

Marin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District

**DRAFT NOTES OF THE
FLOOD ZONE 1 ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
HELD FEBRUARY 23, 2023
AT THE CITY OF NOVATO ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES**

Board Members (AB) Present

Bill Long (BL) – Chairman
Gary Butler (GB)

District Staff (Staff) Present

Roger Leventhal (RL), Senior Civil Engineer
Hannah Lee (HL), Senior Civil Engineer

Board Members (AB) Absent

Sue Lattanzio (SL)
Drew McIntyre (DM)

A quorum of advisory board members could not be present, so no actions were taken.

Item 1. Approval of Meeting Minutes: February 10, 2022

Action deferred to next meeting due to lack of a quorum.

Item 2. Open Time for Items Not on the Agenda

Vince Lattanzio of the Bel Marin Keys Community Services District (CSD) expressed a desire for Flood Zone 1 to coordinate dredging, tidal wetland restoration, and funding efforts with the CSD.

Susan Stompe of the Marin Conservation League suggested that advisory board members tune in to the upcoming quarterly State Route 37 Policy Committee meeting on Zoom. She also expressed concern about a proposed battery storage facility in the Novato Baylands.

Advisory board requested, to improve readability, that the print in the staff report be the automatic black color and not have some items dark gray.

Item 3. Storm Report

See the staff report for information. Advisory board asked how Nave Gardens did during the storm series. Facilities were kept clean and no major issues were reported.

Staff added that the County is coordinating with other agencies to install a radar in Marin. For information on this Advanced Quantitative Precipitation Information project see Sonoma Water's website: <https://www.sonomawater.org/aqpi>. Advisory board members may attend the March 7, 2023 meeting when the Marin County Board of Supervisors will consider an agreement for the necessary right-of-way for this proposed facility.

Item 4. Countywide Framework for Sea Level Rise Adaptation and Mitigation

See the staff report for information.

Item 5. Deer Island Basin Complex Wetland Restoration Design (Written Update Only)

See staff report for written update.

Item 6. Novato Creek Bypass Study (formerly called Arroyo Avichi-Baccaglio-Scottsdale-Lynwood Complex or ABSL Flood Study)

See staff report for written update. Presentation posted here:

<https://marinflooddistrict.org/documents/novato-creek-bypass-study-presentation-2-23-23/>

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Advisory board members present requested that figures presented in this study represent the areal extents of flooding and that alternatives analysis ranking criteria be presented to the advisory board.

Item 7. Operations and Maintenance Update

See staff report for written update.

Item 8. Zone 1 FY 2023-24 Proposed Baseline Budget

Advisory board members present requested that a Statement of Proposed Action be sent to advisory board members recommending the baseline budget. They also requested that any newly appointed advisory board members meet in the office with District staff to review the budget and project status to help them get up to speed.

Item 9. Schedule Next Meeting

Next regular meeting scheduled for February 2024 with a special meeting likely to be held in fall 2023 to review preliminary alternatives for the Novato Bypass Study.