



Santa Clara Valley Water District

File No.: 17-0283

Agenda Date: 5/23/2017

Item No.: 3.6.

BOARD AGENDA MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:

Providing Notice of Time and Place of Public Hearing Regarding the Proposed Modification to the Coyote Creek Flood Protection Project of the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program.

RECOMMENDATION:

Set a time and place for the public hearing on the Proposed Modification to the Coyote Creek Flood Protection Project (Coyote Creek Project) of the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program, at 1:00 p.m. on June 13, 2017, at the Santa Clara Valley Water District, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California.

SUMMARY:

On July 24, 2012, the Board adopted Resolution No. 12-62 (Attachment 1), which specified the limits and conditions under which the District is authorized to institute a special parcel tax for the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program (Safe, Clean Water Program).

As set forth in that resolution, the Board of Directors may direct that proposed projects in the Safe, Clean Water Program be modified or not implemented depending upon a number of factors, including federal and state funding limitations. To modify a proposed project the Board must hold a formal, public hearing on the matter, which will be noticed by publication and notification to interested parties, before adoption of any such decision to modify or not implement a project.

The primary objective of the Coyote Creek Project is to reduce the risk of flooding to homes, schools, businesses, and highways in the Coyote Creek floodplain. The current Project reach is approximately 6.1 miles between Montague Expressway and Hwy 280. The proposed modification would extend the Project reach approximately 2.9 miles upstream to Tully Road to include the Rock Springs neighborhood and incorporate the areas impacted by the February 21, 2017 flood event. Additionally, the proposed modification to the Project will change the target protection from 1%, or 100-year, level flood event, to protection from a flood event equivalent to the February 21, 2017 flood (approximately a 20 to 25 year event). The proposed modification also includes identifying short-term flood relief solutions, that are permissible and do not exacerbate flooding elsewhere.

Staff recommends that at 1:00 p.m. on June 13, 2017, the Board conduct a public hearing on the Proposed Modification to the Coyote Creek Project of the Safe, Clean Water Program.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The financial impact of this item is estimated to be approximately \$40,000, which includes the cost of advertising the public hearing and ad translations costs (Attachment 2). These costs will be paid through the Coyote Creek Project budget (26174043).

CEQA:

The recommended action does not constitute a project under CEQA because it does not have a potential for resulting in direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: Resolution 12-62

Attachment 2: Public Hearing Notice

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:

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