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**1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

Chairman Hernandez called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. Thursday, May 31, 2007. Roll was noted as follows:

Directors present:	Chairman Danny Hernandez Director Janet Saiers Director Ronald D. Brown Director Daniel Lyon
Director excused:	Director Tim Eichenberg
Others present:	John Kelly, Executive Engineer Jackie Bregman, Attorney Staff Other attendees on file at AMAFCA

A quorum was present.

Chairman Hernandez introduced Wendy Vigil, Administrative/Human Resources Manager for the Mid-Region Council of Governments, and thanked MRCOG for allowing AMAFCA to hold the Board meeting at their offices. Ms. Vigil responded graciously.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

There were no changes to the agenda. Mr. Kelly noted that there was a handout on item 7. Director Brown made a motion to approve the agenda. Director Lyon seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**3. Meetings Scheduled**

- a. **June 6, 2007, 1:30 p.m. – Work Study on Project Schedule – at MRCOG**
- b. **June 28, 2007, 10:00 a.m. – Regular Meeting – at MRCOG**
- c. **July 26, 2007, 10:00 a.m. – Regular Meeting – at AMAFCA**

There were no changes to the meetings as scheduled.



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**4. Approval of Minutes**

**a. May 3, 2007**

Director Brown made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 3, 2007, Regular Board Meeting. Director Lyon seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**b. May 10, 2007**

Director Lyon made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2007, Work Study Session. Director Brown seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**c. May 16, 2007**

Director Brown made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2007, Special Meeting. Director Lyon seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**5. Financial Matters**

**a. Approval of April, 2007 Expenditures**

Irene Jeffries, AMAFCA Business Manager, presented the April, 2007 Expenditure Report.

There being no questions, Director Brown made a motion to approve the April, 2007 Expenditure Report. Director Saiers seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**b. Investment Report for April, 2007**

For Information.

**c. Financial Recap April 16, 2007, through May 15, 2007**

For Information.

**d. Financial Forecast May 16, 2007, through June 15, 2007**

Ms. Jeffries presented the Financial Forecast for the period May 16, 2007, through June 15, 2007.



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There being no questions, Director Brown made a motion to approve the Financial Forecast. Director Lyon seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**e. Adoption of Resolution 2007-3, *Budget Adjustments***

Ms. Jeffries stated staff expected a salary savings due to one crew member being on National Guard Duty for most of the fiscal year, and the fact that the Real Estate Manager position was vacant for five months. She requested that the Board transfer \$44,106 from the *Salaries and Payroll Expenses* line item to the *Other Operating Expenses* line item in order to cover the increase in costs of the AMAFCA Office Tenant Improvements Project. As the total budget amount remains the same, no approval is necessary from the Department of Finance Administration (DFA).

Director Brown made a motion that the Board adopt Resolution 2007-3, *Budget Adjustments*, and authorize the Chair and Secretary/Treasurer to sign the Resolution. Director Saiers seconded the motion.

In response to a question from Director Saiers about the crew member on duty with the National Guard, Mr. Kelly stated that AMAFCA is required by law to keep the employee's position or an equivalent position open. If he were being paid less at the National Guard, AMAFCA would also pay the difference in his salary. He is also eligible for the same benefits he would receive if he were on full-time duty at AMAFCA. The Personnel and Salary Committee has been kept informed of his situation.

The motion passed (4-0).

**6. Legal – Status Report**

Attorney Jackie Bregman briefed the Board on the status of various legal matters. She reviewed a synopsis of HB823 that she had prepared for the Board. She noted that the legislation requires additional disclosures from the Directors to avoid conflicts of interest. Directors are also prevented from using their position to their financial advantage.

**7. FY-08 Audit – Selection Advisory Committee Recommendation**

Ms. Jeffries stated that three firms had submitted FY-08 Audit proposals. The Selection Advisory Committee (SAC), consisting of Chairman Hernandez, Director Lyon, John Kelly, and Irene Jeffries, met on May 30, 2007, to evaluate the proposals. The SAC recommended the Audit contract be awarded to the highest-ranked firm, Ricci & Company, LLC, to perform audit services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007. She added that the contract will be subject to approval by the New Mexico State Auditor.



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Mr. Kelly noted that AMAFCA will need to amend the budget to reflect the amount of this contract, as the price is higher than the price of the previous auditor, Chester W. Mattocks. He added that some of the staff now with Ricci & Company were employed by the auditor AMAFCA used prior to Mr. Mattocks.

