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**1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

Chairman Brown called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Thursday, April 21, 2005. Roll was noted as follows:

Directors present:	Chairman Ronald D. Brown Director Daniel Lyon Director Janet Saiers Director Danny Hernandez
Director absent:	Director Tim Eichenberg
Others present:	John Kelly, Executive Engineer Sam Bregman, Attorney Staff

A quorum was present.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

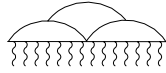
John Kelly, AMAFCA Executive Engineer, stated there were no changes to the agenda.

Director Hernandez made a motion to approve the agenda. Director Saiers seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**3. Meetings Scheduled**

- a. May 5, 2005, 8:30 a.m. – Special Meeting**
- b. May 26, 2005, 9:00 a.m. – Regular Meeting**
- c. June 23, 2005, 9:00 a.m. – Regular Meeting**
- d. August 11, 2005, 9:00 a.m. – Regular Meeting**

After discussion regarding the time of the Special Meeting, the Chairman moved the meeting on **May 5, 2005 to 8:15 a.m.** There were no other changes to the meeting schedule as set forth.



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**4. Approval of Minutes**

**a. March 24, 2005**

Director Saiers made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2005, Regular Board Meeting. Director Hernandez seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**b. March 30, 2005**

Director Saiers made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 30, 2005, Special Board Meeting. Director Hernandez seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**5. Financial Matters**

**a. Approval of March 2005 Expenditures**

Irene Jeffries, AMAFCA Business Manager, presented the March 2005 Expenditure Report. Director Saiers made a motion to approve the March 2005 Expenditure Report. Director Lyon seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**b. Investment Report**

For Information.

**c. Financial Recap March 16, 2005 through April 15, 2005**

For Information.

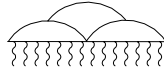
**d. Financial Forecast April 16, 2005 through May 15, 2005**

Ms. Jeffries presented the Financial Forecast for the period April 16, 2005 through May 15, 2005. Director Hernandez made a motion to approve the Financial Forecast. Director Saiers seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**6. Legal**

**a. Status Report**

Attorney Sam Bregman gave the Board a brief report on the status of various legal matters.



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Chairman Brown stated that, because of the number of guests present for items 8 through 10, he would defer item 7 until after item 11.

**8. Kinney Dam and North Domingo Baca Concrete Box Culvert**

**a. Approval of Second Amendment to Agreement with City of Albuquerque for Lower North Domingo Baca Dam and Community Park**

Mr. Kelly introduced Colleen Frenz, Landscape Architect with the City of Albuquerque; and John Castillo, Director of the City's Department of Municipal Development. Martin Eckert, Jr., AMAFCA Real Estate Manager, introduced Cliff and Sandra Richardson, neighbors of the Kinney Dam/Lower North Domingo Baca Park.

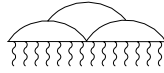
Mr. Eckert presented the Second Amendment to Agreement with City of Albuquerque for Lower North Domingo Baca Dam and Community Park. He stated that the original agreement had been signed in 1997. The amendment to the agreement had been prepared in accordance with comments received from the Board at the March 24, 2005 meeting.

Chairman Brown presented an overview of the history of the project, which began in 1992. He stated that, prior to 1992, the area had been covered with a fractured floodplain and was used as an illegal dump site. He stated that studies of the area revealed the need for a storm water detention dam in the area. Realizing that the City was planning a community park in the same vicinity, and that the land was then undervalued, AMAFCA purchased 44 acres in the floodplain, although it needed only 26 acres for the dam site and wing dikes. During this time, the City purchased additional lots for the park.

He stated that by 1995, AMAFCA and the City had developed a framework for the agreement that was signed in 1997. The 1997 agreement provided that the 18 acres that AMAFCA had purchased and landbanked would be sold to the City at cost plus 5% annual interest. The City had subsequently purchased all but three of these lots from AMAFCA.

Chairman Brown stated that this Second Amendment to the Agreement provided that 4 additional lots owned by AMAFCA, which were made surplus by the proposed underground box culvert, would be purchased by the City on the same basis as the prior lots: cost plus 5% annual interest. He stated that AMAFCA will retain all of the dam area including the benched area where a multipurpose field will be located, and the two lots south of the dam.

Chairman Brown invited comments from the audience. Sandra Richardson addressed the Board, stating her support for a park and community center. She asked if the City could defer payment for the four lots so that the community center could be built sooner.



