



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Flood Control
Department No.: 054
For Agenda Of: May 2, 2023
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
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, (805) 568-3010
Director(s)
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Info:

SUBJECT: Romero Creek Debris Basin Improvements Project (Project No. SC8373), First Supervisorial District

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence: N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Directors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Statement of Final Quantities for work performed and materials supplied for the Romero Creek Debris Basin Improvements Project by the contractor Granite Construction Company (a local vendor), in the amount of \$2,138,072.26; and
- b) Find that pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15162, no new effects will occur and no new mitigation measures would be required as a result of the action and therefore pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Section 15168 (c)(2), that the action is within the scope of the project covered by the Updated Debris Basin Maintenance and Management Plan, approved in 2021 as a CEQA Addendum to the actions covered by the Program Environmental Impact Report for the Updated Routine Maintenance Program (01-EIR-01), as approved in 2001 (documents can be located here):
<https://santabarbara.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=4808952&GUID=AFE34584-4124-4F1B-87DC-F95C41E07456>.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda in order to obtain Board approval and authorization to execute the Statement of Final Quantities (SFQ) for the Romero Creek Debris Basin Improvements Project (Project No. SC8373), First Supervisorial District.

On April 5, 2022, the Board entered into an agreement with Granite Construction Company to construct the Romero Creek Debris Basin Improvements Project for \$2,182,884.00 and a contingency authorized for \$121,644.20. This project was completed at a cost of \$2,138,072.26.

The project improved the performance of the debris basin by refining the outlet structure design and connection to the downstream channel. The project provides a significant improvement to fish passage in Romero Creek. The design established a more natural sediment conveyance through the system while capturing large debris during larger storm events and during burned watershed conditions.

The Flood Control District (District) has accepted the work of the contractor Granite Construction Company, completed per plans and specifications. On November 14, 2022, the Notice of Completion for this project was recorded by the Clerk Recorder’s office.

Background:

The Romero Creek Debris Basin Improvement Project is located on Romero Creek, approximately two miles upstream of the Pacific Ocean. The debris basin and dam were built in 1972 by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) as an emergency remedial flood control response to the Romero Fire of 1971.

In 2017 the Board of Supervisors approved an Updated Debris Basin Maintenance & Removal Plan (DBMRP) to incorporate designs and plans to improve select debris basins along the South Coast in accordance with the District’s 10-year USACE Standard Individual Permit. Following the 1/9/2018 Debris Flow, the District revised the DBMRP to include a modification to the Romero Debris Basin, producing the 2021 Updated Debris Basin Maintenance & Management Plan (DBMMP) as a CEQA addendum.

This construction contract was partially funded by the Federal Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) and the South Coast Flood Zone.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Sources	Current FY Cost:	Annualized On-going Cost:	Total One-Time Project Cost
South Coast Flood Zone			\$ 919,371.07
HMGP (FEMA)			\$ 1,218,701.19
Federal Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,138,072.26

Narrative:

Costs for this project were included in the adopted FY 2022-23 budget in the Water Resources Division of the Public Works Department as shown on page D-424 in the budget book. The project will be receiving HMGP grant funding in the amount of \$1,218,701.19 with the remainder costs being paid from the South Coast Flood Zone. No General Fund monies were utilized with this project.

Special Instructions:

Direct the Clerk of the Board to send a copy of the Statement of Final Quantities and the minute order of these actions to the Flood Control District office, Attn: Christina Lopez.

Attachments:

Attachment A – Statement of Final Quantities

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Romero Creek Debris Basin Improvements Project, First Supervisorial District Completed Project Photograph