Director Lyon noted that every member of the SAC, working independently, had ranked Ricci & Company highest.

Director Saiers made a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation, and authorize the Executive Engineer to negotiate a contract with Ricci & Company, LLC, to perform the audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, subject to approval by the New Mexico State Auditor. Director Brown seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**8. Personnel Matters – Personnel and Salary Committee Recommendation for FY-08 Cost of Living Allowance, Base Salary Adjustments and Change to Numbers of Allowable Merit Increases**

Mr. Kelly stated the Personnel and Salary Committee (PSC) had met, and recommended that the Board:

1. Approve a Cost of Living increase for all employees of 2.5%, effective July 1, 2007.
2. Budget 2.5% to cover potential merit increases, subject to the restrictions of Resolution 2000-4 and budgetary restrictions.
3. Modify Exhibit B "Merit Pay Changes" of Resolution 2000-4 to increase by one the number of employees in each category eligible for a 3-5% merit increase, and to increase the total number of employees.
4. Approve base salary adjustments for equipment operator, leadman/welder, and truck driver positions. This increase will allow AMAFCA to remain competitive with the City. The PSC also recommend the Board approve increases in the base salary levels for Real Estate Manager and Business Manager.
5. Approve a 10% increase in pay for the Maintenance Superintendent to bring this position to the market rate. This increase is to be effective November 20, 2007, one year after the prior increase.
6. As one crew member will be on National Guard duty through September, and likely will have this duty extended another year at that time, and as two maintenance employees are headed towards retirement (May 2008 and another within four years), the PSC recommended that another driver be hired now. The position vacated by the first retirement will be filled internally. The resulting vacancy on the crew would not be filled.



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Director Brown, Chair of the PSC, stated that staff had made several recommendations to the PSC, and that he and Chairman Hernandez had recommended item six to staff, which avoids the difficulties of hiring a temporary employee.

Chairman Hernandez concurred, and stated that recommendation six would avoid the crew being more than one member short.

Responding to a question from Director Saiers about training so that existing crew members would have an opportunity for advancement, Mr. Kelly stated that one crew member is currently taking classes at CNM to enhance his supervisory skills. The Maintenance Superintendent and Field Engineer also work with crew members to ensure equipment certification, and employ job rotation to keep skills current. Training through outside sources is reimbursed by AMAFCA.

Director Lyon endorsed the sixth recommendation and upward mobility. He noted that the changes to base salary were based on prevailing rates. He pointed out that the Real Estate Manager and Business Manager would have the same base salaries, although the Business Manager had been with AMAFCA for many years and the Real Estate Manager was a new hire.

Mr. Kelly stated that it was the recommendation of the Personnel and Salary Committee to raise the base salary level of both positions at this time. He had needed PSC approval to make a hire for the Real Estate Manager position.

Director Brown commented that the employees in both positions were experienced. Some of that experience had been gained at AMAFCA, and some in related positions elsewhere.

Director Saiers made a motion that the Board approve the recommendations of the Personnel and Salary Committee. Director Brown seconded the motion, which passed (3-1). Director Lyon voted against the motion.

***Consent Agenda:***

Mr. Kelly briefly summarized each of the items on the Consent Agenda. Questions were answered where noted. Item 12 was considered separately from the rest of the items on the consent agenda.

Director Saiers expressed regret that the Bregman Law Firm would no longer be serving as AMAFCA's general counsel. Ms. Bregman replied, stating that the Bregman Law Firm had enjoyed serving AMAFCA, but was finding its practice headed in new directions. The firm would be available for a smooth transition with the new General Legal Counsel.



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**12. Authorization to Issue Request For Proposals for General Legal Counsel Services**

The memo from Mr. Kelly stated the Request for Proposals for General Legal Counsel Services was the same as that issued in 2005. He asked for Board input on the RFP, and approval to advertise the RFP.

Director Lyon pointed out that hiring a law firm experienced in inter-governmental affairs would be advantageous to AMAFCA.

After discussion, Chairman Hernandez suggested changing the list of anticipated areas of law to reflect this. He recommended reducing the category of Environmental/Water Law to 10 percent, and adding a new category, Inter-governmental Affairs, at 10 percent.

The Board concurred with this change.