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In response to Ms. Richardson's question, Director Hernandez stated that, due to AMAFCA's statutory requirement to do flood control, the most AMAFCA could do to support the community's recreational needs is to land bank and, where possible, allow multiple uses of its flood control facilities.

Chairman Brown acknowledged City Councilor Brad Winter, who had arrived during discussion of this item.

Mr. Kelly stated that the new master plan for the park moves the channel underground, making surplus four additional lots which were not part of the 1997 agreement. The 1997 agreement provided that the City would purchase lots from AMAFCA at its cost plus 5% per annum.

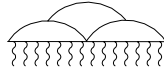
Mr. Kelly also stated that the 1997 agreement specifies that AMAFCA and the City would come to a separate agreement regarding the channel/box culvert. Last year, AMAFCA and the City agreed that AMAFCA would contribute \$1 million towards building the proposed channel. With the channel moving underground, AMAFCA will contribute that same \$1 million towards building the box culvert, estimated at \$2.1 million to construct. AMAFCA and the City will also split the platting costs, which include vacating a portion of Anaheim and establishing drainage easements.

Mr. Kelly commended Colleen Frenz for diligent effort in obtaining funding for the City's portion of the box culvert and final land acquisition for the park. He stated that the Second Amendment to the 1997 agreement, before the Board, concludes the Board's approvals for the project.

In response to a question from Director Saiers, Colleen Frenz stated that the \$334,000 for purchasing the lots from AMAFCA would come from a land acquisition fund, and would not directly impact the timing of the community center. She also stated that buying the land from AMAFCA now would save the City the cost of paying interest each year on the land.

Director Lyon stated that the sale of the four lots in question would need to be approved by the State Board of Finance. He further stated that the lots only become surplus when the box culvert is put in. In order to justify selling the lots at less than current market value, AMAFCA needs to follow the guidelines of the 1997 agreement. This covers AMAFCA's cost of acquisition, and the bond interest paid.

Councilor Winter stated that the City is trying to move forward on the park as quickly as possible.



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Mr. and Mrs. Richardson stated their preference for retaining a geographical name for the park rather than naming it for a person, citing Park Board and City of Albuquerque policies.

Chairman Brown stated that naming the park is outside the AMAFCA Board's jurisdiction. AMAFCA did name its dam facility in honor of former Mayor Kinney.

Director Hernandez made a motion that the Board approve and authorize the Board Chairman to execute the Second Amendment to Agreement with City of Albuquerque for Lower North Domingo Baca Dam and Community Park. Director Saiers seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**b. Approval of Resolution 2005-4, Sale of Surplus Property Kinney Dam**

Mr. Kelly presented the Board with Resolution 2005-4, Sale of Surplus Property Kinney Dam.

Director Lyon made a motion that the Board adopt Resolution 2005-4, "*Sale of Surplus Property Kinney Dam*". Director Hernandez seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

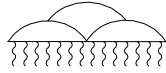
**9. North Camino Arroyo, San Mateo Blvd. to I-25 – Approval of Cost Sharing Agreement among AMAFCA, City of Albuquerque, MCT Industries, Mart-Nair Investments LLC and Health Care Services Corporation**

Mr. Kelly introduced Ted Martinez and Frank Duran, of MCT Industries, Inc.; Craig Hoover and Bruce Stidworthy, of Bohannon-Huston, MCT's engineer; and Charles Price, representing Blue Cross/Blue Shield of New Mexico. Mr. Kelly presented the proposed cost share agreement with AMAFCA, City of Albuquerque, MCT Industries, Mart-Nair Investments LLC and Health Care Services Corporation for construction of a portion of the North Camino channel, between San Mateo and I-25.

Mr. Kelly stated that the agreement had been negotiated in accordance with comments received from the Board at their March 24 and March 30, 2005 meetings.

Mr. Kelly stated that in accordance with the agreement, Blue Cross/Blue Shield will pay 100% of the costs of the portion of the channel behind their property, and MCT and AMAFCA would split the costs of the channel downstream to San Mateo on a 25%/75% AMAFCA/MCT split. AMAFCA will be the lead on the project, and will own, operate, and maintain the project upon completion. Project costs will include the design, construction and construction engineering costs.

MCT and Blue Cross/Blue Shield will split the costs of obtaining the FEMA LOMR.



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Director Hernandez made a motion that the Board approve the cost sharing agreement with the City of Albuquerque, MCT Industries, Inc., Mart-Nair Investments, LLC, a New Mexico Limited Liability Corporation, and Health Care Services Corporation, which operates in New Mexico through its division known as Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Mexico, and authorize the Chair to execute the same on behalf of AMAFCA.

