



**Albuquerque Metropolitan  
Arroyo Flood Control Authority  
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**1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

Chair Thomson called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. Thursday, June 22, 2017. Roll was noted as follows:

Directors present: Chair Bruce M. Thomson  
Director Ronald D. Brown  
Director Tim Eichenberg  
Director Deborah L. Stover  
Director Cynthia D. Borrego – arrived at 10:30 a.m.

Directors excused: None

Attorney present: Attorney Randy Autio, Robles, Rael & Anaya

Others present: Jerry M. Lovato, P.E., Executive Engineer  
Staff

A quorum was present.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

Director Eichenberg asked that **Item 11. FY 18 AMAFCA Equipment and Fleet Procurements – Authorization to Acquire** be moved to the Regular agenda.

Director Eichenberg made a motion to approve the agenda, as amended. Director Stover seconded the motion, which passed unanimously (5-0).

**3. Meetings Scheduled**

- a. July 27, 2017, 10:00 a.m. – Regular Meeting**
- b. August 24, 2017, 10:00 a.m. – Regular Meeting**
- c. September 28, 2017, 10:00 a.m. – Regular Meeting**

There were no changes made to the dates listed.

**4. Items from the Floor/Public Comments**

Mr. Keith Meyer and Mr. Jim Wible, Real Estate Investors with NAI Maestas and Ward, addressed the Board regarding questions in the Volcano Heights area. When will AMAFCA be designing the dam and / or purchase of property for the dam, is a Master Plan completed, will

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AMAFCA be communicating to the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority (ABCWUA) the plans for the dam, and what is the Master Plan for the Amole Dam off of Unser. Responding to the questions, Mr. Lovato stated the AMAFCA Board had approved the Drainage Master Plan (DMP) for the Upper Piedras Marcadas (UPMDMP), which includes four regional ponds. The projects associated with UPMDMP are important to AMAFCA and were included in the review of Region 1 of the AMAFCA Project Schedule. The City of Albuquerque (CoA) has land near an existing pond along Unser in the Volcano Cliffs area. An extension of the existing pond with the CoA property may require a modification to be submitted to the Office of the State Engineer. Additional land has not been purchased for the regional ponds to date; the Board had requested that the land be donated and AMAFCA would build the regional ponds. There was a brief discussion regarding development in the area. AMAFCA had done what they can in the area; however, when meeting with CoA, developers were informed it is an AMAFCA problem and not CoA's. Mr. Meyer and Mr. Wible confirmed that was what they had been told and it was stated that the ABCWUA had also advised that they were on hold and will not do anything until AMAFCA develops plans for the area. Mr. Lovato stated that AMAFCA does regional drainage facilities and that the CoA is responsible for the system of internal ponds and pipes that would connect to the regional facilities. AMAFCA originally got involved in the area due to concerns that additional flows would overwhelm downstream facilities and damage properties downstream; to reduce costs ABCWUA would put in pipes after AMAFCA puts in storm drain (blasting and removing basalt rock). AMAFCA does not put in pipes. It was stated that CoA Municipal Development and the ABCWUA are aware they would need to spend massive amounts of money to fix and / or expand their system (due to the basalt rock in the area); and it is up to local developers to handle the rest. Mr. Meyer stated that landowners pay what they are responsible for and after a year, AMAFCA had not proceeded, so no one proceeds. The Board reminded everyone that AMAFCA knew about the issue over 20 years ago when CoA did the project at the Golf Course and Paradise to address the diversion of water out of the upper Piedras Marcadas watershed. Mr. Lovato stated the Amole Dam lost approximately 180 to 200 acre feet of storage when CoA cut in a channel below the top of the dam pool. The Amole del Norte channel does not work as designed once water is in the channel; it fails and spills. AMAFCA with a Bohannon Huston, Inc. (BHI) feasibility study has found that a modification to the Hubbell Dam (to add 900 + acre-feet of storage) would address deficiencies in the Hubbell, Amole, and Borrega Dam facilities. The extension of Hubbell Dam will require property from the CoA. Another option would be to purchase land east of Coors (100 to 120 acres) to be used as a trade with the CoA. Responding on how to follow the process of the project everyone was reminded to either attend the Board meetings or read the Board minutes which are posted on the website. The Board thanked Mr. Meyer and Mr. Wible for coming to the Board meeting.

