

**VALLEY FLOOD COMMITTEE (VFC)
MEETING MINUTES HELD May 31, 2012**

Members present: Harold Begger, Les Harris, Archie Harper, Sharlene LaRance

Item 1: Flood Kiosk: Ray Read was not present; this topic will be discussed in the future.

Item 2: Archie Harper:

- (1) Eroding segments of Tenmile Creek: Les Harris and Archie looked at an area near where Les lives (Menlo Park road; east side of McHugh at Tenmile Creek). They conducted a streambed erosion walk through. A quick analysis determined that there is overgrowth of vegetation in the creek (bushes, shrubs, trees). Archie shared stream flow dynamics (how a stream meanders). About 50 feet of the stream wants to bend but Les does not want it to. Archie suggested that Les contact stream consultants to see how to use deep-rooted plants to prevent potential erosion. This will require a permit w/probably a narrative and maybe drawings. Possibly adjacent neighbors may help pay for this information.
- (2) Discussion on Committee mission: We need to be specific as to our mission which is to deal with flood issues. When approached by groups to aid in some project, need to be sure it is in line with the mission.
- (3) Input on Weather Warnings public meeting: Gina Loss presented the National Weather Service's Advanced Hydrologic Prediction Service (AHPS). Archie thought it was a useful tool.
- (4) Garbage in Forestvale ditch: We noticed that the rocks have been moved and are stacked around the culvert inlet. We will contact Derek to see how that got resolved.

Item 3: Commissioner Brown's comments: We went through the comments and had a question about the size of the culvert going under Montana at the intersection w/Forestvale and Les questioned the capacity of the culvert. Sharlene agreed to contact Anderson-Montgomery for the information. (On June 1st, I did talk w/Paul Montgomery – he says the culvert is a 42-inch corrugated pipe, 208 feet long, with a capacity of 40 CFS.)

Item 4: Miscellaneous Discussion: Les suggested that we have Anderson-Montgomery make a presentation at one of our fall meetings to update us on the progress of the flood mitigation. Sharlene said she would follow through on that. (When talking w/Paul Montgomery he said they would be happy to do a presentation. We should get approval from Derek Brown first (since they are under contract to the County) and then let Paul know the date and that we do have County approval.)

Item 5: Next meeting date: Since only 4 people showed for this meeting, we agreed that we could probably skip a few meetings. We talked about the August 28 Watershed Festival and if it was our role to build a booth and obtain literature for the booth. In looking back at the notes, we thought we were volunteering to man a booth – not build a booth, etc. Sharlene said she would follow through with Kathy Moore and that would determine if we need a meeting. (In a June 1 telecon with Kathy, Jennifer McBroom and Sharlene, we agreed that they would provide the booth and the literature, and we would provide people to man the booth.) With that agreement, we need to have a meeting to discuss the timeframes for the 7 people that signed up to man the booth and make time assignments. The next meeting will be July 26

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