## **FY2011 Appropriations Request Form**

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Individuals/Organizations must respond to all questions on the form. Incomplete proposals will not be considered.

All appropriations project requests will be presented to and evaluated by the 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District's Citizens Oversight Panel, made up of community leaders. **This year's panel meetings will be held on February 26, March 5 and March 12, 2010 in the 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District. Appointments to appear before the panel must be made through Cookab Hashemi, Chief of Staff, at 202/225-3531 or via email, Cookab.Hashemi@mail.house.gov.** 

<u>IMPORTANT NOTE</u>: All information provided on this form and any supporting documents will be made available to the public on the Congresswoman's website.

DEADLINE: Forms are due by Friday, February 12, 2010 @ 6:00 p.m. (P.S.T.)/9:00 p.m. (E.S.T.). Project requests submitted after that date will not be considered.

Date Submitted: February 12, 2010

Project Name: Colma Creek Flood Control Channel Wall Repair

**Individual/Organization:** (Is the grantee located in the 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District?)

Jim Porter, Director of Public Works/San Mateo County Flood Control District

**Amount Requested** (*if requesting report language, please attach.*): \$1,675,000 (Request amount is 54% of total project cost estimated at \$3,125,000. Local match is 46%)

Appropriations Bill/Account/Relevant Authorization law/bill/status (e.g., "Public Law 107-111"; "FY2008 DOD Authorization", "Currently pursuing authorization through Agriculture Committee", "Safe Drinking Water Act" or "Hatch Act") Applicants uncertain as to how to answer this question should contact Cookab Hashemi at 202-225-3531 or via email, <a href="Cookab.Hashemi@mail.house.gov">Cookab.Hashemi@mail.house.gov</a> for assistance: Interior Department, EPA, STAG 1A

**Local Contact** (Please provide full contact information, including any relevant phone extensions, and indicate if there is a separate D.C. contact. Please provide local address, state, zip code and email address):

Robert Gaines

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Organization's Main Activities. (Please limit your response to 250 words and indicate whether it is a public, non-profit or private for-profit entity.)

The San Mateo County Flood Control District (District) is a Countywide Special District that was created by State legislation in order to provide a mechanism to finance flood control projects. There are currently three active flood control zones within the District – the Colma Creek Flood Control Zone, the San Bruno Creek Flood Control Zone, and the San Francisquito Creek Flood Control Zone. The Colma Creek Flood Control Zone was created in 1964 and maintains approximately 4.8 miles of flood control channel that provides flood control protection for residents within the Cities of South San Francisco, Colma, and Daly City. The District has been constructing specific sections of Colma Creek for decades. The channel consists of earthen lined trapezoidal segments, earthen bottomed with concrete walls, concrete lined channels, and concrete box culverts as a result of these construction projects.

Please show main items in the project and total cost in a simplified chart form. (Please include the amount of any Federal/State/Local/Private funds, including any in-kind resources.)

Description	Estimated Cost	Federal	District
Demolition	\$150,000	\$0	\$150,000
Steel Sheet Shoring	\$275,000	\$0	\$275,000
Structure Excavation & Backfill	\$210,000	\$210,000	\$0
Pavements & Drainage	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$0
Chain Link Fencing	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$0
Concrete	\$1,350,000	\$1,350,000	\$0
Contingency	\$400,000	\$0	\$400,000
Environmental Permitting,			
Design & Construction	\$625,000	\$0	\$625,000
Management (25%)			
Total	\$3,125,000	\$1,675,000	\$1,450,000

Project Description, including a timeline, goals, expected outcomes and specific uses of Federal Funds. (Your response must focus on the requested funds rather than the organization's mission and general activities. Please limit your response to 250-500 words.)

A segment of the Colma Creek Flood Control Channel (channel) just upstream of the Spruce Avenue Bridge in the City of South San Francisco that was constructed in 1979 consisted of reinforced concrete interlocking sheet pile walls with an earthen bottom. This segment of the channel is approximately sixty-five feet (65') wide and fifteen (15') feet high at this location and is slightly tidally influenced. The channel sections upstream and downstream of this segment have concretelined bottoms. Wall movement associated with the storm events in January and February 2008 created significant pavement cracking along North Canal Street and soil subsidence adjacent to the walls on the south side of the channel. Wall movement threatens the ability of the channel to carry floodwater as designed and could impact a large diameter sanitary sewer pipe and roadway owned by the City of South San Francisco. A temporary brace system has been installed to restrain the walls from further movement and will continue to remain until a permanent repair is constructed. The project would permanently repair the distressed walls by removing the existing interlocking concrete sheet piles, excavating and grading the channel bottom, installing a drainage system, and constructing the new reinforced concrete walls and channel bottom. The environmental clearance and permitting

phase is currently under way and the final design is expected to be completed by May 2010. Construction of the project is anticipated to occur between July and October of 2010.