### **5. Approval of Minutes**

#### **a. May 25, 2017**

Chair Thomson asked that the following corrections be made: Item 5, page 2, last line, change compete to complete; page 9, Item 17 d, third line, add feet after 30 acres; and page 10, Item 19 b, add wording to the question from Chair Thomson to read "regarding delay on the Telemetry Project." Director Borrego made a motion to approve the minutes of May 25, 2017, as amended. Director Brown seconded the motion, which passed (5-0).

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### **6. Financial Matters**

#### **a. FY 17 Budget to Actual**

Mr. Herman Chavez, AMAFCA Finance and Administration Manager, summarized information provided in the memo. He pointed out that the graph presented changed slightly due to a recent tax payment received. With the payment AMAFCA would end FY-2017 slightly shy of \$3.7M. This is a little above FY-2016 levels, above budget, and a positive outcome considering the reduction in Mill Levy rates that the State had imposed on AMAFCA. Responding to a question from Chair Thomson regarding no charges for Stormwater Quality in the month of May, Mr. Chavez stated it is a timing issue due to payments in May from April work and May invoices being processed and paid in the later part of June.

#### **b. AMAFCA Cash & Investments**

Mr. Herman Chavez, AMAFCA Finance and Administration Manager, summarized information provided in the memo. He stated that the month ended with approximately \$51M in investments with the State Treasurers office. Responding to a question from Director Borrego on a list of investments, Mr. Chavez stated that AMAFCA's cash is at Wells Fargo Bank, and 100% of the investments are in the Local Government Investment Pool (LGIP); however, the funds are safe, liquid, and AMAFCA can access monies within 24 hours. He further stated that AMAFCA does not receive a list of the various investments. Responding to a question from Chair Thomson, Mr. Chavez stated the available funds jumped by \$12M due to the proceeds received from the previous Bond sale.

#### **c. Approval of May 2017 Expenditures**

Mr. Herman Chavez, AMAFCA Finance and Administration Manager, summarized information provided in the memo. There were no questions.

Director Brown made a motion to approve the May 2017 Expenditure Report. Director Stover seconded the motion, which passed (4-0). Director Eichenberg was not present during this item.

#### **d. Financial Position Recap May 16, 2017 through June 15, 2017 & Forecast June 16, 2017 through July 15, 2017**

Mr. Herman Chavez, AMAFCA Finance and Administration Manager, summarized information provided in the memo. He stated that the Forecast had been close due to the fact that Bernalillo County (BernCo) started posting the property tax distributions on-line which comes out right before the Board mailout.

Director Brown made a motion that the Board approve the Financial Forecast. Director Stover seconded the motion, which passed (4-0). Director Eichenberg was not present during this item.

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**e. Fiscal Agent Funds – Proof of Cash and Savings**

Mr. Herman Chavez, AMAFCA Finance and Administration Manager, summarized information provided in the memo. There were no questions.

**f. Acceptance of Inventories**

Mr. Herman Chavez, AMAFCA Finance and Administration Manager, summarized information provided in the memo. He stated that the items from a theft in the AMAFCA yard had been deleted from the inventory and a police report had been obtained.

Director Brown made a motion that the Board accept the Inventories as presented. Director Stover seconded the motion, which passed (5-0). Director Eichenberg returned to the meeting during this item.

**g. Certification of FY-2018 Interim Budget**

Mr. Herman Chavez, AMAFCA Finance and Administration Manager, summarized information provided in the memo. There were no questions.

**h. Declaration of Surplus Materials**

Mr. Herman Chavez, AMAFCA Finance and Administration Manager, summarized information provided in the memo. Responding to questions from Director Brown, Mr. Lovato stated there was approximately 180,000 cubic yards (cy) of additional sediment at the Tijeras Arroyo. There is a location at Tijeras to stockpile sediment. The Woodward site has an excess of approximately 25,000 to 30,000 cy that is spilling outside the right-of-way. There was a brief discussion regarding the cost savings to have a contractor remove at their expense as opposed to spending AMAFCA monies to remove. Responding to a question from Chair Thomson, Mr. Chavez stated that once the available sediment has been depleted the sediment removal request would be removed and no longer available. He further stated that the Board would be kept updated as part of the Executive Engineer's Report. Responding to a question from Director Brown, Mr. Lovato acknowledged that this would only be in effect for those areas above capacity.

