County of Riverside

SUPERVISOR MARION ASHLEY
FIFTH DISTRICT

February 18, 2016

Re: Lower San Jacinto River Advisory Committee Letter of Invitation

Dear _____:

Developing a comprehensive management plan for the San Jacinto River floodplain from Ramona Expressway to Railroad Canyon is critical to both the economic growth and environmental sustainability of Riverside County. The River floodplain threatens several critical transportation corridors, including the I-215 freeway. It also provides endangered species habitat and serves as a species movement corridor. Only after careful consideration of the community's public health and safety, transportation, environmental and economic goals can a comprehensive management plan be developed. To that end, I have formed the Lower San Jacinto River Advisory Committee to assist the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District with development of a viable floodplain management program for the lower San Jacinto River.

I am extending a personal invitation to you to serve on the Lower San Jacinto River Advisory Committee. You have been recommended as a person with respected knowledge and experience, an understanding of the issues and as one who will make a valuable contribution to this Advisory Committee. By serving on this committee, you will have an opportunity to guide the future management and development of the Lower San Jacinto River floodplain.

The attached Fact Sheet provides additional information regarding the Lower San Jacinto River Advisory Committee purpose, membership and expected time commitments. The first meeting of the Advisory Committee will be scheduled a soon as we have confirmation of participation and dates of availability from all invited members.

Becky Patterson, Executive Secretary to the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, will be contacting you within the next several days to confirm your interest in the Advisory Committee and to determine your availability. Becky may also be reached at 951.955.1250 or bpatters@rcflood.org. Should you have any other questions or concerns regarding the Advisory Committee, please feel free to contact Steve Hernandez of my staff at 951.955.1050.

Sincerely yours,

Marion Ashley

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Lower San Jacinto River Advisory Committee Fact Sheet

Purpose - The Lower San Jacinto River Advisory Committee is made up of members appointed by Supervisor Ashley to assist the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District with development and endorsement of a Recommended Project for the lower reach of the San Jacinto River between Ramona Expressway and Railroad Canyon (also known as the San Jacinto River, Stage 3). Members have been selected by the Supervisor to represent a range of interests in the Project area.

At key Project milestones, the Advisory Committee will:

1. Articulate desired future outcomes of the Project from stakeholder perspectives;
2. Assist in the selection of scoring criteria for Project Alternatives;
3. Recommend Project Alternative refinements based on review of Project Reports and scoring criteria;
4. Disseminate Project information to other stakeholders and peers as appropriate.

Although the Advisory Committee is not a decision making body, it will be asked to endorse the Recommended Project Alternative that results from the process. The Endorsed Project Alternative will be used to develop a detailed Project Description for future environmental analysis and further project development. The Advisory Committee role will adjourn upon the endorsement of a Project Alternative. Committee members may be called to participate in later phases of project development.

Membership - The Advisory Committee will be chaired by Dusty Williams, General Manager-Chief Engineer of the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, and consist of the following members:

Advisory Committee Chair	Dusty Williams or alternative	Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District
Member	Mayor Daryl R. Busch or alternate	City of Perris
Member	Steve Hernandez	5th District Supervisor's Office
Member	Juan Perez or alternate	TLMA
Member	Anne Mayer or alternate	RCTC
Member	Charles Landry or alternate	WRCRCA
Member	Paul Jones or alternate	EMWD
Member	Dan Silver	Environmental Community
Member	Pat Parker or alternate	Green Valley Development (City of Perris)
Member	David Arnold or alternate	Hillcrest Homes, Inc. / Riverpark Development (Unincorporated County)
Technical Support and Meeting Facilitation	Scott Hildebrandt	Albert A. Webb Associates

Time Commitment - Members will be asked to attend roughly bi-monthly meetings for approximately one year. Members will also be asked to review Project Alternative Summary Reports and other work products prior to each scheduled meeting.