Director Saiers seconded the motion, which passed (3-1), Director Lyon dissenting.

Chairman Brown called a brief recess at 10:02 a.m. He reconvened the meeting at 10:04 a.m.

**10. Boca Negra Detention Dam – Briefing by Wilson & Company on Project and Proposed Cost Sharing Plan**

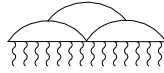
Mr. Kelly introduced Steve Metro and Dan Aguirre, of Wilson & Company; Scott Schiabor, of Mesa Verde Development; John Castillo, Director of the City's Department of Municipal Development; and Ken Lucas of Longford Homes.

Steve Metro reported that he and the developers had met with the Real Estate Committee, and had verified the acquisition cost of the land for the Boca Negra Detention Dam. A cost-share proposal had been negotiated pursuant to the Board's desire to keep AMAFCA's contribution at \$1 million, reduce costs and the risk of cost overruns, and share the risk of construction cost overruns in the project among the parties.

He stated that the construction cost of the dam had been reduced due to a decision to pre-excavate dirt from the dam site, and by coming to an agreement with PNM to relocate gas lines and an underground power line at PNM's cost in exchange for a sub-station site. The proposal provides for a 25/65/10% (AMAFCA/private/City) cost share for the dam, with AMAFCA's share for the project just under \$1 million.

Mr. Kelly referred to maps of the area to demonstrate that the dam will serve a large area on the west side. He stated that the dam needs to have the capacity to serve developed flows from that large area.

Mr. Kelly also discussed the details of the cost share proposal. He stated that the proposed cost share agreement provides that any cost overruns or underruns will be shared by the parties on a percentage basis for that portion of the project. After construction, AMAFCA will own, operate and maintain the facility. He stated that the dam is on the current project schedule at \$1 million.



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Discussion followed.

In response to a question from Chairman Brown, Mr. Kelly stated that the design will be finished around September or October 2005. The construction contract would probably go out to bid about as soon as the design is finished, with early construction costs covered by the contributions from developers. AMAFCA funding would be from the next bond sale and will be available approximately March 2006.

After further discussion, Board consensus was for staff to proceed with drafting a cost share agreement for the Board's consideration.

**11. Environmental/Archaeological Services – Extension of On-Call Contracts**

Director Hernandez made a motion that the Board authorize the Executive Engineer to extend the on-call contracts with Taschek Environmental Consulting and Marron & Associates for an additional one-year term with no change in fees, per the provisions of the contracts. Director Saiers seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

Due to the number of guests in attendance for items 12b through 13, Chairman Brown elected to hear those before item 7, stating that item 12a would be heard after item 7.

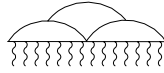
**12. Real Estate**

**b. Quitclaim/Release of Minor Drainage Easements, South Powerline Channel**

Lynn Mazur, AMAFCA Development Review Engineer, introduced Bo Johnson of Curb, Inc.; Bob Coleman of KB Home; Scott Steffen, of Bohannon-Huston, Engineer for Curb, Inc.; and Greg Krenik, of Mark Goodwin & Associates, Engineer for KB Home.

Ms. Mazur stated that this item covers the area east of the South Powerline Channel/PNM easement and north and south of Gibson Boulevard. AMAFCA obtained drainage easements at the time the large tracts were originally platted in 1990 and replatted in 1996 for the approximate limits of the natural arroyos, some of which are in the FEMA floodplain, and for the anticipated alignment of the future South Powerline Channel.

She stated that three subdivisions by two different developers are proposed for the area. A portion of the easements will not be needed due to drainage improvements planned for the subdivisions. The improvements, including the South Powerline Pond and Pipe System, are on the subdivisions' infrastructure lists. No FEMA floodplains are associated with the



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easements on the northern subdivisions. An Encroachment Agreement is requested for the KB Home subdivision to allow construction in the AMAFCA easements until a LOMR is approved by FEMA. The easement can be released upon receipt of the FEMA LOMR.

She further described the drainage improvements planned as a part of the subdivision development. The improvements are consistent with AMAFCA's Amole-Hubbell Drainage Management Plan.

Brief discussion followed, with Ms. Mazur and Mr. Kelly answering several questions.