Director Brown made a motion that the Board grant the Executive Engineer the ability to Declare Excess Sediment / Materials at any site which reaches capacity and negotiate for the removal of such materials when it is deemed a financial benefit to AMAFCA. Director Stover seconded the motion, which passed (5-0).

**i. Approval of "Exhibit A," Resolution 2006-08, Reimbursement for AMAFCA Goods and Services**

Mr. Herman Chavez, AMAFCA Finance and Administration Manager, summarized information provided in the memo. Responding to a question from Director Brown regarding sediment, Mr. Chavez stated that the vast majority of sediment sales was from a contractor who had paid for

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25,000 cubic yards of sediment at one location. Responding to a question from Director Stover, Mr. Chavez confirmed that film licenses are granted for \$1K, per day.

Director Brown made a motion that the Board approve "Exhibit A" of Resolution 2006-8, Reimbursement for AMAFCA Goods and Services. Director Borrego seconded the motion, which passed (5-0).

### 7. Legal

Attorney Randy Autio stated the first day of deposition for the Trails Litigation was long and went very slow. Many questions asked at the June deposition had predated Mr. Lovato's arrival. Another deposition date had been set up for July. Responding to questions from the Board, Mr. Autio stated that legal counsel does represent both current and former AMAFCA Executive Director(s), prep work is involved, over 300,000 documents were collected for review, there was a dispute on how much each party would pay (CoA, AMAFCA, The Trails, and KB Homes), and the matter was settled. Responding to a question from Director Eichenberg, Mr. Autio stated that it is unlikely AMAFCA will be brought back into this case as it is common to bring everything for Claim Preclusion purposes that is relevant to the case at the time of the lawsuit. Responding to questions from Director Eichenberg, Mr. Lovato stated Wilson and Company was responsible for construction management of the Boca Negra Dam, a modification done during the construction, which was submitted and approved by the State Engineer, and other items identified within the construction management services. Attorney Autio stated that only in extreme cases (fraud, deceit, etc.) does it open the door for another lawsuit. AMAFCA's mission is pretty clear and would be shown during the deposition(s).

### 8. Executive Engineer's Report

#### a. Notification of Past Month's Activities

Mr. Jerry Lovato, AMAFCA Executive Engineer, Mr. Lovato highlighted significant activities from the past month:

- **Kirtland Air Force Base (KAFB) Drainage at Gibson and Louisiana:** AMAFCA continues to meet with KAFB staff to address security concerns. KAFB staff had gone over and beyond expectations on attempting to get this project up and running. The ad for the security fence was cancelled and the ad for the outfall pipe was postponed due to the requirement for a 25-year lease prior to any work being done.
- **University of New Mexico (UNM) North Golf Course:** AMAFCA is waiting on the draft agreement from BernCo to fund the construction of the project and delegate maintenance responsibilities. There are stockpiled materials at the location which would be utilized as soon as the project can start.
- **AMAFCA Yard Break In:** The AMAFCA security fence was breached and the AMAFCA box trailer was broken into. Small tools and two chain saws were stolen. The fence had been repaired, tools replaced, and a police report was filed. Responding to a question

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from Director Eichenberg, Mr. Lovato stated the AMAFCA yard is not monitored after hours and the police had advised a camera would only be good after the fact. Once the Telemetry Project is up and running a camera can be turned back down onto the facility. He further stated a motion detector and / or another form of security device may be added inside the fence.

### **b. Notification of On-Call Services Task Orders**

Mr. Lovato referred to the memo for task orders that had been issued the prior month. There were no questions.

