

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
WORK SESSION HELD ON  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2021**

A work session of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Executive Conference Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

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

Staff Present: Richard G. Karwaczka, County Administrator  
Sharon Gilman, Associate County Administrator  
Christine Roberts, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney  
Kim Lemons, Clerk of the Board  
Camila Rochin, Public Information Officer

Attendees: Marty Haverty, Public Works Director  
Jackie Watkins, Engineering & Natural Resources Director  
Joaquin Solis, Engineering & Natural Resources Assistant Director  
Teresa Murphy, Right-of-way Agent  
Teresa Garcia, Engineering Technician  
Mark Apel, Environmental Projects Coordinator  
Keith Buonocore, Finance Director  
Bradley Simmons, Civil Engineer II

Chairman English called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

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

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

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**Work Sessions are a time for County staff to inform and discuss agenda items with the Board of Supervisors and public comments will not be taken.**

***INTRODUCTIONS***

***ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION***

**Board of Supervisors**

1. Discussion and Possible Direction regarding the County's Strategic Plan, Priority 7, Infrastructure Management and Development:
  - Engineering and Natural Resources 5-Year Project Plan; and,
  - Current Projects Updates

Ms. Watkins presented this item using a PowerPoint presentation. She explained how Highway User Revenue Funds (HURF) are collected; how the Public Works (PW), and Engineering & Natural Resources (ENR) departments use those funds; and summarized the duties of ENR staff.

Ms. Watkins listed the HURF projects for fiscal years 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26. All included culvert construction. Other projects listed included road reconstruction, design concepts, several types of surface treatments and chipseal, right-of-way (ROW) acquisitions, and in-house roadway design. She highlighted specific roads and what phase of the process they are in. She spoke of the projected costs and revenues and the need to use grant funding because the cost exceeds the ENR's 5-year budget that was outlined. She added 4 million dollars is earmarked for Davis Road from Representative Kirkpatrick's efforts, but receipt is at least six months in the future.

Chairman English stated the importance of the Southeastern Arizona Governments Organization (SEAGO) because transportation projects must go through them as regulated by the State.

Ms. Watkins continued with the Flood Control District (FCD). She explained how monies are collected and allocated to the FCD that regulates development with the County; the National Flood Insurance Policy (NFIP) Community Rating System (CRS) that provides a 5% discount on flood insurance policies within the County; how the Automated Local Evaluation in Real Time (ALERT) Stations assist in flood warnings and monitoring stations for recharge projects; and outlined FCD staff duties. Staff is currently updating flood policies that will be brought to the Board.

Ms. Watkins listed the FCD projects for fiscal years 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26. Those projects included design, ROW, recharge, drainage channel construction and maintenance. Again, she spoke of the projected costs and revenues with the costs exceeding the FCD's 5-year budget that was outlined.

After Design Concept Reports (DCR) are completed for the larger projects, the department will hold public meetings for input and bring recommendations back to the Board for direction.

Chairman English thanked staff for having "shovel ready" projects in place to take advantage of federal grant programs.

Chairman English adjourned the meeting at 11:58 a.m.

APPROVED:

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Ann English, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Kim Lemons, Clerk of the Board