Director Lyon made a motion that the Board authorize the advertisement of the Request for Proposals for General Counsel Services, with changes in the percent effort for Environmental/Water Law and Inter-governmental Affairs as discussed. Director Brown seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**9. Award of Bid for Pipe Rail**

The memo from Kurt Wagener, AMAFCA Field Engineer, stated six suppliers had submitted bids for pipe rail; however, one of the bids was rejected as it did not meet specifications. He recommended the bid be awarded to Ranchero Builders Supply Co. in the amount of \$15,055.30.

**10. Authorization to Advertise AMAFCA Signage Project**

The memo from Mr. Kelly stated that Sites Southwest had developed AMAFCA Project signage to more clearly identify AMAFCA multi-use facilities. The first phase of the project involves two large signs and one small sign at the North Domingo Baca Dam. He requested Board approval to advertise for the first phase.

**11. General Legal Counsel Services – Extension of Contract**

The memo from Mr. Kelly stated that the Bregman Law Firm did not wish to extend their General Legal Counsel Services contract for another year. They agreed to stay on until another General Counsel has been procured, to include a reasonable transition period, with such extension not to exceed six months.



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There being no more items on the Consent Agenda, Director Brown made a motion that the Board:

- Award the Pipe Rail bid to Ranchero Builders Supply Co. and authorize the Executive Engineer to execute a purchase order for the purchase of 2" steel pipe in the amount of \$15,055.30;
- Authorize the Executive Engineer to advertise for bids for the first phase of AMAFCA Project Signage; and
- Extend the contract with the Bregman Law Firm for General Legal Counsel Services until new General Counsel has been procured, to include a reasonable transition period, with such extension not to exceed six months.

Director Lyon seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

***Regular Agenda:***

**13. Pino Dam Emergency Spillway Modifications – Consideration of Turnkey Agreement with William Galbreth**

Director Brown excused himself from discussion on this item, returning after the vote

Mr. Kelly introduced Dr. William Galbreth, and his engineer, Craig Hoover of Bohannon Huston, Inc.

Mr. Kelly stated that the Board had been briefed on the technical aspects of Dr. Galbreth's proposal at the May 3, 2007 Board meeting. The Board had also reviewed a draft of the turnkey agreement at that meeting.

Mr. Kelly stated that the basic elements of the turnkey agreement were that Dr. Galbreth would fund all design, analysis, and construction of the improvements, and AMAFCA will assume structural maintenance of those improvements as part of a new grade control structure in the spillway. Staff recommended the agreement be approved.

Director Saiers made a motion that the Board approve the Turnkey Agreement for Pino Dam Emergency Spillway Modifications and authorize the Chair to execute the Turnkey Agreement on behalf of AMAFCA. Chairman Hernandez seconded the motion.

After brief discussion, the motion passed (3-0). Director Brown was not present for the vote.



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**14. West I-40 Diversion Channel Extension – Report on Final Changes to Agreement with Westland Devco, L.P.**

Jerry Lovato, AMAFCA Drainage Engineer, introduced Leroy Chavez and Fred Ambrogi, of SunCal.

Mr. Lovato stated the Board had requested further information on the ownership of the property involved in the agreement with Westland Devco, L.P., for the West I-40 Diversion Channel Extension, as well as the source of the funds involved in the agreement.

He stated that, based on a warranty deed provided to AMAFCA, the temporary and permanent drainage easements identified in the agreement are contained within large tracts of land described in the warranty deed, and which are owned by Westland Devco, L.P.

Ms. Bregman gave the details of the transactions that occurred in the formation of Westland Devco, L.P. She concluded that most of the assets in general, and all of the real property mentioned in the agreement, are held by Westland Devco, L.P., and that Westland Devco, L.P., is the proper party to sign the agreement. She stated that staff had been provided with the appropriate signature block for use in the agreement.

Mr. Lovato stated that staff will continue to update the Board as information becomes available.

**15. McCoy Channels – Consideration of Agreement with the Larkin Group for Design and Specifications Update and Construction Engineering Services**

Mr. Lovato introduced John Andrews, of the Larkin Group, and stated that the Board had approved the selection of the Larkin Group, NM, Inc., for the McCoy Dam Diversion Channels Project at the January, 2007, Board meeting. Staff had negotiated a contract amount to complete the final design of the McCoy Channels. Once a final design has been completed, staff will be back to the Board for approval of Construction Management Services.

Mr. Kelly added that this agreement contained one non-typical element. As a part of this contract, Larkin will take conceptual plan sheets from a previously-prepared FEMA CLOMR submittal and bring them up to AMAFCA standards for inclusion in the contract documents.