Chair Thomson stated that agenda **Items 9 and 10** were on the Consent Agenda. Director Brown made a motion that the Board accept the items on the Consent Agenda. The motion taken approved the following:

- Authorize the Chief Procurement Officer to advertise construction bids for the Valle de Oro Second Street Flood Control Project; and
- Authorize out of state travel and expenses for the AMAFCA Field Engineer to attend the Association of State Dam Safety Officials Soil Mechanics for Earth Dam Design and Analysis Course, July 25 – July 29, 2017, in Denver, Colorado, not to exceed \$2875.00.

Director Stover seconded the motion, which passed (5-0).

Item 11 was moved to the Regular Agenda earlier in the meeting.

### **11. FY 18 AMAFCA Equipment and Fleet Procurements – Authorization to Acquire**

Mr. Nolan Bennett AMAFCA Field Engineer, summarized information provided in the memo. Responding to a comment from Director Eichenberg regarding approving an expenditure when the Budget had not been approved yet, Mr. Chavez stated that there is currently a 60 day lead and the sooner the purchase is approved the sooner AMAFCA can place the order and get the equipment. Responding to a question from Chair Thomson on what vehicles would be replaced, Mr. Bennett stated that all vehicles in the AMAFCA fleet are utilized heavily. The crew uses an older truck for herbicide deployment, an old dump truck is used to pull trailers which is not the appropriate use, and Unit 101, with over 170,000 miles, is utilized for staff to use for field visits, meetings, etc.

Director Brown made a motion that the Board authorize the Executive Engineer to purchase two vehicles. Director Stover seconded the motion, which passed (4-1). Director Eichenberg voted no.

### **12. Miscellaneous AMAFCA Construction Project 2017 – Authorization to Award**

Mr. Herman Chavez, AMAFCA Finance and Administration Manager, summarized information provided in the memo. He stated that during the State Audit Rule training in April 2017 it was noted that the State Auditor is requiring documentation of procurement purchases. The Miscellaneous AMAFCA Construction Project 2017 is the first project to be approved since the

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Audit Rule training had taken place. With that being said, it is not known which AMAFCA staff member would present the approved procurement to the Board; Chief Procurement Officer or Project Manager. Responding to a comment and question from Director Brown regarding the number of bidders, Mr. Chavez stated that Pate Construction bid for the project since it fit within their schedule. Mr. Bennett stated he had spoken with a lot of contractors and they had informed him they were interested, but were very busy. Responding to a question from Director Borrego, Mr. Chavez explained what a roll off station is and how it would be used.

Director Borrego made a motion that the Board accept Pate Construction Company as the lowest responsible bidder and authorize the Chair to execute the contract with them for the construction of the Miscellaneous AMAFCA Construction Project 2017 in the amount of \$247,937.40, plus New Mexico Gross Receipts Tax. Director Stover seconded the motion, which passed (5-0).

### **13. Kirtland Air Force Base Drainage Facility Project – Update**

Mr. Jerry Lovato, AMAFCA Executive Engineer, summarized information provided in the memo. A visit from an attorney based in Washington, DC with the Air Force Real Estate Division came out to review the project. A lease had been received by AMAFCA and had been sent to legal counsel. There are approximately 43 acres (selling \$100K an acre = \$4.3M) that KAFB will provide for the project. KAFB did request that water from one subdivision be brought into the facility, a certain road be utilized, and the removal of a slump block wall near the utility area. The removal of the slump box wall would be away from existing sanitary sewer / utilities and would remove possible areas for people to hide. The project is estimated to cost \$900K and staff had thought it could be done in-house with BernCo assistance; however, this is not an option due to workloads and the delay with the lease, etc. Responding to a question from Director Brown, Mr. Lovato stated KAFB has a Master Plan for the area; however it is approximately 20-years from now. There are other concerns on KAFB such as the extension of Gibson Boulevard and projects on the Tijeras Arroyo. He further stated that KAFB is interested in partnering with AMAFCA on projects for the Tijeras Arroyo. Responding to a question from Chair Thomson regarding site remediation water lines, Mr. Lovato stated AMAFCA is aware of the lines and provided location information for the Board and members of the audience. The amount of flood flow is 595 cubic feet per second (cfs) and when the diversion is installed, it will increase to 925 cfs. Flows into the north pond will be collected and brought down to 10 cfs. Flows from KAFB will decrease from 925+ cfs to less than 20 cfs once the new regional drainage facility is constructed. Flows in the Gibson / Katheryn storm drain will change from pressured pipe conditions to unpressurized conditions, which will allow some of the drainage inlets to flow more efficiently.

