

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY  
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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

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**SUBJECT:** **Cooperative Agreement with the Land Trust of Santa Barbara for the Carpinteria Salt Marsh Enhancement Plan, First Supervisorial District**

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**Recommendation(s):**

That the Board of Directors:

Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Cooperative Agreement with the Land Trust for Santa Barbara for the construction of the Carpinteria Salt Marsh Enhancement Plan.

**Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:**

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

**Executive Summary and Discussion:**

On July 15, 2003, your Board approved the Carpinteria Salt Marsh Enhancement Plan and certified the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) that was prepared for the project.

The Plan consists of a combined flood control and wetland restoration project. The flood control element of the Plan completes the final phase of the Carpinteria Valley Watershed Protection Program (CVWPP). The USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) is the federal lead agency for the project and the Santa Barbara County Flood Control District (Flood Control District) is the primary local sponsor for the project and will be the lead agency for construction. The California Coastal Conservancy (Conservancy) has provided funding to the Land Trust for Santa Barbara County (LTSB) for certain elements of the wetland restoration component of the Plan.

This Cooperative Agreement between the LTSB and the Flood Control District identifies tasks and responsibilities of each agency for the construction and on-going maintenance of the project. One of the tasks of the Flood Control District will be to go out to bid and award a construction contract pursuant to the Public Contract Code for construction of both the flood control and restoration

elements of the project. This will allow for construction of the project to be done under a single contract. Construction of the Plan by two contractors is not considered feasible due to potential conflicts and timing issues. The Flood Control District will invoice the LTSB monthly for their portion of the work.

**Mandates and Service Levels:**

This project will provide an increase in flood control protection and wetland restoration to the area.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

There are no fiscal impacts associated with this agreement. The agreement identifies tasks and responsibilities of each agency and coordinates the construction of the Carpinteria Salt Marsh Enhancement Plan.

The costs associated the project was included in the Adopted 2003/04 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-320 in the budget book. Costs from this project 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:**

Direct the Clerk of the Board to send two certified copies of the Cooperative Agreement along with a copy of the minute order to the Flood Control District office, Attn: Christina Lopez.