

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT
MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2024**

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

Present: Ann English, Chairman, Telephonic; 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

Attendees: Mark Apel, Environmental Project Coordinator

Vice-Chairman Crosby called the meeting to order at 10:14 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 meeting for November 26, 2024.

Supervisor Judd made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Flood Control District meeting for November 26, 2024. Chairman English seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ACTION

Engineering & Natural Resources

2. Approve Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with The Nature Conservancy to assist in the acquisition of property for the Bisbee Effluent Recharge Project.

Supervisor Judd made a motion to approve Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with The Nature Conservancy to assist in the acquisition of property for the Bisbee Effluent Recharge Project. Chairman English seconded the motion.

Mark Apel, Environmental Projects Coordinator, presented this item. Mr. Apel explained that The Nature Conservancy, a long-time partner of the county and the

Cochise Conservation and Recharge Network, is seeking to formalize an agreement regarding a property acquisition. The property, located along the San Pedro River, is intended for use in the recharge network, with support from Fort Huachuca. The proposed MOU will formalize the partnership and secure funding for due diligence expenses related to the acquisition.

Supervisor Judd expressed support for the proposed initiative after careful consideration and study, resolving any initial concerns.

In response to the Board, Mr. Apel stated that Fort Huachuca through its cooperative agreement with the Nature Conservancy, is funding due diligence activities for acquiring a property along the San Pedro River for the Bisbee effluent recharge project.

Vice-Chairman Crosby called for the motion, and it was approved 2-1 (Crosby opposed).

Vice-Chairman Crosby adjourned the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

APPROVED:

Tom Crosby, Vice-Chairman

ATTEST:

Lara Loewenheim, Clerk of the Board