### **14. Agreement for Design, Construction and Construction Engineering Services for Agency and Area-Wide Flood Control Maintenance Contract – Agreement Update Discussion**

Mr. Nolan Bennett AMAFCA Field Engineer, summarized information provided in the memo. He stated former AMAFCA Field Engineer, Mr. Kurt Wagener, was present. Responding to a question from Chair Thomson regarding the major changes in the contract, Mr. Lovato stated that it would be comparing apples to oranges, based on the fact the original agreement was done 10 years ago and the new agreement will initiate a completely different program. He further

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stated that AMAFCA is looking at a regional plan and a rehabilitation program. The agreement could help with economic development purposes and help other agencies move forward while maintaining facilities. The older agreement addressed items for CoA, NMDOT, etc. The program standards could be tied into the Stormwater Quality and the Cooperative Agreements. Responding to a question from Chair Thomson on when the agreement will be brought back to the Board, Mr. Bennett stated that AMAFCA would like to discuss the Area Wide Agreement with potential partners. AMAFCA staff and AMAFCA legal counsel have been trying to make the agreement flexible and enable it to be utilized effectively. When dealing with large entities (State, CoA) the contracting mechanisms can take months and even years to work out. It is not the intent for AMAFCA to say yes to everyone who presents a project; it needs to be beneficial to AMAFCA and the Region. Attorney Autio stated the agreement would be available to any partner in the AMAFCA region that had a project that could not be done on their end due to current funding. It would describe what would be required from each entity, so they know ahead of time what to expect. Responding to a comment from Director Borrego pertaining to a discussion she had with a gentleman who participated in the Monsoon Awareness event stating the Village of Tijeras (VoT) / Carnuel area was not part of AMAFCA, Mr. Bennett stated that VoT could fit as a partner since they drain into an AMAFCA facility and AMAFCA could provide some guidance and expertise. Attorney Autio stated that the smaller communities could qualify for different State funds such as the Community Service Block Grant, but may not be able to implement a program with their own staff, but could work with AMAFCA to get the work done. Mr. Kurt Wagener stated that VoT was involved in the Mitigation Plan discussions done with BernCo and CoA; however, he had not been notified that the VoT had signed off on the Mitigation Plan. Chair Thomson encouraged staff to move forward.

### **15. Stormwater Quality**

#### **a. Urban Waters Funding – USGS Project – Initial Discussion**

Mr. Jerry Lovato, AMAFCA Executive Engineer, summarized information provided in the memo. He stated that while there was not a great working relationship with the United States Geological Survey (USGS) a few years ago they now have new staff on board. He stated that a water quality / quantity project could be worked into the Valle de Oro National Wildlife Refuge (VdO) along with the BernCo Project on south 2nd Street. By partnering with USGS, AMAFCA would have additional analysis data for storm water quality to report to the AMAFCA Board and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Responding to a question and comment from Director Eichenberg on funding from BernCo, Mr. Lovato stated that he is comfortable that BernCo could help with funding over the five year period. He stressed that the scope of work will need to be reviewed and there would be a bump in the first year due to equipment purchases, etc. Responding to a question from Chair Thomson on funding, Mr. Lovato stated \$717K was available nationally, with \$200K designated for Albuquerque, New Mexico. Currently the funding is a one-time funded project; however, BernCo came to the table stating they were interested in getting this program started. The Board agreed that the project would fit into the VdO project, purchases will be done in the first year, and a benefit would not be seen in one year, but over time. The Board agreed to move forward with drafting an agreement.



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**b. Bear Arroyo Pilot Projects - Update**

Mr. Jerry Lovato, AMAFCA Executive Engineer, summarized information provided in the memo. He covered the locations for the Board and members of the audience stating that CoA had cleaned up the area of trash and debris. Certain access points were looked at to see how to maintain the Arroyo. He stated that Mr. Craig Hoover with BHI was present. Responding to a question from Director Brown, Mr. Lovato stated the composition of the channel would be earthen with drop structures modified to catch debris and to take full advantage of purged well water.

