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SUPPLEMENT TO 8/21/06 MPWMD BOARD PACKET

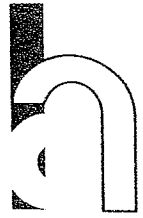
Attached are copies of letters received between July 17, 2006 and August 11, 2006. These letters are also listed in the August 21, 2006 Board packet under item 14, Letters Received.

Author	Addressee	Date	Topic
Alan Styles	David A. Berger	7/24/06	Formation of MPWMD Community Advisory Committee <i>8/2/06 Response from the General Manager attached</i>
Peter Hiller	Directors Potter and Foy	7/31/06	Request for Vegetation Clearing <i>8/7/06 Response from the General Manager attached</i>

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July 24, 2006

David A. Berger
General Manager
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District
5 Harris Court, Bldg. G
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Subject: Formation of MPWMD Community Advisory Committee

Dear Mr. Berger:

We understand that the Board of Directors of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District is forming an Advisory Committee.

On behalf of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Monterey I am requesting that the Housing Authority be placed on this committee. The Housing Authority will provide a unique perspective to this committee. We are the largest provider of affordable housing in the County serving over 5,500 low and moderate income families in the County. We manage over 1,500 housing units throughout the county and provide rental subsidies directly to private landlords for over 4,000 families, injecting over \$28 million dollars into the local economy annually.

Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alan Styles".

Alan Styles
Chair, Board of Commissioners

Mission Statement:

To provide, administer, and encourage quality affordable housing and related services to eligible residents of Monterey County.



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August 2, 2006

Alan Styles, Chair, Board of Commissioners
Housing Authority
County of Monterey
123 Rico Street
Salinas, CA 93907

Subject: Formation of MPWMD Community Advisory Committee

Dear Mr. Styles:

Thank you for the July 24, 2006, letter requesting that the Housing Authority be granted membership on the proposed Community Advisory Committee (CAC). I am unable to advise you at this time if the Housing Authority will be invited to participate on the committee. The MPWMD Board of Directors has not yet established the committee, its composition and scope of responsibility. Your letter will be provided to the Board for their consideration.

You are welcome to attend a public meeting of the Board's Public Outreach Committee (POC) on August 7, 2006, at 10 AM for a discussion on development of a charge for the CAC. Community based organizations (CBOs) that expressed interest in participating on the CAC have been invited. The purpose of the meeting is for the POC to hear from the community organizations about their vision for the committee. The POC will develop a proposed committee charge and define membership guidelines based on the discussion. Attached is an agenda and packet of materials for the meeting. I hope that you are able to attend.

You may be interested to know that the coalition of Homeless Services Providers is one of the CBOs that expressed interest in serving on this committee.

Again, thank you for writing to me on this subject. If you have any questions about the August 7, 2006 meeting or the proposed CAC, please contact Arlene Tavani, my Executive Assistant at 658-5652 or Arlene@mpwmd.dst.ca.us.

Sincerely,

David A. Berger
General Manager

cc: MPWMD Board of Directors
Stephanie Pintar

Attachments

July 31, 2006

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Dear Supervisor David Potter,

- MR. FOY

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I am writing as a citizen and homeowner of a house in the unincorporated part of Carmel at the mouth of the Carmel Valley – specifically the Mission Fields area. We were in our house during the flooding of the 1990's and it is in this regard that I write.

Enclosed you will find two photos of the current state of vegetation on the Carmel River as seen from the Hwy 1 bridge – both east and west. The photos were taken on the morning of July 25, 2006.

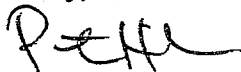
As a homeowner in the flood plan I have learned to be cautious. I know that the availability of the old artichoke fields on the south side of the river have helped prevent at least two potential floods in the Mission Fields area in recent years. However I do not want to totally depend on that area as a solution.

My current concern is the overgrowth of vegetation that exists on both sides of the riverbank, reaching into the river channel. As you can see from the photos the river channel has been choked to less the 50% of what it was in recent years. This vegetation poses a potential hazard in terms of impeding the flow of the river and creating potential of blockages during high flow that can cause backup and overflow into surrounding areas – to say nothing of the fire hazard and hidden areas it provides for transients.

My hope is that you will look into the possibility of trimming the growth back to keep an open river channel. I have seen first hand what happens when the water flow is hampered including seeing the destruction of the original Hwy 1 Bridge. I don't want there to be future problems, which could, with a little preventative maintenance, be prevented.

Thank you for your consideration,

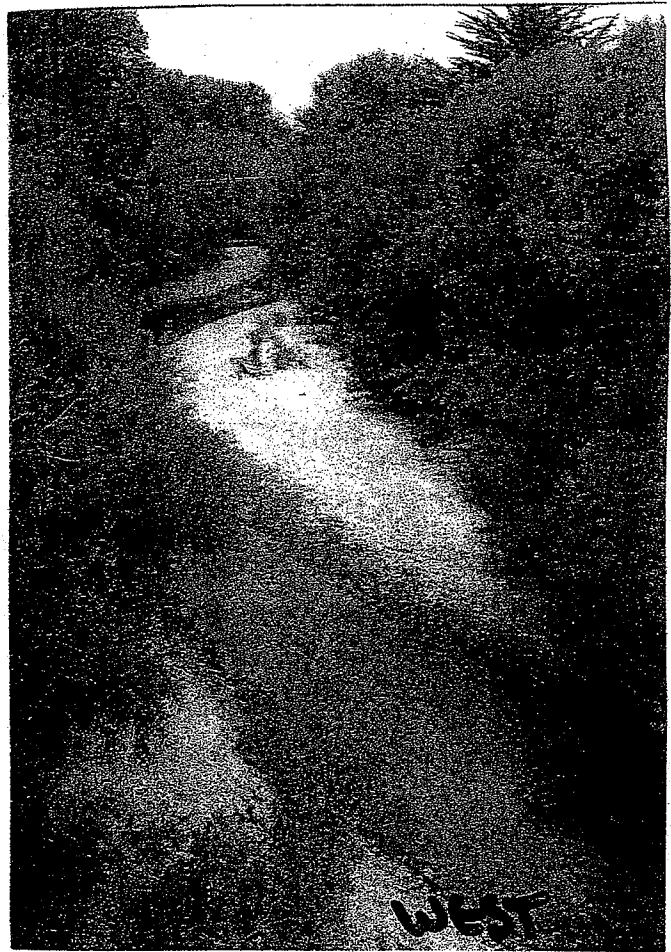
Sincerely,



Peter Hiller

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cc: Mr. Larry Foy
Mr. Curtis Weeks
Mr. Andrew Bell





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August 7, 2006

Mr. Peter Hiller
26541 Willow Place
Carmel, CA 93923-9009

Subject: Request for Vegetation Clearing

Dear Mr. Hiller:

This will serve to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 31, 2006 requesting that the District consider trimming back overgrown vegetation on the banks of the Carmel River near Highway 1 Bridge. I appreciate your bringing this matter to the District's attention. Because I'm not presently familiar with the subject matter you describe, I have referred your letter to our District Engineer, Andy Bell, for analysis and comment. You can expect that I will write you again in approximately two weeks with our response; or I will provide you an estimate of when I'll be able to do so if the substance of your letter requires additional time for response.

Again, thank you for writing to me on this subject.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D.A. Berger".

David A. Berger
General Manager

Cc: MPWMD Board of Directors
Andy Bell
Larry Hampson