STUDY UPDATE

The Flood Control District of Maricopa County (District) is developing the Adobe Dam/Desert Hills Area Drainage Master Plan, which is a comprehensive study of flooding, drainage, and erosion issues. Previous public meetings on this project were held in November 2002 and again in November 2003.

Current Work Status

Since the November 2003 public meetings, work has continued in the following areas:

- Completing evaluation of proposed structural measures (e.g., levees, channels, basins, culverts, bridges) to address identified flooding and drainage issues;
- Refining proposed non-structural measures (e.g., development guidelines, flood and erosion hazard mapping) to address existing and future flooding and drainage problems;
- Evaluating environmental, visual aesthetics, and multiuse opportunities associated with the proposed measures;
- Meeting with other public agencies for their input on the conceptual design of the structural alternatives; and
- Establishing a watershed-wide flood response plan for use by emergency response agencies.

Next Steps

The next steps in the study include the formulation of the Recommended Alternative to address flooding issues, which may include a combination of structural and non-structural components. The District plans to present information about the Recommended Alternative to residents at upcoming public meetings scheduled for Fall 2004. You will receive an announcement in early September with details about the future public meetings. The study is scheduled to be completed in December 2004.

Please visit the project Web site for updated information: www.fcd.maricopa.gov/Projects/AdobeDamADMP

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