

**COCHISE COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DECEMBER 6, 2011**

A meeting of the Cochise County Flood Control Board was held on Tuesday, December 6, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona. In attendance were Patrick Call, Chairman; Ann English, Director; Richard Searle, Director; Mike Ortega, County Administrator; Jim Vlahovich, Deputy County Administrator; Britt Hanson, Chief Civil Deputy Attorney; and Katie Howard, Clerk of the Board.

THE ORDER OR DELETION OF ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION AT THE MEETING

ROLL CALL – All three directors were present.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

CONSENT

ITEM 1

Board of Supervisors

Approve the Minutes for the Flood Control District board meeting of September 27, 2011.

Director English made a motion to approve item 1 of the Consent Agenda. Director Searle seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ACTION

ITEM 2

Community Development

Approve agreement with Walton Family Foundation for grant funding for Palominas Area Stormwater Recharge Pilot Project for a three year period, in the total amount not to exceed \$1,693,265.00.

Director Searle made a motion to approve agreement with Walton Family Foundation for grant funding for Palominas Area Stormwater Recharge Pilot Project for a three year period, in the total amount not to exceed \$1,693,265.00. Director English seconded the motion.

Ms. Karen Riggs, County Engineer presented to item. She was pleased to request the Flood Control District to approve the Walton grant to receive \$1,693,265 over a three-year period. She reviewed the award letter stipulations: the agreement builds on an existing flood control project for reducing flooding in the Palominas area; and the project includes the Kings Ranch subdivision project and the connectivity between the upper watershed and Palominas area to design, construct, monitor, and follow recharge results to determine objectively how effective recharge efforts are. Ms. Riggs outlined the conditions of the grant: payment upon flood control district approval for initial analysis and design; two other pieces of the project are using GIS as a tool for gathering data all in one place for regional planning and a general feasibility analysis for capturing stormwater runoff in urban areas higher up in the watershed and transporting it to recharge closer to the river. She said the County meets all the conditions that the foundation has stipulated in the grant that also requires strict accounting and reporting requirements. She outlined the grant budget and how the County has very effectively leveraged outside resources for this project.

Director Searle asked about other construction-type projects and additional staff resources for administering the grant.

Ms. Riggs said there will be additional construction projects that will be funded by the grant and she will spend some time scoping the project and doing bi-annual reports but nothing too time-consuming.

Director English asked about the participation with the Kings Ranch subdivision.

Ms. Riggs explained the work with the new owners, the open space area and said there will be no additional costs to the County for easements.

The supervisors thanked Ms. Riggs for her hard work putting together a worthy grant and said they are interested in following the results and hope to use this project as a model for other conservations efforts.

Chairman Call called for the vote and it carried 3-0.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC (MATTERS RELATED TO COUNTY GOVERNMENT - LIMIT OF 3 MINUTES PER PERSON OR AT THE DIRECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN)

Chairman Call opened the Call to the Public. No one wished to address the Board and Chairman Call closed the Call to the Public.

There being no other business before the Flood Control District Board, Chairman Call adjourned the meeting at 10:19 a.m.

APPROVED:

Patrick Call, Chairman

ATTEST:

Katie A. Howard, Clerk of the Board
(SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION IS AVAILABLE AT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' OFFICE)