Ms. Bregman pointed out some unclear language in the indemnification section, paragraph 10(d) on page 8, and stated she would revise this before this agreement and the similar agreement for the Johniece Storm Drain are signed.



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Director Saiers made a motion that the Board approve the Agreement with Larkin Group, NM, Inc., to provide Professional Engineering Services for the McCoy Channels Project on a lump sum/time and materials basis not to exceed \$101,166.00, plus New Mexico Gross Receipts Tax. Director Lyon seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

Director Saiers left the meeting at 10:55 a.m., stating she would return soon.

**16. Johniece Storm Drains – Consideration of Agreement with Bohannan Huston, Inc. for Study, Design, Right of Way Identification and Construction Engineering Services**

Mr. Lovato introduced Craig Hoover, of Bohannan Huston, Inc.

Mr. Lovato stated that the Board had approved the selection of Bohannan Huston, Inc., for the Johniece Storm Drains Project at the January, 2007, Board meeting. The negotiated agreement for Study, Design, Right of Way Identification and Construction Engineering Services was provided to the Board. The indemnification paragraph in this agreement will be modified before signature.

Mr. Lovato stated this agreement also includes a CLOMR/LOMR submittal. Another additional cost will be obtaining the Office of the State Engineer's approval before discharging to the McCoy Dam.

Director Lyon made a motion that the Board approve the Agreement with Bohannan Huston, Inc., to provide Professional Engineering Services for the Johniece Storm Drains Project on a time and materials basis not to exceed \$137,912.50, plus New Mexico Gross Receipts Tax. Director Brown seconded the motion, which passed (3-0).

**17. Executive Engineer's Contracting Authority**  
**a. Review and Discussion on Proposed Changes to AMAFCA Resolution 1997-12, *Executive Engineer's Contracting Authority***

Mr. Kelly stated that, at the May 16, 2007, Board meeting, the Board reviewed on-call contracting practices, and requested staff to review appropriate procurement regulations so the Board could consider changing the Executive Engineer's contracting authority. After reviewing recent changes in the Procurement Code, staff recommended the following changes to Resolution 1997-12:

- Increase the Executive Engineer's limit for small purchases and contracts from \$5,000 to \$20,000, consistent with the State Procurement Code.



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- Allow the Executive Engineer to authorize on-call services task orders up to \$75,000, with the provision that any work assignment that would exceed \$75,000 be a separate procurement via a project-specific request for proposals.
- Provide for specific written notification to the Board for approval of any on-call task order greater than \$20,000.

He added that the limits for existing bid items on construction contracts and for utility relocations would not be changed.

Consensus of the Board was support of the proposed changes.

Mr. Kelly stated that a resolution would be brought before the Board for their approval at the June 28, 2007, Board meeting.

**b. Review and Discussion and Proposed Changes to AMAFCA Procurement Regulations**

Mr. Kelly stated that staff had reviewed AMAFCA's Procurement Regulation and found that several limits in the State Procurement Code had changed since 1999. Staff suggested the following changes to the AMAFCA Procurement Regulation to make it consistent with the State Procurement Code:

Small Purchases

1. Purchases up to \$5,000 (raised from \$1,500) – Best Price.
2. Purchases from \$5,000 to \$20,000 (raised from a range of \$3,000 to \$5,000) – Three written bids.
3. Purchases over \$20,000 (raised from \$5,000) – Competitive Sealed Bids, Approval by the Board.

Professional Services

1. Professional Services under \$30,000 (raised from \$20,000).

Consensus of the Board was support of the proposed changes. Mr. Kelly stated the revised Procurement Regulation would be brought back to the Board for their approval in June.

Chairman Hernandez called a recess at 11:00 a.m. The meeting resumed at 11:17 a.m. Chairman Hernandez stated that item 20 would be heard before the Budget items.



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**20. Sacate Blanco Channel – Briefing on Proposed Property Exchange with Salazar Trust**

Loren J. Hines, AMAFCA Real Estate Manager, introduced Tom Salazar, representing the Salazar Family Trust.

Mr. Hines stated that AMAFCA's Sacate Blanco Channel was constructed based on the original Amole-Hubbell Drainage Management Plan. It was designed to gather flows from the west and direct them to the Amole Dam. Recent upstream developments have taken flows to new storm drains that direct the water south to the Rio Bravo Channel, bypassing the Sacate Blanco Channel. The nine-acre Sacate Blanco Channel is potentially surplus to AMAFCA's needs. It is surrounded by lands owned by the Salazar Family Trust.

