

**MINUTES**  
**Flood Control District Advisory Committee/Public Review**  
**September 15, 2021**

**Committee Members Present:** Galo Galovale, Chris Langham, James MacAdam, Mark Murphy, Gus Myers; John Spiker; Ann Youberg

**Flood Control District Staff Present:** Eric Shepp, Deputy Director; Brian Jones, Floodplain Division Manager; Greg Saxe, Environmental Planning Manager; Deirdre Brosnihan, Engineer III, Ann Moynihan, Engineer III; Tamara Jorde, Special Staff Assistant; Kylie Walzak, Special Staff Assistant, Pima County District 2

**Others Present:** Ken Perry, Perry Engineering

The meeting was held via Microsoft Teams.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Committee approved the July 21, 2021 minutes.

**QUERY TO THE AUDIENCE**

N/A

**NEW BUSINESS**

**2021 Monsoon Update**

Eric Shepp stated the infrastructure behaved as designed. We received two large events where there was flooding:

1. Finger Rock Wash (report pending).
2. Sahuarita/Green Valley Drainageway #1 (see attached). The District is working with the Town of Sahuarita and the HOAs.

Brian Jones stated the District received a lot of drainage complaints outside of the regulatory floodplain and our authority.

In addition, Greg Saxe stated a new rain gage was installed at Pima Canyon due to the Bighorn Fire scar.

Eric Shepp asked what other jurisdictions experience:

1. John Spiker stated that Oro Valley has some inundations with a lot of sheet flooding, but mostly minor.
2. Gus Myers stated Lazy K received sediment loads, but okay.

**CRS Recertification Update**

Greg Saxe stated the Risk Rating 2.0 is effecting on October 1, 2021. In addition, he stated that elevation certificates rules are much stricter; require 90% accuracy with one opportunity to correct.

John Spiker stated that Oro Valley will go through the process to join the CRS and will contact Greg Saxe for information.

## **Bighorn Fire Monitoring/Ann Youberg**

Ann Youberg stated she will present at the October meeting.

## **CONTINUING BUSINESS**

### **Regulatory Updates – State and Federal**

Eric Shepp stated that the court case challenging WOTUS was thrown out.

*As part of ADEQ's commitment to keep you informed on federal changes regarding Waters of the U.S., we want you to be aware that a District Judge for the District of Arizona issued an order on vacating and remanding the Navigable Waters Protection Rule on Monday, Aug. 30, 2021.*

*The order will have the effect of setting Clean Water Act regulations in Arizona to those in place pre-2015.*

*ADEQ will continue to follow applicable federal and state laws in its administration of the Arizona Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (AZPDES) Program and the upcoming Surface Water Protection Program.*

*ADEQ plans to publish a list of protected surface waters in compliance with state law and to continue outreach on the rulemaking required to implement the Surface Water Protection Program.*

### **Report from Committee Members**

No business.

## **REPORT FROM FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT STAFF**

### **BOS Action Summary**

#### ✓ **August 10, 2021**

U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Amendment No. 1, to provide for the Brawley Wash Watershed Plan and extend grant term to 6/30/23, \$154,494.48 (GTAM 21-101). Approved

### **Regional Flood Control District Projects and Program Updates**

Eric Shepp stated that the County Administrator requested the District develop a work plan for the purpose of flood control as well as groundwater recharge and stormwater reuse (see attached).

In addition, Eric Shepp stated that the FCDAC wears others hats such as the Board of Hearing Review (BOHR). The BOHR is comprised of 5 members who represent the Board of Supervisors districts. In a month or so, the BOHR will need to convene for a case.

## **CALL TO THE AUDIENCE**

N/A

## **AGENDA ITEMS – October 20, 2021 MEETING**

1. HOA Outreach Information
2. Federal Infrastructure Bill Update
3. Santa Cruz River Management Plan

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.