Director Lyon made a motion that the Board approve:

- (1) Quitclaim Deed / Partial Release of Drainage Easements granted with Plat of Rio Bravo Partners filed July 19, 1990, in Volume 90C, Folio 163, and the 150-foot Drainage Easement granted with Plat of Lands of Rio Bravo Partners, Parcels 2-A, 2-B, 2-C, and 2-D, filed for record in the office of the County Clerk of Bernalillo County, New Mexico on April 17, 1996 in Plat Book 96C, Folio 160.
- (2) Subject to receipt of a LOMR, Quitclaim Deed / Partial Release of Drainage Easements granted with Plat of Rio Bravo Partners filed July 19, 1990, in Volume 90C, Folio 163 and with Plat of Lands of Rio Bravo Partners, Parcels 2-A, 2-B, 2-C and 2-D filed April 17, 1996, in Volume 96C, Folio 160.
- (3) Encroachment Agreement for improvements in the AMAFCA Easements and FEMA floodplain until the LOMR is approved.

Director Saiers seconded the motion, which passed (3-0). Director Hernandez was not present for the vote.

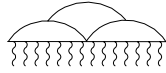
**c. Approval of Resolution 2005-5, Sale of Surplus Property, Westgate Dam Access**

Mr. Eckert recognized Bo Johnson of Curb, Inc., then presented Resolution 2005-5, "*Sale of Surplus Property, Westgate Dam Access.*" He stated that the property had been advertised for sale, and no other offers had been received. A Board resolution is necessary before the sale can be approved by the State Board of Finance.

Director Lyon made a motion that the Board adopt Resolution 2005-5, "*Sale of Surplus Property, Westgate Dam Access.*" Director Saiers seconded the motion.

After brief discussion, the motion passed (3-0). Director Hernandez was not present for the vote.





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**d. Notice of Issuance of Short-Term Recreation License**

Mr. Eckert informed the Board that a Short-Term Recreation License had been issued for the Run, Body, Run! event on April 3, 2005. No Board action was necessary.

**13. Quail Ranch Phase I Development – Briefing by Kurt Browning, Sandia Properties**

Mr. Kelly introduced Kurt Browning, of Sandia Properties, who briefed the Board on the Quail Ranch development.

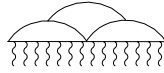
Mr. Browning stated that the development had come before the Board previously in 1998, 1999, and again in 2000. At that time, the Board approved level A of the master plan drainage plan.

Mr. Browning discussed the current plans for Phase I of the development, stating that Phase I would cover an area of approximately 1000 acres. He explained that the concept behind the drainage plan is to use six or seven water harvesting ponds/parks leading up to the main detention dam on the eastern boundary of Quail Ranch. This will cut peak flows from the dam to half of the historic flows. Phase I will be mixed use residential/commercial, with a combination of low and high density housing. He stated that the entire Quail Ranch development could take up to 30 years to complete.

He used a map to show the Board where the proposed water harvesting ponds would be located, and the location of the main detention dam. He stated that the main dam could be smaller than previously proposed because of the water harvesting ponds/parks, which would include riparian biofilters. The ponds/parks would probably be City of Rio Rancho facilities, and be maintained by the Quail Ranch Community Association. The main dam would be an AMAFCA facility.

Mr. Kelly discussed some details of the drainage proposal. He stated that cutting peak flow by having a number of detention/retention ponds would limit the impact of the development on downstream properties and unlined arroyos. He stated that two gas lines running near the proposed dam outfall would need to be protected, and this will need to be worked into the project.

Mr. Kelly stated that by using this concept of detention/retention on the entire 6,000 acres of Quail Ranch, there should be no adverse effect on downstream channels.



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Mr. Browning stated that it would be approximately two years before building begins in the development. His briefing was to reintroduce the project, and update the Board on the current status of the Drainage Management Plan.

**7. AMAFCA General Counsel Services – Selection Advisory Committee**

Attorney Sam Bregman left the meeting during discussion of this item.

Chairman Brown, serving as the Chairman of the Selection Advisory Committee, which he had previously designated as the Board as a whole, stated that proposals for General Counsel Services had been received from the Bregman Law Firm, and Sutin, Thayer & Browne.

Following discussion of the proposals, the SAC consensus was to select the Bregman Law Firm as General Counsel.

Director Hernandez made a motion that the Board accept the Selection Advisory Committee's recommendation of awarding the contract for General Counsel Services to the Bregman Law Firm, and direct the Executive Engineer to negotiate a contract for presentation to the Board at the May meeting. Director Saiers seconded the motion.

The motion passed (4-0).

