LAKE MARIE DITCH	CHANNEL E	BR, SP	EXEMPT
TEXACO DITCH	CHANNEL E	SP	EXEMPT

GUADALUPE

FACILITY NAME	FACILITY TYPE	MAINTENANCE NEED	ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS
CORRALITOS	CREEK	DS, SH	PEIR
NORTH GREEN CYN	CHANNEL E	BR, SP, DS	PEIR
MIDDLE GREEN CYN	CHANNEL E	SP, DS	PEIR

ORCUTT

FACILITY NAME	FACILITY TYPE	MAINTENANCE NEED	ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS
"A" STREET	BASIN	BR, SP	EXEMPT
CRESCENT AVE.	CHANNEL C E	BR	EXEMPT
DIANI	BASIN	BR, SP	EXEMPT
FOXENWOOD BASIN #2	BASIN	DS	EXEMPT
FOXENWOOD BASIN #3	BASIN	SR	PEIR
INDUSTRIAL PARKWAY	CHANNEL E	SP	EXEMPT
K-MART.	BASIN	BR, SP	EXEMPT
OAK KNOLL	BASIN	BR, SP	EXEMPT
ORCUTT/SOLOMON	CREEK BASIN	BR, SP, SH, DS DS, BR	PEIR EXEMPT
S.M. AIRPORT/ABEX	CHANNEL C E CHANNEL E	BR, SP, DS BR, SP, DS	PEIR PEIR
TANGLEWOOD	BASIN	SP	EXEMPT

**SANTA MARIA
LEVEE**

FACILITY NAME	FACILITY TYPE	MAINTENANCE NEED	ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS
BRADLEY CANYON	CHANNEL E	BR, SP, DS	PEIR
SANTA MARIA	RIVER	BR, DS, SH	PEIR
S.M. RIVER LEVEE	RIVER LEVEE	SP, BR	EXEMPT

SANTA MARIA AREA

FACILITY NAME	FACILITY TYPE	MAINTENANCE NEED	ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS
BLOSSER	BASIN	BR	EXEMPT
BLOSSER DITCH	CHANNEL C	DS, SP	EXEMPT
BRADLEY	BASIN CHANNEL C E	SP BR, SP, DS	EXEMPT EXEMPT
GETTY	BASIN	DS	EXEMPT
HOBBS	BASIN	BR, SP	EXEMPT
PRELL	BASIN	BR, SP, DS	EXEMPT
THORNBERG ST. DITCH	CHANNEL C E	SP	EXEMPT
UNIT II/WEST MAIN	CHANNEL E	BR, SP, SH, DS	PEIR
UNIT II TAIL WATER	CHANNEL E	BR, SP, DS, SH	PEIR

ROBIN HILL DRAIN	CHANNEL C	SP	EXEMPT
ROMERO	CREEK	BR, SP	PEIR
SAN JOSE	CREEK CHANNEL C	BR, SP, SH SP	PEIR EXEMPT
SAN PEDRO	CREEK	BR, SP, SH, DS	PEIR
SANTA MONICA	CHANNEL C	BR	EXEMPT
SAN YSIDRO	CREEK	BR, SP, SH	PEIR
SYCAMORE	CREEK	BR, SP, DS	PEIR
TECOLOTE	CREEK	BR, SP, SH	PEIR
TORO	CREEK	BR, SP	PEIR

SANTA YNEZ

FACILITY NAME	FACILITY TYPE	MAINTENANCE NEED	ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS
ADOBE CANYON	CREEK	BR, SP	PEIR
AIREY-SKYTT	CHANNEL C E	SP	EXEMPT
ALAMO PINTADO	CREEK	BR	PEIR
AMBY	CHANNEL C E	SP	EXEMPT
BUELLTON 1&2	BASIN	BR	EXEMPT
THUMBELINA	CHANNEL C E	SP	EXEMPT

LOMPOC AREA

FACILITY NAME	FACILITY TYPE	MAINTENANCE NEED	ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS
CALVERT	CHANNEL E	BR, SP	EXEMPT
CEBADA	CHANNEL	DS	EXEMPT
CEMETARY	BASIN	BR, SP	EXEMPT
FAULT CYN	BASIN	BR	EXEMPT

HOAG-SANTA RITA	CHANNEL E	SH	EXEMPT
LILLEY-HAYES	CHANNEL E	BR, SP	EXEMPT
MIGUELITO	CHANNEL	SP	EXEMPT
MISSION HILLS	BASIN CHANNEL E	BR, SP BR	EXEMPT EXEMPT
MORMON	BASIN	BR	EXEMPT
R ST.	BASIN	BR	EXEMPT
RODEO-SAN PASCUAL	CHANNEL BASIN	DS DS	EXEMPT PEIR

LOS ALAMOS

FACILITY NAME	FACILITY TYPE	MAINTENANCE NEED	ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS
L.A. EAST-SIDE DITCH	CHANNEL E	BR	EXEMPT
SAN ANTONIO	CREEK	BR, SP, SH	PEIR

BRADLEY

FACILITY NAME	FACILITY TYPE	MAINTENANCE NEED	ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS
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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Santa Barbara County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
FROM: Public Works Department/Flood Control and Water Conservation District

The project or activity identified below is determined to be exempt from further environmental review requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, as defined in the State and County Guidelines for the implementation of CEQA.

APN(s) : Various Case No.: Not Applicable

Location: See attached project descriptions in the 2011/2012 Annual Routine Maintenance Plan. (Include street address and cross street (if urbanized area) or attach specific location map)

Project Title: Routine maintenance of creeks, channels, basins, and channels/ditches.

Project Description: See project descriptions in the 2011/2012 Annual Routine Maintenance Plan. (Include nature, purpose, and beneficiaries of project)

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of Santa Barbara

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Flood Control District

Exempt Status: (Check one)

- ___ Ministerial
___ Statutory Exemption
[X] Categorical Exemption
___ Emergency Project
___ Declared Emergency

Cite specific CEQA and/or CEQA Guideline Section: 15301 (b) Existing Facilities and 15061 No Environmental Impacts.

Reasons to support exemption findings (attach additional material, if necessary)

The projects constitute routine maintenance of man-made facilities and the environment will not be adversely impacted.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Tom Fayram Phone #: (805) 568-3436

Department/Division Representative: Seth Shank Date: June 1, 2011

Signature: Seth Shank

Acceptance Date:

Note: A copy of this form must be posted at P&D 6 days prior to a decision on the project. Upon project approval, this form must be filed with the County Clerk of the Board and posted by the Clerk of the Board for a period of 30 days to begin a 35 day statute of limitations on legal challenges.

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