

CITY OF MENIFEE

SUBJECT: Clean Water Act Permit Application Fees - Bradley Road

Bridge over Salt Creek Project

MEETING DATE: June 7, 2023

TO: Mayor and City Council

PREPARED BY: Carlos Geronimo, Principal Engineer

REVIEWED BY: Nick Fidler, Public Works Director

APPROVED BY: Armando G. Villa, City Manager

RECOMMENDED ACTION

 Authorize the City Manager, or their designee, to execute necessary documents and issue payment in a total amount not-to-exceed \$37,036 to the State Water Resources Control Board for the application fee required to obtain the 401 Clean Water Act Permit for the Bradley Road Bridge over Salt Creek Project.

DISCUSSION

The Bradley Road Bridge over Salt Creek project (Project), Capital Improvement Project (CIP) No. 13-04, proposes to replace the existing low-flow crossing of Bradley Road at Salt Creek with a 335 foot-long by 64-foot-wide all-weather bridge to accommodate the conveyance of 100-year flood flows. Additional improvements to Bradley Road to the north and south of the proposed bridge would include grading changes to support ramps on either side of the proposed bridge abutments. The Project area includes the segment of Bradley Road located just north of the Rio Vista Drive intersection and continues to just south of the Potomac Drive intersection.

The proposed Project would result in permanent impacts to approximately 0.21 acre of ephemeral, non-wetland waters due to the construction of the aggregate-base access ramps, bridge abutments, and rock slope protection needed to support and stabilize the bridge. Additionally, the Project would result in temporary impacts to approximately 0.80 acre of ephemeral, non-wetland waters to allow construction-related access within Salt Creek and to relocate an existing Sothern California Gas Company natural gas utility line.

Because of these identified impacts to the Salt Creek Channel, the Project must comply with California regulations and environmental mitigation requirements set forth by the Clean Water Act. The City's consultant, Dudek, would assist with completion of the Discharges of Dredged or Fill Material to Waters of the State application and submission of the required fees to the State

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Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) in order to obtain the necessary 401 Clean Water Act permit for the Project.

The Project previously obtained a permit from the SWRCB in March of 2020, but the permit expired due to project inactivity caused by the City not having the available funds to begin construction of the project. The City now has adequate funding to begin the construction phase of work and is required to re-apply to obtain the required permit before beginning activity.

STRATEGIC PLAN OBJECTIVE

Connectivity and Mobility

FISCAL IMPACT

The payment of the SWRCB permit application fee would not adjust the overall CIP 13-04 budget. Funding for the permit application fees in an amount not to exceed \$37,036 has been identified in Fiscal Year 2022/2023 budget, as outlined in Table 1 below.

Table 1 - Project Funding

Fund	Project	Account	Available	SWRCB
		Number	Budget	Permit Fees
DIF Citywide – Circulation	Bradley Road Bridge over Salt Creek	526-4555-58000	\$3,864,349	\$37,036

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Project Location Map
- 2. State Water Resources Control Board Application & Fee Calculator Form