Attorney Sam Bregman rejoined the meeting. Chairman Brown advised Mr. Bregman that the Board had voted unanimously to retain him as General Counsel, subject to a contract being drafted and accepted by the Board at a later date.

Mr. Bregman thanked the Board.

**12. Real Estate**

**a. Briefing on Planned Development and Proposed Easement Language, Lot 21, Block 2, Tract 3, Unit 1, North Albuquerque Acres**

Mr. Kelly stated that AMAFCA had recently received a submittal for building a house partially supported by piers over the floodplain of the La Cueva Arroyo, on a lot in North Albuquerque Acres. This submittal had revealed the need for AMAFCA to develop a policy regarding special buildings as this would set a precedent in the area. Homes have not previously been built in or over the floodplain as proposed in this submittal.



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Mr. Kelly stated that he had discussed this action with legal counsel and the initial analysis was that as long as the engineering for the home was sound, AMAFCA had no basis for denying the building permit.

The Board discussed this development. Director Hernandez voiced his discomfort with allowing this type of building in a floodplain, but stated the precedent had already been set in other areas of the country.

In response to a question from Director Lyon, Mr. Kelly stated there would likely be an adverse reaction from neighbors who had assumed that the encumbered lot was "unbuildable" due to being in the floodplain and would therefore remain open space.

Mr. Kelly referred the Board to the easement language proposed for this type of situation, and requested comments from the Board.

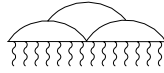
Director Saiers asked if there were covenants stating height restrictions in North Albuquerque Acres. She questioned the overall height of the house if allowed to be built on piers. Roger Paul, Bernalillo County Technical Services Director, replied that height restrictions are based on the highest point of the natural grade.

Chairman Brown questioned the flow rates in this area, and cautioned staff to consider the effect of different flow rates on a pier. He also requested staff to not take action on the current submittal until the Board had an opportunity to consider the consequences of allowing such a building. He stated that AMAFCA may need to develop a policy to address future building requests of a similar nature.

Mr. Mainz stated that he had inquired with Pima and Maricopa Counties in Arizona, and found that they had no standards for building on piers in a floodplain. Neither of them had any criteria. He also stated that this type of building was not prevented by current FEMA requirements, but the building would need flood insurance.

Following much discussion, Mr. Kelly stated that both AMAFCA and Bernalillo County are working with platting from the late 1930's that didn't recognize any of the drainageways through the area. These are individually-owned lots in the middle of the floodplain, and the owners have the expectation that they should be able to develop them.

Chairman Brown asked staff to study this issue further and report to the Board at a later date. At that time the Board could consider development of an AMAFCA policy regarding buildings on piers.



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Mr. Kelly stated that he would continue to meet with Mr. Bregman and Ms. Mazur to discuss possible solutions to the issue.

**14. FY 2006 Budget**

**a. Draft Operating Budget**

Mr. Kelly introduced Lisa Fenner, of RBC Dain Rauscher, Inc.

Ms. Jeffries presented the second draft of the Operating Budget for FY 2006.

Ms. Jeffries stated that the health and dental insurance rate was verified with the City. The Worker's Compensation rate was adjusted to the new rate for FY 06. Funding was increased slightly for the USGS Cooperative Program to cover increased gauging and overhead expenses. Fuel and Mileage was increased due to the increased cost of fuel. Liability and auto insurance rate increases from the New Mexico Self Insurers' Fund were also addressed in this draft of the budget. All other line items remained the same as the first draft.

Mr. Kelly stated that funding for the Water Assembly was removed from the budget last year as the plan was complete. However, the Water Assembly is now in the implementation stage of the program. He had received a request for funding this in FY06, and would include this amount in the final budget.

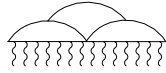
Mr. Kelly also explained that in the past, AMAFCA had alternated big sediment removal projects with equipment purchases. AMAFCA now has ongoing contracts for trash and debris removal (a key part of the EPA program) that are taking the place of the sediment removal projects in the budget. The contingency fund may need to be tapped if a major storm event makes sediment removal necessary this year.

Ms. Fenner discussed different tax revenue scenarios, demonstrating that the proposed budget was in line with a conservative estimate of expected revenue. She stated that the change of AMAFCA's boundaries in Corrales would have a slightly negative effect on operating fund revenues, as it is only a 0.3% reduction in the tax base assessed value.

Mr. Kelly stated that the Board would be approving the budget at the regular meeting in May.

