



MCWRA Briefing Report PAJARO RIVER BENCH EXCAVATION PROJECT

May 14, 2013

Subject: Pajaro River Bench Excavation Project, Phase II – status and next steps

Current Status:

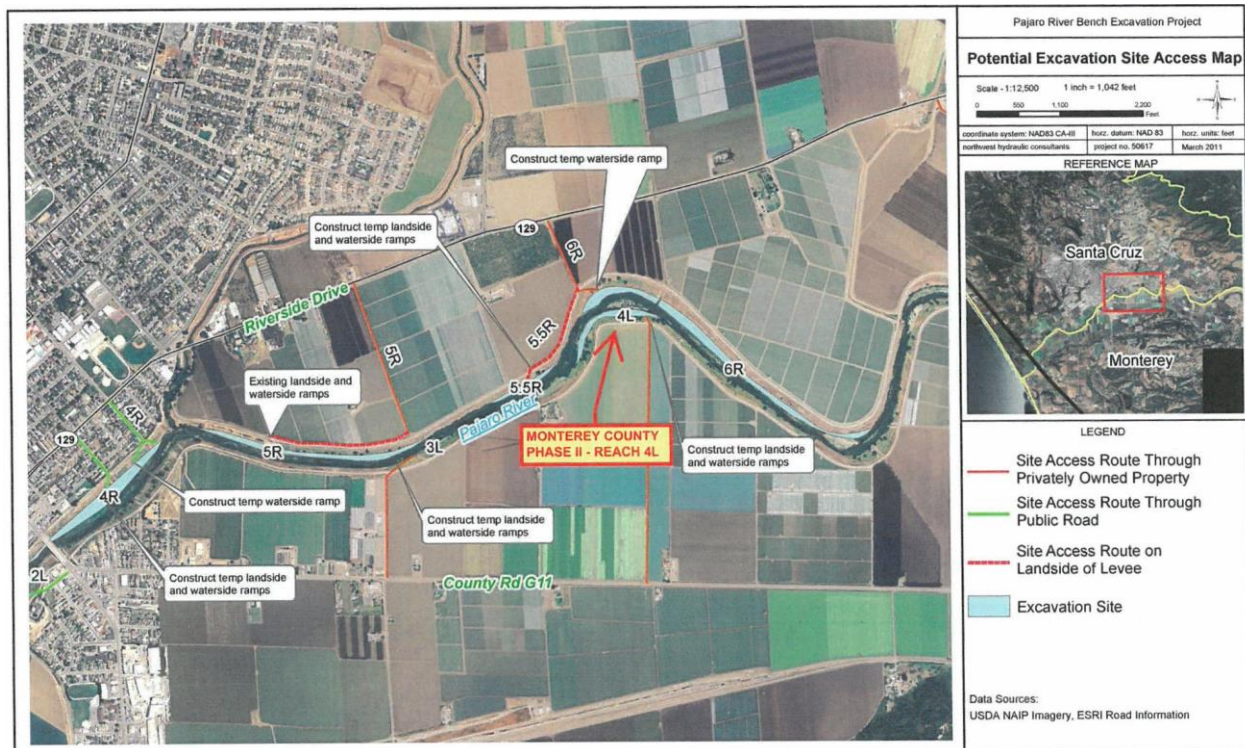


Figure 1B - Potential Excavation Site Access Map

Pajaro River Bench Excavation Project

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- In 2007, Santa Cruz County Flood Control & Water Conservation District (SC) and Monterey County Water Resources Agency (WRA) were jointly awarded \$6.0 million from a Proposition 50 grant; \$4.6 million is dedicated for the Pajaro River Bench Excavation Project (Project).
- Funding from a Proposition 84 grant, in the amount of \$2.9 million, was awarded; \$2.0 million is dedicated for construction.
- Project will remove, transport, and dispose of approximately 320,000 cubic-yards of excavated soils from bench areas on both sides of the Pajaro River increasing the hydraulic capacity by 10% to 24,000 cfs.
- Phase I of the Project was completed in October 2012 at a final construction cost of \$1,907,566; \$934,700 was reimbursed to WRA in March 2013. A grant balance of \$4.5 million remains for Phase II.
- At their April 9th meeting, Monterey County BOS approved an agreement with SC for construction of Phase II and entered into a funding agreement with WRA for amount, not to exceed 50% of \$4.4 million.
- Bids were opened on April 9th and ranged from \$3.9 million to \$6.9 million.
- At their April 17th meeting, SC awarded the Project to PAVEX Construction (bid amount \$3,913,665.18).
- WRA will cost-share approximately \$3.0 million of the bid amount for work solely on the mainstem.
- At their April 22nd meeting, WRA BOD ratified the executed funding agreement with Monterey County.
- WRA will be fully reimbursed for the entire Pajaro River Bench Excavation Project (Phases I and II) based on accepted bid.

Next Steps:

- Construction to begin May 13th with work on Monterey-side beginning late summer for 1-2 weeks.
- WRA will review all contractor invoices prior to final approval.