

FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD SUBMITTAL  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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FROM: General Manager-Chief Engineer      SUBMITTAL DATE: April 8, 2003

SUBJECT: Cooperative Research and Development Agreement for the Planning Level Delineation, Functional Assessment for Portions of the Santa Ana River to Supplement the Existing Western Riverside SAMP Data and the Completion of an Alternative Analysis Comparing Potential Impacts of Selected Transportation Corridors Alternatives, Riverside County, CA

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

The Board authorize the General Manager-Chief Engineer to approve the Cooperative Research and Development Agreement between the District, the Riverside County Transportation Commission and the U. S. Army Corps of Engineer Research and Development Center, Environmental Laboratory, which sets forth the terms and conditions by which the preparation of a planning level wetland delineation of Water of the U.S. (WoUS) for portions of the Santa Ana River watershed to supplement the existing Western Riverside SAMP data, a baseline functional assessment of riparian ecosystem integrity for portions of the Santa Ana Rivers watershed to supplement the existing Western Riverside SAMP data and the completions of an alternatives analysis comparing potential impacts of selected transportation corridor alternatives on WoUS and riparian ecosystems.

**JUSTIFICATION:**

The planning level wetland delineation of Water of the U.S. (WoUS), baseline functional assessment of riparian ecosystem integrity and the completions of an alternatives analysis comparing potential impacts of selected transportation corridor alternatives on WoUS and riparian ecosystems is to be used to support the Riverside County Transportation Commission's preparation of a Supplemental Environmental Report addressing the alternatives for the Hemet to Corona transportation corridor.

**FINANCIAL:**

The total cost of this effort is \$150,000. Funding for this will be covered by a Special Appropriation Grant from the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency in the amount of \$113,000, \$17,000 will be allocated from the Multi-species Project Trust Fund monies transferred to the District on February 11, 2001 and \$20,000 will be allocated from the RCIP General Fund monies to be transferred to the District by the end of April 2003.

WARREN D. WILLIAMS  
General Manager-Chief Engineer

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION

**APPROVE**

County Executive Officer Signature

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