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OCTOBER FLOOD REPORT

When we met at the West Valley Fire Hall on August 30th we promised a regular update of work on flood repairs and mitigation. Attached you will find a list of the mitigation projects we are designing from Anderson-Montgomery Engineers and the repair work that is anticipated or has been completed by the County. Most of the completed work is simply repairing the flood damage that occurred so we can maintain the traffic on county roads. Re-opening Lincoln Gulch Road was a fairly major project repairing a road that was completely cut in two.

In the Helena valley we installed a new culvert under Alfalfa Road at Green Meadow Drive with help from the MDOT. We cleaned many loads of debris from Ten Mile Creek just west of the McHugh bridge and we just started a major drainage improvement project along the South side of Forestvale between Keir and Montana Avenue. After starting the Forestvale project we've found there is a considerable amount of utility work to be done in conjunction with the drainage construction.

We are investigating the potential utility conflicts at the other sites along Mill, McHugh and Sierra as well as the possible locations for relief on Silver Creek. We did receive a grant for a portion of the study area and are planning the extent of that study. A separate possible project is to address the sheet flooding to the Northwest of East Helena analyzing the causes and possible solutions.

We will look for a time in early December to see if it makes sense to have another public meeting at that point.

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