

**Agreement for Cost Sharing
Gap Fire Flood Protection and Mitigation Project:
Aerial Hydromulching**

THIS Agreement for Cost Sharing of the Gap Fire Flood Protection and Mitigation Project: Aerial Hydromulching, ("Agreement"), is made and entered into this ___ day of _____, 2008,

by and among the

City of Santa Barbara, a municipal corporation;

the

City of Goleta, a municipal corporation;

and the

Santa Barbara County Flood Control
And Water Conservation District,
hereinafter referred to as
"DISTRICT".

RECITALS

WHEREAS, in July 2008, the Gap wildfire broke out on the South Coast of Santa Barbara County and burned a total of 9,544 acres; and

WHEREAS, the burned area includes portions of the San Jose Creek, Las Vegas/San Pedro Creek, Los Carneros Creek, Tecolotito Creek, Ellwood/Winchester Creek, and Tecolote Creek watersheds; and

WHEREAS, post-wildfire changes in basin hydrology typically include a shift toward greater runoff volumes and higher magnitude peak runoff rates during subsequent rainstorms; and

WHEREAS, increased soil erosion and the occurrence of mass movements including debris flows are also concerns in watersheds where fire has destroyed vegetation; and

WHEREAS, primary concerns are flooding at the Santa Barbara Airport and in the City of Goleta northerly of Calle Real along Las Vegas and San Pedro Creeks,

sedimentation in channels downstream of the burn area, and plugging of culverts and bridges with debris; and

WHEREAS, the United States Forest Service is pursuing the application on federal lands by aerial methods a hydro-mulch material consisting of mulch, tackifier and water that is considered to provide erosion control; and

WHEREAS, the Cities of Santa Barbara and Goleta and the District desire to extend the application of the hydro-mulch material to burn areas located outside the federal lands to provide the same benefit; and

WHEREAS, the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) has committed funding through their Emergency Watershed Protection Plan to reimburse the District 75% of the costs to hydro-mulch the burn areas located outside the federal lands, with additional cost sharing anticipated from the State of California Offices of Emergency Services (State OES); and

NOW, THEREFORE, in order to safeguard lives and minimize property damage in the event of flooding or debris flows generated by post-fire runoff from winter storms it is mutually agreed as follows:

1. The District will enter into a contract with a private contractor to apply hydro-mulch to those burn areas located on non-federal lands and that fit within the design criteria considered effective for said application.
2. The Cities of Santa Barbara and Goleta and the District will pay the remaining costs that are not covered by the NRCS and State OES.
3. The Cities of Goleta and Santa Barbara's contributions to the remaining costs shall not exceed \$70,000 each. The District shall be responsible for the balance of the local share not covered by the NRCS and the State OES.
4. The County will before executing a contract with their contractor provide the cost information to the Cities of Santa Barbara and Goleta.
5. The District and the Cities of Santa Barbara and Goleta will review the actual costs and at that time confirm that they will participate in the funding of the hydro-mulch application on the non-federal lands.
6. The District will submit for reimbursement from the NRCS and State OES.
7. The District will send an invoice to the Cities of Santa Barbara and Goleta for payment of their share. The Cities will have 30 days to submit payment.
8. This Agreement is effective as of the date first written above.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement:

CITY OF SANTA BARABRA

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY FLOOD
CONTROL & WATER CONSERVATION
DISTRICT

Name
Public Works Director

Supervisor Salud Carbajal, Chair

Attest:

Attest:
Michael F. Brown
Clerk of the Board

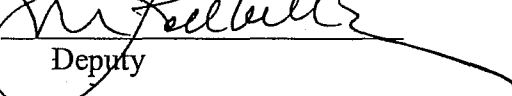
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By: _____
Deputy

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Dennis Marshall
County Counsel

By: _____
Stephen P. Wiley

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Deputy

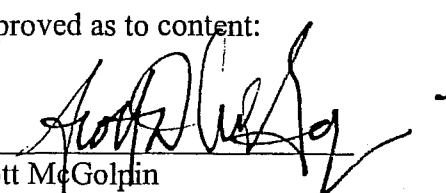
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Auditor-Controller

By: _____
Pat Kelly
City Engineer

By: 
Deputy

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By: 
Scott McGolpin
County Public Works Director

By: _____
James L. Armstrong
City Administrator

CITY OF GOLETA

Daniel Singer
City Manager

Attest:

By: _____
City Clerk

Approved as to form:

By: _____
Tim Giles
City Attorney

Approved as to content:

By: _____
Steve Wagner
Community Services Director

