



ALAMEDA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, ZONE 7

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ORIGINATING SECTION: FLOOD PROTECTION
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AGENDA DATE: August 16, 2017

ITEM NO. **7h**

SUBJECT: Establishing Program for Administrative Support of Private Flood Control and Erosion Projects

SUMMARY:

- From time to time, Zone 7 staff receive requests from private landowners for assistance in pursuing flood protection-related projects on private property.
- Many of these potential project areas were identified in Zone 7's Stream Management Master Plan but because of their minimal benefits for regional flood protection, funding partners were needed to pursue or implement.
- When grants or funding partners do come forward, individual private homeowners may have a difficult time pursuing such opportunities or may not be eligible to apply.
- Staff are recommending a new program similar to others performed by sister agencies whereby Zone 7 would provide expertise and minimal staff support, when available, to pursue grants and partnership opportunities with any actual project costs and ongoing responsibilities for project maintenance costs or actual maintenance to be provided by the private landowner requesting the assistance.
- This concept was discussed at the Strategic Planning Workshop held on August 2, 2017, and the board requested that it be brought forward for a board vote.

FUNDING:

Minimal funding for program administration is available from Fund 200 – Flood Protection Operations.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt the attached resolution.

ATTACHMENT:

Resolution

ZONE 7
ALAMEDA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION NO.

INTRODUCED BY
SECONDED BY

Establishing Program for Administrative Support of Private Flood/Erosion Projects

WHEREAS, certain private landowners adjacent to various privately-owned flood channels or similar storm and flood water conveyance facilities have concerns about these flood facilities and/or have experienced erosion on their parcels in recent years; and

WHEREAS, these private landowners have either limited expertise or lack the means to facilitate projects to address stream stabilization, erosion prevention and habitat enhancements; and

WHEREAS, Zone 7 has no property interest or projects in these privately-owned flood facilities; and

WHEREAS, grants for construction for the projects to address stream stabilization, erosion prevention and habitat enhancements could have a regional benefit to the overall environmental health of the area, reducing downstream sediment loading and reducing risks of untimely flow blockage from collapsing banks;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Zone 7 of Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District does hereby direct staff to create a new program whereby Zone 7 would provide technical expertise and some minimal staff support, when available, to pursue grants and partnership opportunities with the private landowner requesting assistance to cover actual project costs and ongoing responsibilities for project maintenance; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Zone 7 of Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District also authorizes staff to provide such technical expertise and minimal staff support, when available, to pursue such grants and partnership opportunities with the landowner covering costs for such things as providing any grant matching funds and/or on-going maintenance costs for the project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Zone 7 of Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District also authorizes staff to identify Zone 7 as the Local Sponsor for such projects when required to qualify for such grant programs and enter into agreements with the landowners outlining respective responsibilities.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

I certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of Zone 7 of the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District on August 16, 2017.

By: _____
President, Board of Directors