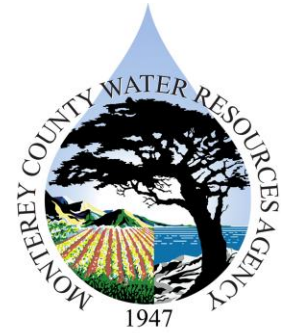


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Subject: Request the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to Proceed with Amending the Federal Cost Share Agreement to Accept Contributed Funds for the Pajaro River Flood Risk Reduction Project

Dear Lieutenant Colonel Rayfield:

The Monterey County Water Resources Agency (Agency) is interested in potentially contributing funds for the Pajaro River Flood Risk Reduction Project (Project) in accordance with 33 U.S.C. §701h. This letter is to initiate the process for amending the Federal Cost Share Agreement for the Feasibility Phase of the Project to allow acceptance of contributed funds.

The Agency is proposing offering \$50,000 as contingency funding for completion of the General Reevaluation Report/ Environmental Assessment for the Project. Together, both the Agency and Santa Cruz County Flood Control and Water Conservation District – Zone 7 (the other local Non-Federal Sponsor) are proposing offering \$100,000 of contingency funding for this effort.

The Agency is aware that the amended Federal Cost Share Agreement will repay or provide credit for contributed funds authorized. The acceptance of such funds will not constitute or imply any commitment to budget or appropriate funds for the project in the future.

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Please initiate the process to notify the House and Senate Appropriations Committees, and Subcommittees on Energy and Water Development.

Respectfully,

Luis A. Alejo, Chair
Board of Supervisors of the Monterey County
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