**16. Bernalillo County Joint Projects**

**a. Tower Road – Project Update**

Mr. Nolan Bennett, AMAFCA Field Engineer, summarized information provided in the memo. There were no questions.

**b. Sunset Road Reconstruction Project – Project Update**

Mr. Nolan Bennett, AMAFCA Field Engineer, summarized information provided in the memo. There were no questions.

**c. Ortega and Garduño Storm Drain Project – Project Update**

Mr. Nolan Bennett, AMAFCA Field Engineer, summarized information provided in the memo. Responding to a question from Chair Thomson, Mr. Bennett stated BernCo is the lead on the project.

**d. Southwest Valley Flood Reduction Project SWMM Model – Joint Project Discussion**

Mr. Nolan Bennett, AMAFCA Field Engineer, summarized information provided in the memo. He stated that Mr. Brad Catanach with BernCo was present. There were no questions.

**17. Update on Joint Projects**

**a. Montano Levee Project – Project Update**

Mr. Jerry Lovato, AMAFCA Executive Engineer, stated CoA had been approved for a \$7M grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). CoA is the grantee and BernCo, AMAFCA, and the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District (MRGCD) have partnered with CoA to get the project built. There is a 25/75 match with CoA putting half of the funding, with BernCo and AMAFCA putting up a quarter. MRGCD will not put money into the project, but will provide manpower, design, and manage the construction. MRGCD is in discussions with the CoA concerning maintenance of the levee once the project is complete. The FEMA grant year started in August 2015. The FEMA grant is valid for three years; therefore, due to timing of the award, the project has already lost a year. It is possible for the project to be designed and

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constructed concurrently with a 2019 start. Mr. Lovato covered the different options for the program and stated the US Army Corp of Engineers (USACE) advised that a 404 would not be needed since the area (outfall at the San Antonio) would be considered a habitat enhancement project. The US Forest Service and USACE are looking to fast track the project. Responding to questions from Chair Thomson on the need for an Environment Assessment and the role that USACE will have in the project, Mr. Lovato stated that he did receive clarification that the project will not require a federal decision; however, when public meetings occur and public comments come in, things could change. USACE will not have a role in the design or construction; only permitting the 404. There is an option to get the USACE involved with a certain part of the Montano Levee with the PL 99 program after it has been designed and construction has started; however, that would be done if the CoA would like to do it.

### **b. Montano Levee Project – Draft Funding Agreement Discussion**

Mr. Jerry Lovato, AMAFCA Executive Engineer, stated CoA is the fiscal agent. AMAFCA and BernCo will fund up front for the environmental portions and allow the CoA time to get ready for construction. Responding to questions from Director Eichenberg, Mr. Lovato stated that the total project is estimated at \$7M. 75% would be funded by FEMA (\$5,250K) and 25% would be funded by the CoA (\$1,750K). AMAFCA and BernCo would each provide 25% of the CoA share or \$437.5K each. The MRGCD will take care of construction in the form of in-kind services. Responding to questions from Director Borrego, Mr. Lovato stated construction near the San Antonio Outfall would start around January 2019. Construction will take approximately nine months to a year for completion. Mr. Lovato stated that BHI, BernCo, USACE, CoA, and AMAFCA worked very hard with FEMA to get the details for funding and other issues worked out.

### **c. Gibson, Louisiana to San Mateo, Flood Plain Reduction Project – Draft Funding Agreement Discussion**

Mr. Jerry Lovato, AMAFCA Executive Engineer, stated that by modifying the KAFB project to reduce flows in one direction would in turn reduce flows into the San Mateo Storm Drain. CoA will fund \$50K with a 50/50 split for the regional pond at San Mateo. CoA had requested a feasibility study for the area. Responding to a question from Chair Thomson on the location of the pond, Mr. Daggett with CoA stated it would be back in the neighborhood. Responding to a question from Director Borrego, Mr. Lovato stated that flooding will be helped west of the Caravan; however it will not alleviate flooding on Lomas.

## **18. AMAFCA Field Highlights**

### **a. Field Report**

Mr. Nolan Bennett, AMAFCA Field Engineer, gave a report of various projects and events over the last month.