The Federal funds requested will be utilized to construct the project, pay for contingencies and project management during the construction phase.

How will this project request serve to expand the capacity of your organization and how will your organization sustain this work beyond the federal funding? (Your response must focus on the impact of the requested funds rather than the organization's long-term goals.)

The funding will provide for a structurally sound channel for the residents of the communities of South San Francisco, Colma and Daly City. Future maintenance of the repaired flood control walls would come from the San Mateo County Flood Control District fund.

# Can this proposal be funded via fees levied on users of the service or via the ordinary capital budgeting process of the organization?

Property owners in the area already pay a fee via a percentage of their property taxes to the San Mateo County Flood Control District to finance flood control projects in the area. These fees are currently quite high and any actions by the County to seek to increase the existing fee would trigger Proposition 218 actions.

#### What is the local significance of this project?

The Colma Creek watershed encompasses areas in the unincorporated County of San Mateo, the Town of Colma, the City of San Bruno, the City of Pacifica, the City of Daly City, and the City of South San Francisco. Flood control improvements by the San Mateo County Flood Control District have been constructed within the unincorporated County area, Town of Colma, City of South San Francisco, and the City of Daly City. The project is needed to maintain and protect public infrastructure. Protecting the road adjacent to the channel would also prevent the possibility of approximately 25% of untreated sanitary sewage from the City of South San Francisco from spilling into the Bay should a channel failure cause a sewer main line break.

How many residents of the 12<sup>th</sup> CD will benefit from this project? (i.e. jobs created, services rendered to, how many people, etc.)

Repairing the distressed walls would prevent flood damage to the properties and inconvenience associated with emergency declarations to the residents of the City of South San Francisco (Population over 60,500).

Please explain the federal interest in this proposal (i.e. meets a stated objective of federal policy, supports a federal agency, is the result of a federal law/mandate, etc.)

List any other organizations or state/local elected officials who have expressed support for the project in writing. (Please submit copies of support letters along with the request form.)

Town of Colma, Daly City and City of South San Francisco

Does the organization have any other funding requests for this project? (Federal, State, Local or private request pending?)
No.

Has the organization previously received Federal funds for this project? (Please list any funds received [by fiscal year] and briefly describe how those funds were spent.)

No.

Has the individual and/or organization submitted the project request to other Member offices? If so, please identify below the names of the Members of Congress and staff persons.

No.

Please attach a list of your organization's staff and board members from 2005 – 2010. (if any).

A complete listing of all County staff can be found on the San Mateo County website at:

http://www.co.sanmateo.ca.us/portal/site/SMC



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February 11, 2010

The Honorable Jackie Speier 211 Cannon House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

RE: Colma Creek Flood Control Channel Wall Repair, FY 2011

Dear Congresswoman Speier:

On behalf of the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors, I write to seek your support to secure federal funding for the permanent repair of distressed flood control channel walls in Colma Creek.

The Colma Creek Flood Control Zone was created in 1964 to provide flood control protection for residents in the Cities of South San Francisco, Colma, and Daly City. Upstream of the Spruce Avenue Bridge is a sixty-five feet wide and fifteen feet high earthen bottom section of a flood control channel. Surrounding this section are sections with concrete bottoms. Wall movement in the earthen bottom section created significant pavement cracking on North Canal Street and soil subsidence adjacent to the walls on the south side of the channel.

Wall movement threatens the ability of floodwater to flow as designed and if permanent action is not taken, a large diameter sanitary sewer pipe and roadway owed by the City of South San Francisco could be impacted. A temporary bracing system is in place, but funding for this project would result in permanent repair to the distressed walls. The planned repairs include removing the existing interlocking concrete sheet piles, excavating and grading the channel bottom, installing a drainage system, and constructing the new reinforced concrete walls and channel bottom.

I urge you to support this request for federal funding to permanently repair the distressed Colma Creek Flood Channel wall and eliminate the threat of further damage to the surrounding infrastructure and community.

