

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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Agenda Number:
Prepared on: 12/23/05
Department: Public Works/Flood Control
Budget Unit: 054-04-04
Agenda Date: 01/10/06
Placement: Administrative
Estimate Time:
Continued Item: NO
If Yes, date from:

TO: Board of Directors
Santa Barbara County Flood Control & Water Conservation District

FROM: Phillip M. Demery
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SUBJECT: **Accept Property in Fee via Final Map for Tract 5863
Fifth Supervisorial District**

Recommendations: That the Flood Control & Water Conservation District Board of Directors:

Accept Lot 8 of Tract 5863 in fee from Westgate Ranch, LLC, owners of The Village at Westgate, by authorizing the Clerk of the Board of Directors to sign the "Board of Directors Statement" on the face of the Final Map, (Clerk, Fourth-fifths vote required).

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation(s) are primarily aligned with Goal No. 2. Ensure the Public Health and Safety and Provide Essential Infrastructure.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

On September 14, 1999, the developers of the first elements of the Westgate Ranch project, City of Santa Maria, dedicated the property for the Hobbs Regional Retention Basin. The Hobbs basin served to help control both onsite drainage from Westgate Ranch and offsite drainage. This approach helped provide maximum efficiency of the basin.

The next phase of the Westgate Ranch is approved by the City and seeking recordation. Staff worked with the developer and agreed that expanding the Hobbs basin, again for onsite and offsite drainage, was desirable. This dedication will increase the size of the Hobbs basin.

This enlarged basin, combined with the recently completed West Green Canyon flood control project offers a significant improvement to flood protection in the area.

Staff will be returning to your Board with a separate document for an easement dedication back to the City of Santa Maria over a portion of the property for A Street being improved as a part of the Westgate project.

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Mandates and Service Levels:

This property is needed to expand, operate, and maintain Hobbs Basin.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

There is no cost associated with accepting this property, the District currently maintains Hobbs Basin.

Special Instructions:

Direct the Clerk of the Board to send a copy of the minute order of this action to Christina Lopez, Flood Control District office.