

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY  
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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**Agenda Number:**  
**Prepared on:** May 13, 2004  
**Department:** Flood Control/Public Works  
**Budget Unit:** 054  
**Agenda Date:** 06/01/04  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimate Time:**  
**Continued Item:** NO  
**If Yes, date from:**

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

**FROM:** Phillip M. Demery, Director  
Public Works Department

**STAFF CONTACT:** Thomas Fayram, Deputy Public Works Director, Ext. 3436  
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**SUBJECT:** Permanent Easements for El Encanto Debris Basin,  
637 East Micheltorena, A.P.N. 029-041-005  
First Supervisorial District

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**Recommendations:**

That the Board of Directors of the Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District execute Real Property Purchase Contract and Escrow Instructions for Permanent and accept Permanent Easement on Santa Barbara County Assessor parcel number 029-041-005 by authorizing the Clerk of the Board to sign the Certificate of Acceptance. This parcel is located within the El Encanto Debris Basin Project area on the El Encanto Creek flood corridor near Micheltorena Street in the City of Santa Barbara.

**Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:**

The recommendation(s) are primarily aligned with actions required by law or by routine business necessity.

**Executive Summary and Discussion:**

On December 9, 2003, your Board approved the Mitigated Negative Declaration (03-ND-22) for the El Encanto Debris Basin Project located near the intersection of Micheltorena Street and California Street in the City of Santa Barbara (City). The El Encanto Debris Basin Project consists of constructing a catchment basin, retaining walls and an access ramp. The project will also replace 450 feet of existing storm drain. Construction of this project will reduce the downstream storm drains from plugging and reduce the associated flooding for residents in the area.

On March 2, 2004, your Board approved acquisition of permanent and temporary construction easements needed for construction and maintenance of the project. At that time, we identified that one additional permanent easement was needed for on-going maintenance of these improvements; this contract and permanent easement represents that last easement needed for the project.

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**Mandates and Service Levels:**

The El Encanto Debris Basin Project was identified and included in the March 26, 1996 Voter Approved South Coast Benefit Assessment Increase Measure (J-96). In addition, this project will improve drainage and increase flood protection in this area.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

The Permanent Easement on APN# 029-041-00 is being acquired for a total of Fifty Four Thousand One Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$54,180.00). Costs associated with the acquisition of easements for the El Encanto Debris Basin Project were included in the Adopted 2003/04 Budget and were allocated in the Design Cost Center under the Water Resources Division of the Public Works Department as shown on page D-322 in the budget book. Costs of these easements will be paid from Dept: 054, Acct: 8700, Fund: 2610, Program: 3005. This project is also identified in the County's Capital Improvement Plan.

**Special Instructions:** After Board action, distribute as follows:

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| 1. Original Contract and Escrow Instructions           | Clerk of the Board Files          |
| 2. Certified Copies of Contracts and Original Easement | Brett Maxfield, Surveyor's Office |
| 4. Minute Order  | Brett Maxfield, Surveyor's Office |

**NOTE:** Real Property will deliver the original Grant Deed and Certificate of Acceptance for recordation in Escrow. A certified copy of the recorded Grant Deed and Certificate of Acceptance will be delivered to the Clerk and to the District for their files.

**Concurrence:**  
County Counsel  
Auditor Controller  
Risk Management