

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT
MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2024**

A meeting of the Cochise County Flood Control District was held on Tuesday, September 24, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present: Ann English, Chairman; Tom Crosby, Vice-Chairman; Peggy Judd, Supervisor

Staff Present: Richard G. Karwaczka, County Administrator
Sharon Gilman, Deputy County Administrator
Paul Correa, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney
Lara Loewenheim, Clerk of the Board

Chairman English called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IS OPEN FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

CONSENT

Engineering & Natural Resources

1. Approve the Minutes of the Flood Control District meetings for July 9, 2024.

Supervisor Judd made a motion to approve consent agenda item 1. Vice-Chairman Crosby seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ACTION

Engineering & Natural Resources

2. Approve Grant Agreement EMF-2022-BR-005-0001 between Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs and Cochise County Flood Control District for the Willcox Regional Flood Mitigation and Groundwater Recharge Scoping Project, in the amount of \$200,000, effective March 26, 2024, through March 25, 2027.

Vice-Chairman Crosby made a motion to approve Grant Agreement EMF-2022-BR-005-0001 between Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs and Cochise County Flood Control District for the Willcox Regional Flood Mitigation and Groundwater Recharge Scoping Project, in the amount of \$200,000, effective March 26, 2024, through March 25, 2027. Supervisor Judd seconded the motion.

Jackie Watkins, Engineering and Natural Resources Director, presented this item. Ms.

Watkins stated the grant will fund a high-level watershed study in the Wilcox Basin to identify locations for improving both water recharge and flood control. She stated the area regularly experiences significant flooding, and the study aims to find solutions. Ms. Watkins noted a consultant will be hired to help develop future projects based on the findings.

In response to the Board, Ms. Watkins stated the grant is known as the(BRIC) Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities grant. Ms. Watkins explained there is a focus on both flood mitigation and water recharge, but the priority is flood control, with the recharge benefits coming as a secondary effect. Ms. Watkins stated the types of structures that could be built include earthen dams or concrete dams.

Chairman English called for the vote and it was approved 3-0.

Chairman English adjourned the meeting at 10:04 a.m.

APPROVED:

Ann English, Chairman

ATTEST:

Lara Loewenheim, Clerk of the Board