

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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Agenda Number:
Prepared on:
Department Name: Public Works
Department No.: 054-04-03
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Placement: Administrative
Estimate Time: 60 minutes on October 4, 2005
Continued Item: NO
If Yes, date from:

TO: Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Barbara

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SUBJECT: **Set a Hearing to Consider Recommendations regarding Channel Maintenance of the Santa Ynez River, Third Supervisorial District**

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

Set a hearing to consider recommendation regarding channel maintenance of the Santa Ynez River (FOR OCTOBER 4, 2005; ESTIMATED TIME: 60 MINUTES).

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The Recommendation is primarily aligned with Goal No. 2. A Safe and healthy Community in Which to Live, Work, and Visit.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

On October 4, 2005, your Board will consider environmental options for channel maintenance of the Santa Ynez River. Currently, clearing work in the Santa Ynez River requires processing under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA), and requires permits from:

- The US Army Corps of Engineers, who also coordinates with other Federal Agencies including; US EPA, US Fish & Wildlife, NOAA Fisheries, and the State Regional Water Quality Board; and
- The California Department of Fish & Game.

Mandates and Service Levels:

There are no changes in mandates or services levels with this board action.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

There are no fiscal impacts with this board action.