**b. Draft Construction Fund Budget**

Mr. Kelly presented the second draft of the Construction Fund Budget for FY 2006.



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He stated that changes from the first draft include: revenue from the sale of surplus property at the Kinney Dam was added; the North Camino Arroyo project was added; the construction amount and reimbursement amounts for the proposed Boca Negra Dam project were revised; design amounts for the Corps of Engineers SW Valley project were revised, due to federal funding becoming available; and the amount for the Embudo Channel floor replacement was increased based on a preliminary engineer's estimate.

Mr. Kelly answered the Board's questions about the budget.

**c. Draft Contingency Fund Budget**

Ms. Jeffries presented the draft of the Contingency Fund Budget for FY 2006. There were no questions.

**d. Draft Debt Service Fund Budget**

Ms. Jeffries presented the draft of the Debt Service Fund Budget for FY 2005. She stated that the Debt Service Fund Budget used the same tax revenue growth estimates as used for the Operating Fund Budget. There were no questions.

Chairman Brown reminded the Board that the Budget would be approved at the regular May meeting of the Board of Directors.

**15. Field Highlights**

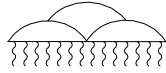
**a. Construction Report**

**b. Field Report**

Mr. Lovato presented a slide show depicting current projects. He showed slides of the West I-40 Diversion Channel Phase III Project, and a graph showing progress to date and the revised construction schedule. In response to a question from the Board, he stated that concrete placed after the suspension is meeting the project specifications. Work is on-going.

Mr. Mainz discussed progress on the Bear Canyon Arroyo 2004 Water Quality Retrofit Project. He included a picture of snowmelt water flowing out of the Sandias into the Bear Canyon Arroyo, about ten miles upstream from the project.

Mr. Mainz also discussed progress on the North Camino Debris Collection Facility, stating that it would probably be complete by the end of the week.



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Mr. Lovato briefly discussed the South Diversion Channel sediment removal project, which was recently completed. He then showed slides of the AMAFCA maintenance crew working on the AMAFCA landscaping, and participating in a test section to evaluate the effectiveness of "flooding" material for pipe backfill. The test section is located at the Swinburne Dam. He stated that the test results validated the use of "flooding" or "jetting" as a means to compact backfill material obtained from Swinburne Dam. This backfill method may lead to a less expensive way to build the Lyon Storm Drain project.

Director Saiers left during this report, due to a prior engagement.

Director Hernandez asked when the West I-40 project would be complete. Mr. Lovato stated the project is about 60% complete, at about 97% of the contract time.

**16. Unfinished Business**

None.

**17. New Business**

- a. **Out of State Travel Request – 7<sup>th</sup> Annual EPA Region 6 Storm Water Conference, Oklahoma City, OK, June 13-17, 2005**

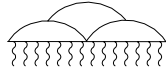
Mr. Kelly requested the Board's permission to send one staff member to the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual EPA Region 6 Storm Water Conference in Oklahoma City on June 13-17, 2005.

Director Hernandez made a motion that the Board authorize one staff member to travel out of state to the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual EPA Region 6 Storm Water Conference in Oklahoma City, OK, June 13-17, 2005. The motion was seconded by Chairman Brown, and passed (3-0).

**18. Items from the Floor / Public Comment**

Dan Hogan addressed the Board concerning recent media coverage of "flooding" that occurred at a Thunderbird Little League field that is a City joint use facility. He stated his opinion that reporting this as "flooding" was poor reporting, as the facility performed as designed. He expressed his appreciation of AMAFCA's assistance in providing 6 truck loads of clay soil to prepare the fields for scheduled games.

He also expressed his support for additional signage to identify joint-use facilities as AMAFCA facilities. He stated this would help educate the public as to the primary flood-control nature of the facilities.



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Mr. Hogan thanked AMAFCA for their past contributions to remove floodplain from the Eubank system. He also stated that in the FEMA Spring 2006 map revision, Southeast Heights flows will be designated "confined to streets". He thanked AMAFCA for the projects that lead to this floodplain revision.

Mr. Mainz pointed out to the Board the graphics for the Water Quality Public Education program, which were included in a handout. He stated that items with these graphics would be made available to the public at the upcoming Pet-A-Thon, at Expo New Mexico on May 7<sup>th</sup>.

**19. Adjourn**

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Brown adjourned the meeting at 12:45 p.m.

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Janet Saiers, Assist. Secretary-Treasurer 5/26/05

Recorded by Pam Woodruff, Secretary to the Executive Engineer