Sincerely,

Richard S. Gordon

President, Board of Supervisors



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

(650) 877-8550 FAX (650) 877-8665

February 11, 2010

The Honorable Jackie Speier 211 Cannon House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

SUBJECT: Colma Creek Flood Control Channel Wall Repair

Dear Congresswoman Speier:

As Director of Public Works for the City of South San Francisco, I would like your support to secure federal funding for the permanent repair of the distressed Colma Creek flood control channel walls within our City.

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Wall movement threatens the ability of floodwater to flow as designed and if permanent action is not taken, an adjacent sanitary sewer pipe and roadway (North Canal Street) could be impacted. Although a temporary bracing system is in place, this funding would result in a permanent repair to the distressed walls. The planned repairs include removing the existing interlocking concrete sheet piles, excavating and grading the channel bottom, installing a drainage system, and constructing the new reinforced concrete walls and channel bottom.

I urge you to support this request for federal funding to permanently repair the distressed Colma Creek Flood Channel wall and eliminate the threat of further damage to the surrounding infrastructure and our community.

Sincerely,

Terry White

Director of Public Works





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City Council

February 11, 2010

Diana Colvin Mayor The Honorable Jackie Speier
211 Cannon House Office Building
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Helen Fisicaro Vice Mayor Washington, D.C. 20515

Rae P. Gonzalez Council Member RE: Colma Creek Flood Control Channel Wall Repair

Joanne F. del Rosario Council Member Dear Congresswoman Speier:

Joseph Silva Council Member On behalf of the Town of Colma City Council, I write to seek your support to secure federal funding for the permanent repair of distressed flood control channel walls in Colma Creek.

City Officials

Laura Allen City Manager

Robert L. Lotti Chief of Police

Roger Peters City Attorney

Richard Mao City Engineer

Colette Meunier, AICP Acting City Planner

Brian Dossey Director of Recreation Services

Lori Burns Human Resources Manager The Colma Creek Flood Control Zone was created in 1964 to provide flood control protection for residents in the Cities of South San Francisco, Colma, and Daly City. Upstream of the Spruce Avenue Bridge is a sixty-five feet wide and fifteen feet high earthen bottom section of a flood control channel. Surrounding this section are sections with concrete bottoms. Wall movement in the earthen bottom section created significant pavement cracking on North Canal Street and soil subsidence adjacent to the walls on the south side of the channel.

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I urge you to support this request for federal funding to permanently repair the distressed Colma Creek Flood Channel wall and eliminate the threat of further damage to the surrounding infrastructure and community.

Sincerely,

Diana Colvin Mayor

cc:

City Council



### CITY OF DALY CITY

DALY CITY, CA 94015-1895

PHONE: (650) 991-8000

February 11, 2010

The Honorable Jackie Speier 211 Cannon House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

**SUBJECT:** COLMA CREEK FLOOD CONTROL CHANNEL WALL REPAIR

Dear Congresswoman Speier: Julie

On behalf of the City of Daly, I write to seek your support to secure federal funding for the permanent repair of distressed flood control channel walls in Colma Creek.

The Colma Creek Flood Control Zone was created in 1964 to provide flood control protection for residents in the cities of South San Francisco, Colma, and Daly City. Upstream of the Spruce Avenue Bridge is concrete walled earthen bottom channel section. Wall movement in the earthen bottom section created significant pavement cracking on North Canal Street and soil subsidence adjacent to the walls on the south side of the channel.

Wall movement threatens the integrity of the creek channel and could result in significant flooding and property damage and, threatening a large diameter sanitary sewer pipe and roadway in the City of South San Francisco. Although the threat, or actual damage, that might occur on this section of Colma Creek would not affect Daly city residents and property owners in a physical sense, the drainage needs of Daly City property owners is served by Colma Creek and Daly City property owners bare a repos ability to down stream property owners in South San Francisco. The planned repairs include removing the existing interlocking concrete sheet piles, excavating and grading the channel bottom, installing a drainage system, and constructing the new reinforced concrete walls and channel bottom.

I urge you to support this request for federal funding to permanently repair the distressed Colma Creek Flood Channel wall and eliminate the threat of further damage to the surrounding infrastructure and community. From Maria de Monte de Legis de 1996 - Gregoria de Caracteria de Labora de Caracteria de Labora de Caracteria de Caracteria de Caracteria de C

Sincerely,

Patricia E. Martel City Manager

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