# SANTA BARBARA COUNTY AGENDA BOARD LETTER

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TO: Board of Directors

Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District

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SUBJECT: Annual Maintenance Plan FY 2006-07, All Supervisorial Districts

# RECOMMENDATIONS: C.A. Recommendation:\_\_\_\_\_

That the Board of Directors:

Set a hearing for June 20, 2006 on the Departmental Agenda for the following (ESTIMATED TIME: 45 MINUTES):

- A. Consider the approval of the projects described in the Annual Maintenance Plan;
- B. Certify the addenda to the District's Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) that have been prepared for the projects described in the Annual Maintenance Plan; and
- C. Direct the District to have the staff report regarding the Annual Maintenance Plan available to interested parties on June 8, 2006.

## **ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PLAN:**

The recommendations are primarily aligned with Goal No. 2. Ensure the Public Health and Safety and Provide Essential Infrastructure.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY & DISCUSSION:**

Each year, the Flood Control Annual Maintenance Plan is prepared to describe the routine maintenance of various creeks and rivers for the coming year. This combined maintenance plan allows the use of an efficient permit process through both the State and Federal Governments.

Based on the Flood Control Program EIR, the maintenance projects developed are carried to your Board for CEQA compliance and approval, and then forwarded to regulatory agencies for the necessary permits.

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Two public workshops are scheduled for May 24, 2006 (6:00 p.m. in Public Works Conference Room #1, 123 E. Anapamu St. in Santa Barbara), and May 25, 2006 (6:00 p.m. in Santa Maria at Betteravia Government Center, Board Conference Room). Staff will take public comments at these workshops and will modify the projects as appropriate. A staff report detailing the projects will be prepared for your Board's approval. Staff requests that a hearing be set for June 20, 2006 to consider the plan's approval. The Annual Maintenance Plan staff report will be available for public review and also distributed to your Board on June 8, 2006.

### **MANDATES & SERVICE LEVELS:**

The Annual Maintenance Plan contains addenda to the Program EIR for the District's routine maintenance program (01-EIR-01), which was approved by your Board on December 11, 2001. The Annual Maintenance Plan provides for maintenance of creeks, channels, and basins to preserve flood flow capacities throughout the County.

#### **FACILITIES AND FISCAL IMPACT:**

Funds associated with the Annual Maintenance Plan work are included in the proposed FY 2006/07 Budget under the Maintenance cost center of the Water Resources Division of the Public Works Department. Maintenance costs are allocated in each of our ten flood zones.

#### SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Direct the Clerk of the Board to publish notice of this hearing in the Santa Barbara News-Press and the Santa Maria Times as provided in Section 6061 of the Government Code (publish notice once at least ten days before hearing).

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