

**San Luis Obispo County Public Works Department**  
**Zone 1/1A–FEBRUARY 2007 STATUS REPORT**

1. 1959 Agreement: Currently waiting on NRCS to provide their recommended revisions. In an email on 1/11/07, Margy Lindquist said that Daniel Mountjoy, with the NRCS office in Davis, will be sending a letter with their suggested language.
2. RCD Maintenance Agreement: Revisions by CSLRCD are currently under review by County Public Works.
3. Watershed MOU: Public Works has met with Supervisor Katcho Achadjian and City of Arroyo Grande Planning staff to receive latest draft of MOU and discuss. County Public Works has submitted the draft MOU to County Counsel and Oceano Airport staff for review.
4. Public Works staff met with representatives from the CDF Cuesta Conservation Camp to establish a back-up work crew for the California Conservation Corps (CCC) to complete the vegetation maintenance this year. The CDF Crew is available as long as there is no fire that they are needed at. Fire protection is their first priority. Crew is made up of 17 inmates and CDF Captain and/or Guard. They can work from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and the cost is \$200/day for the entire crew. One week prior notice is needed to reserve a CDF work crew, however, further in advance is recommended to ensure crew availability (for reasons other than fire emergency).
5. The District has scheduled work to raise a portion of the north levee to its design elevation. Work is anticipated to begin this week (2/20). The section to be raised is approximately 5,000 feet long, between the Union Pacific Railroad Crossing and Highway 1. Public Works staff has already obtained required environmental permits to complete the proposed maintenance (CEQA – categorical exemption) and our surveyors have staked the portions of the levee for the fill work. This project is estimated to cost approximately \$65,500.
6. A Flood Emergency Response Plan is in process of being developed for the low lying areas of Oceano adjacent to Arroyo Grande Creek. Public Works staff has made initial contact with the County Office of Emergency Services to coordinate the preparation of this plan and scheduling a meeting for local responding agencies (Oceano Fire, CHP, and Sherriff) to increase awareness of the potential flood hazard.
7. Public Works staff is reviewing Notice to Proceed with EIR for Newsom Springs Master Drainage Plan. As an overview, three alignment alternatives were developed that provide for a series of ditches and/or pipes to carry storm water from the culvert under Branch Mill Road to Arroyo Grande Creek. Comments are due to the City of Arroyo Grande Community Development Department by March 2, 2007.