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- San Anselmo Flood Protection Alternatives
- Series of meetings on USACE project along Corte Madera Creek
- Fairfax Community Meeting

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Program Website Reorganization

We are in the process of organizing the Ross Valley Flood Protection website to make it easier to navigate. Project-related information and documents can be found on new project-specific webpages. Don't see a meeting you're looking for? Check out our Meeting Archive of previously-held [advisory board](#) and [community meetings](#). Sign up to receive updates to stay connected with us. If you have questions or need assistance finding anything, email Zone 9 Engineer Felix Meneau at fmeneau@marincounty.org. Let us know what you think of the reorganization!

San Anselmo Flood Protection Alternatives

The District and the Town of San Anselmo are exploring options to reassign the \$8.7 million in grant funds originally intended for the Memorial Park Detention Basin project to other projects in the Ross Valley Flood Protection and Watershed Program. Preliminary options include bridge replacements, creek restoration measures, and other detention basins that are outlined in a memo posted to the Program website titled *Analysis of Project Alternatives for DWR Grant Technical Memorandum*.

Learn more about these preliminary options and opportunities for providing input at the Zone 9 meeting on June 21, 2016. If you have questions or comments, please contact Watershed Planning Manager Liz Lewis at lizlewis@marincounty.org or 415.473.7226.



SERIES OF MEETINGS ON US ARMY CORPS CORTE MADERA CREEK PROJECT AREA



General Toy and staff from the US Army Corps of Engineers meets with US Congressman Jared Huffman and Marin Supervisor Katie Rice

Efforts to address flooding along Corte Madera Creek through Ross and Kentfield kicked off in January with a well-attended public scoping session. This provided the community with an opportunity to provide input on the types of environmental concerns that should be considered when assessing project alternatives. Comments were recorded and made part of the formal record.

Further one-on-one engagement with the public took place on April 20 when staff and engineers led a group of engaged people on an informational talk for our first Creek Walk event along the Army Corps Project area. This was a great way to discuss specific issue areas and

potential improvements in the field. Look for more creek walks to be planned in the near future.

On April 25, Congressman Jared Huffman hosted another well-attended community meeting on proposed flood control projects. Additional public input & supplemental review of the scope of work for the proposed projects in Corte Madera Creek were provided by those who attended.

Learn more about these meetings by visiting the US Army Corps project webpage at RossValleyWatershed.org and scrolling down to "Past Meetings."

"A strong community process is essential-one that keeps the public not only informed but engaged in the design and decision-making around projects and the broader program."

-Supervisor Katie Rice



FAIRFAX COMMUNITY MEETING ON LEFTY GOMEZ FIELD

On February 4, 2016, a community meeting was held at White Hill Middle School in Fairfax to learn about the Program and hear how a dual-use facility at Lefty Gomez Field could both improve existing grass play fields & help reduce downstream flooding. Attendees asked lots of great questions, shared ideas &

concerns, and learned how to be part of the solution.

If you missed the meeting, visit the Community Meetings or Lefty Gomez webpages to view the meeting flyer, press release, presentation, and video.



Community members study exhibits at the February 4, Fairfax meeting

