

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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

FROM: Phillip M. Demery
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SUBJECT: **Notice of Completion for the Montecito Creek Debris Basin Project
SC8306, First Supervisorial District**

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Directors:

Accept the attached Notice of Completion for work performed by the Contractor, Whitaker Contractors Inc., (not a local vendor) located at 22985 El Camino Real, Santa Margarita, CA and authorize the Clerk to record.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation(s) are primarily aligned with Goal No. 2. A Safe and Healthy Community in Which to Live, Work, and Visit.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

On March 6, 2001, your Board entered into an agreement with Zerimar Corporation for construction of the Montecito Debris Basin Project in the amount of \$2,675,512.92.

This project was originally scheduled to be completed November 1, 2001. However, by that date, Zerimar was not near completion of the project. As Zerimar continued to fall further behind schedule, staff contacted the Surety, The Colonial American Casualty and Surety Company, to alert them of the problem. On March 27, 2002, staff was informed in writing by Zerimar that they were unable to complete the work and that The Colonial American Casualty and Surety Company had taken control of the project.

The Colonial American Casualty and Surety Company sought proposals from contractors to complete the work and selected Whitaker Contractors Inc. to complete the project in the amount of \$1,385,000. On May 14, 2002, your Board approved a Tender, Completion and Release

Agreement among the District, The Colonial American Casualty and Surety Company, and Whitaker Contractors Inc. (the Completion Contractor) to complete the project.

The District has accepted the work of the contractor, Whitaker Contractors, Inc. completed per plans and specifications. Final quantities and costs of project will be brought to your Board for approval at a later date.

Mandates and Service Levels:

Direction by the Board will not change mandates or service levels.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

This project was included in the Adopted 2002/03 Budget and costs were allocated in the Design Cost Center under the Water Resources Division of the Public Works Department as shown on page D-300 in the budget book. Costs from this project will be paid from Dept: 054, Acct: 8700, Fund: 2610, Program: 3005.

Special Instructions:

Direct the Clerk of the Board to send a copy of the recorded Notice of Completion to the Flood Control District office, attn: Christina Lopez.

Concurrence: County Counsel



Montecito Creek Debris Basin on November 8, 2002