The slides opened with wild turkey at the North Outfall and continued with slides of the current Colorado – New Mexico Region Extreme Precipitation Study Workshop where Kevin Troutman and Bradley Bingham were present. Numerous slides and drone pictures of Tijeras Access

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Control, Tijeras Sediment for the MRGCD, Montano Levee Gap, West I-40 Channel Phase IV, and Tower Road were presented. Responding to a question from Chair Thomson, Mr. Lovato stated sediment is stockpiled at the Amole Del Norte Channel. He further stated that when the large excavator is used the road is closed so they can navigate safely. Responding to a question from Director Brown regarding the Tijeras Arroyo, Mr. Bennett stated some slope areas go up to 30 feet while other areas are shallower. The presentation continued with various slides and videos of the North Pino Concrete Repair, Domingo Baca Water Quality Ponds, Agency and Area-Wide 2017 slides and videos, and numerous pictures of the Balloon Fiesta Park Pedestrian Bridge. Responding to a question from Chair Thomson regarding the AIBF Pedestrian Bridge project, Mr. Bennett stated the bridge is considered a pedestrian bridge, but it will be built so it can have vehicular traffic. The presentation continued with a drone picture and slides of the State Employees Credit Union, continued with various pictures of the Regional Extreme Precipitation Study, Pit Boss Alerts, and closed with slides of the Monsoon Awareness Press Release event.

### **b. Construction Report**

There was no discussion or questions on this item.

## **19. Real Estate**

### **a. North Albuquerque Acres Lot 5, Block 15, Tract 3, Unit 3 – Request for Quitclaim Deed / Release of Easement**

Mr. Jeffrey Willis, AMAFCA Real Estate Manager, summarized information provided in the memo. Responding to a question from Director Brown, Mr. Willis stated that when AMAFCA took over the easement in 1993 the policy was for a flow rate of 10 cfs and in 2000 it was changed to 30 cfs.

Director Brown made a motion that the Board authorize the Board Chair to execute the Quitclaim Deed / Release of Easement for Lot 5, Block 15, Tract 3, Unit 3, of North Albuquerque Acres. Director Stover seconded the motion, which passed (5-0).

## **20. AMAFCA CY 2018 – Project Schedule – Review of Region 2**

Mr. Jerry Lovato, AMAFCA Executive Engineer, summarized information provided in the memo. He stated most of Region 2 feeds the South and North Diversion Channels. All projects together total \$274M with 64 percent of the money addressing drainage deficiencies in neighborhoods and / or rehabilitation of existing flood control facilities. AMAFCA had looked at new projects including the Dallas Surge Pond (Regional facility), Hamilton Dam, Glendale Storm Drain, a DMP for flows coming off the Pueblo of Sandia, and LOMRs to reduce floodplain in certain areas. There are potential projects for storm water quality as well. AMAFCA has discussed future projects with the CoA and the New Mexico Department of Transportation. Responding to questions from Director Brown and Chair Thomson regarding properties on the North Diversion Channel, Mr. Lovato pointed out the parcel of property that AMAFCA purchased; covered the area that is Pueblo of Sandia; what BernCo is doing on Edith

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Boulevard to expand sewer; advised that the AIBF uses one of AMAFCA's gates; and, pointed out where the AIBF Pedestrian bridge is located. Responding to a question from Chair Thomson regarding the Dallas Storm Drain, Mr. Lovato stated that work will be on the Dallas Storm Drain Regional Pond (Caravan Site) to take out as much water from the Dallas Storm Drain as possible. Responding to a question from Chair Thomson on the projects and partners, Mr. Lovato confirmed that there were a number of partners (Pueblo of Sandia, KAFB, UNM) at one meeting to discuss projects in the Region and that Mr. Patrick Chavez, AMAFCA Storm Water Quality Engineer and BernCo added water quality benefits to the projects and ranked them in order to get credit from EPA.

**21. Unfinished Business**

None.

**23. New Business**

None.

**24. Adjourn**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair Thomson adjourned the meeting at 12:43 p.m.

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Ronald D. Brown, Secretary-Treasurer, 7/27/17

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