



**Zone 2A – Petaluma River Watershed
Flood Protection Zone Advisory Committee Meeting
August 14, 2025**

Meeting Minutes

General notes: This was a regular meeting of the Flood Protection Zone 2A Advisory Committee (Committee). The meeting was held in-person at the City of Petaluma office at 1318 Redwood Way, Suite 120, Petaluma, CA 94954. Candace Messner recorded minutes.

Attendees:

- Committee: Bob Martin, Emma Mann (Committee Vice Chair), Mike Healy (Committee Chair), and Karen Nau.
- City of Petaluma: Chelsea Thompson, Dannielle Favela, Gina Benedetti-Petnic, Jason Archer, and Pamela Tuft.
- Penngrove Plan Advisory Committee: Rick Savel.
- Sonoma Resource Conservation District: Aaron Fairbrook.
- Sonoma Water: Candace Messner, Carlos Diaz, Chase Takajo, and Kent Gylfe.
- Public: Bob, Sharon, and Steve.

Agenda:

1. Opening and Introductions.

Chair Healy called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. Opening comments and self-introductions were given by attendees. The Committee quorum was present.

2. Public Comment.

Public comment on agenda items was opened.

Speakers: None.

3. Previous Committee Meeting Minutes.

The Committee approved the April 17, 2025 meeting minutes as submitted.

4. Overview of Modern Flood Protection Efforts.

Carlos Diaz presented an overview of flood protection activities, modeling, and studies completed by Sonoma Water within the Petaluma River Watershed since 2003. The presentation also summarized ongoing flood-related challenges and opportunities.

The presentation was discussed by attendees, and the slides are on file.

Committee action: informational only.



5. Flood Mapping and Sea Level Rise.

Gina Benedetti-Petnic presented an overview of the City of Petaluma's latest storm and sea level rise modeling, FEMA flood mapping updates, General Plan Framework for Flood Resiliency, and upcoming floodplain management initiatives.

The presentation was discussed by attendees, and the slides are on file.

Committee action: informational only.

6. Flood Reports and Comments.

Reports by Sonoma Water, City of Petaluma, and Committee members was opened.

Speakers: None.

7. Public Comment.

Public comment on non-agenda items was opened.

Speakers: None.

8. Closing and Adjourn.

Closing comments were made by attendees. Mike Healy adjourned the meeting at 3:13 p.m.