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# Public Comment

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Dear Chair Hart and Board Members,

The Environmental Defense Center ("EDC") has worked on and followed the Lower Mission Creek Flood Control Project since 1989. At that time, the Army Corps of Engineers proposed a 2.1-mile long concrete channelization project that would have destroyed Lower Mission's Creek's habitat, beauty, and ambience in downtown Santa Barbara. Thanks in large part to EDC and Urban Creeks Council's work, a compromise was approved in 1994 with full support from the Corps, City, and County. The compromise achieves increased flood protection, while protecting the creek's natural resource values. The action before you today helps to implement the compromise project, and EDC fully supports it.

Thank you.

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