





TODAY'S ACTION

It is recommended that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Supervisors:

Consider options on whether, and how, to proceed with granting permission to allow reconstruction in the Agency's Floodage Easement at Nacimiento Reservoir.

Background

- In Aug 2016, the Chimney Fire destroyed 8 cabin structures located in MCWRA's Floodage Easement at Nacimiento Reservoir
- In Dec 2016, cabin owners requested permission to rebuild in easement
- In March 2017, MCWRA BOD received presentation regarding the request
- In October 2017, DSOD and FERC contacting dam operators following Oroville spillway failure
- In March 2018, MCWRA BOD recommended MCWRA BOS consider options on whether to allow reconstruction

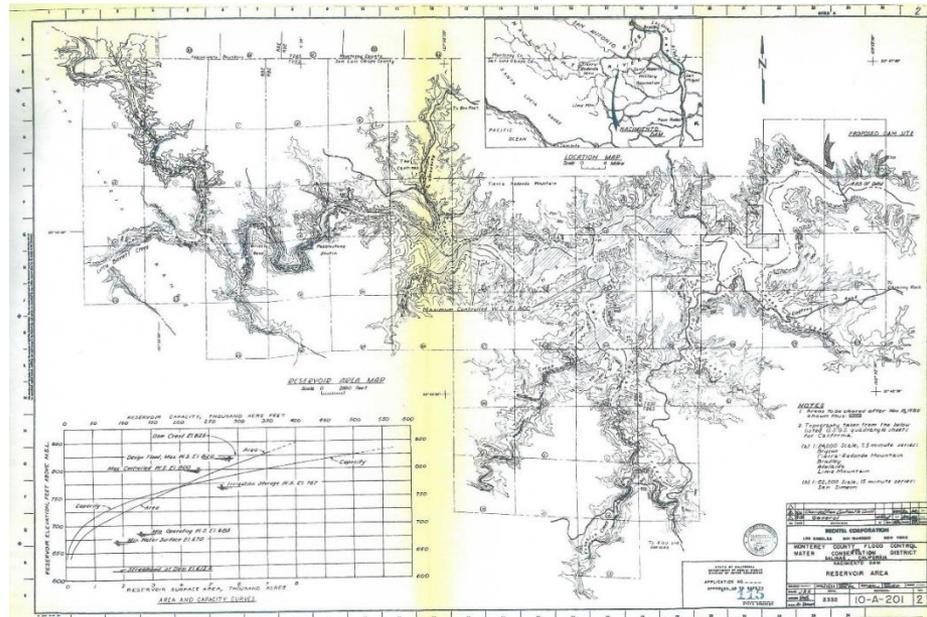
Request for reconstruction

- Cal Shasta Club – 8 cabins below 825 feet destroyed by fires



Basis for MCWRA staff denial

- Uphold intent of Floodage Easement in and around Nacimiento:
 - Perpetual right to “overflow, flood and submerge all lands below 825 feet”; right to remove structures



Concerns in allowing reconstruction

- Sufficient area exists for reconstruction outside the easement
 - No disaster relief
- Storm water run-off into reservoir
- Open space / buffer
- Future flooding and detention
- Part of the 1955 Dam construction safety footprint

2 Options for Board Consideration

- Option 1 – Not consent to reconstruction in the MCWRA Floodage Easement
- Option 2 – Consent to reconstruction in the Floodage Easement. If so, MCWRA staff recommends that the Board:
 - a. Adopt a policy allowing reconstruction; and,
 - b. Authorize the General Manager to issue permits under the adopted policy.

Staff recommends that the Board express its intent to adopt either Option 1 or Option 2 and direct staff to return with a resolution and findings for that option; with option 2, bring back a draft policy

TODAY'S ACTION

Give direction on whether, and how, to proceed with granting permission to allow reconstruction in the MCWRA's Floodage Easement at Nacimiento Reservoir

Options are:

1. Not consent to reconstruction in the Floodage Easement, as recommended by staff; or,
2. Allow reconstruction in the Floodage Easement subject to a MCWRA (encroachment) permit

Direct staff to return with a resolution and findings for either denial of permission to reconstruct, Or, a resolution and a draft policy consenting to reconstruction subject to a MCWRA permit.

