



**Zone 1A – Laguna de Santa Rosa/Mark West Creek Watershed
Flood Protection Zone Advisory Committee Meeting
April 3, 2024**

Meeting Minutes

General notes: This was a special meeting of the Flood Protection Zone 1A Advisory Committee (Committee). The meeting was held in-person at Sonoma Water’s administration office at 404 Aviation Boulevard, Santa Rosa, CA 95403. Chase Takajo facilitated the meeting and Candace Messner recorded minutes.

Public notice of the meeting and the meeting agenda were posted at the following locations and dates:

- Sonoma County Clerk-Recorder on March 27, 2024,
- Sonoma County Board of Supervisors Clerk of the Board on March 27, 2024,
- Sonoma Water’s website on March 28, 2024,
- Press Democrat newspaper on March 30, 2024.

Notice of the meeting was also posted on Sonoma Water’s social media on March 30, 2024 including Facebook, Instagram, Nextdoor, and X (formally Twitter).

Attendees:

Committee:

- Paul Lockwood (District 1),
- Arthur Deicke (District 4),
- Justin Brandt (City of Rohnert Park authorized alternate), and
- Claire Myers (City of Santa Rosa authorized alternate).

City of Cotati: Henry Babits.

City of Santa Rosa: Elise Miller and Flannery Banks.

Sonoma Resource Conservation District: Jessica Pollitz.

Sonoma Water: Aaron Fulton, Andrea Rodriguez, Candace Messner, Carlos Diaz, Chase Takajo, Dale Roberts, and Sasha Ponomareva.

Absent Committee Members: City of Cotati, City of Sebastopol, and Town of Windsor.

Agenda:

1. **Opening/Introductions.** Chase Takajo called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. Attendees self-introduced. The Committee quorum was not present.
2. **Public Comment on Agenda Items.** No public comments. Sonoma Water announced that the order of agenda items 4 and 5 would be switched. Arthur Deicke indicated that having

more than one annual Committee meeting, and receiving mid-year project updates, would be helpful.

3. **Approval of Meeting Minutes.** Due to the lack of a quorum, a vote to approve previous meeting minutes was not held.
4. **Hydrologic and Hydraulic Modeling for the Central Sonoma Watershed Project (CSWP).** Aaron Fulton presented an overview of recent modeling updates and calibration results for the CSWP and Matanzas Dam Rehabilitation Project. The purpose/need, current status, implementation challenges, and relation with the City of Santa Rosa's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Risk Remapping Project were also described. A brief discussion followed the presentation. The presentation slides are on file.
5. **FEMA Flood Risk Remapping Project.** Claire Meyers and Flannery Banks presented an overview of the project, which will assess current flood risks and produce and adopt an updated FEMA flood map for the City of Santa Rosa area. The project purpose, impacts, benefits, process, and timeline were described. A brief discussion followed the presentation. The presentation slides are on file.
6. **Countywide Flood Risk Management Assessment.** Sasha Ponomareva presented an overview of the project, which will identify gaps in flood risk services across Sonoma County and develop recommendations for a more comprehensive and integrated countywide flood management and adaptation strategy. The project goals, participating agencies, funding sources, findings to date, next steps, and schedule were described. A brief discussion followed the presentation. The presentation slides are on file.
7. **Reports and Comments by Committee and Sonoma Water.** None.
8. **Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items.** None.
9. **Next Meeting and Adjourn.** The next regular meeting is planned for December 2024, date and time to be announced. Chase Takajo adjourned the meeting at 2:19 p.m.