Mr. Hines added that the parcels owned by the Salazar Family Trust include a nineteen-acre parcel adjacent to AMAFCA's Guac Detention Basin site. The City of Albuquerque is interested in a potential regional park using the Guac Detention Basin and a portion of the nineteen-acre parcel. Initial discussions have begun regarding a property exchange with AMAFCA, with the City participating financially in the exchange. AMAFCA would retain approximately nine acres of the parcel, and the City would receive approximately ten acres.

Mr. Hines stated discussions were ongoing. Issues to be resolved include tax implications, access, the value of the respective parcels, and AMAFCA dedicating a portion of Unser where it crosses AMAFCA-owned property at the Amole Arroyo.

Mr. Kelly added that the larger tract, adjacent to the Guac Detention Basin, would provide needed storage capacity in that location, with enough land to be able to provide a multi-use facility. The City is interested in annexing the Guac Detention Basin and Amole Dam sites into the City. He stated the next step would be to obtain a limited appraisal of the properties to determine if an exchange agreement could be negotiated.

Director Saiers returned to the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

In response to a question from Director Lyon, Mr. Hines stated AMAFCA would essentially trade nine acres for nine acres, and the City would essentially purchase the other ten acres. However, if the ten acres were too expensive, they may decline to participate. Director Lyon commented that the Salazar property would be more developable if the Secate Blanco Channel did not bisect the property.

After further discussion, Chairman Hernandez appointed a Real Estate Committee, consisting of Directors Saiers and Lyon, and asked them to visit the site and report back to the Board.



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Mr. Salazar stated he was open to further discussion of the proposal, and would be glad to meet with the Real Estate Committee to view the properties.

**18. FY 2008 Budget**

**a. Operating Budget**

Ms. Jeffries stated the Board's comments had been incorporated into the FY 2008 Operating Fund Budget. She reminded the Board that the budget will be adjusted to increase the amount for the audit to match the audit proposal accepted by the Board earlier. She asked the Board to approve the FY 08 Operating Budget. She stated that the summary pages would be sent, along with the Budget Resolution, to the Department of Finance Administration (DFA) for their approval.

In response to a question from Chairman Hernandez, Ms. Jeffries stated that some individual line items were not increased because it was not anticipated that extraordinary expenses would be experienced in FY08, as was experienced in FY07. Mr. Kelly added that it was not expected that AMAFCA would spend as much irrigating in FY08 as it had in FY07, due to various improvements and a different weather pattern.

Director Brown made a motion that the Board approve the FY 2008 Operating Fund Budget, with the summary page along with the Budget Resolution to be submitted to DFA for approval. Director Lyon seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**b. Construction Fund Budget**

Mr. Kelly stated that the Board's comments had been incorporated into the FY 2008 Construction Fund Budget. He added that the Construction Fund Budget is not as tied into the calendar year as the Operating Fund Budget. It is possible to delay certain projects to bring in higher priority projects if the need arises mid-year. All anticipated projects are listed. The summary pages would be submitted to the DFA for their approval.

After brief discussion, Director Lyon made a motion that the Board approve the FY 2008 Construction Fund Budget for submittal to DFA by June 1, 2007. Director Saiers seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).



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**c. Contingency Fund Budget**

Ms. Jeffries stated the FY 2008 Contingency Fund Budget was modified to include the reserve designations discussed at the last meeting. She asked that the Board approve the FY 08 Contingency Fund Budget.

Director Lyon made a motion that the Board approve the FY 2008 Contingency Fund Budget. Director Brown seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**d. Debt Service Fund Budget**

Ms. Jeffries stated that the Board's comments had been incorporated into the budget. She asked that the Board approve the FY08 Debt Service Fund Budget.

Director Saiers made a motion that the Board approve the FY 2008 Debt Service Fund Budget. Director Lyon seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**e. Adoption of Resolution 2007-4, *Modifications to Reserved Amounts in the Contingency Fund***

Mr. Kelly stated Resolution 2007-4, *Modifications to Reserved Amounts in the Contingency Fund*, modifies the fenced funds as discussed at the last meeting. He recommended that it be adopted by the Board.

Director Brown made a motion that the Board adopt Resolution 2007-4, *Modifications to Reserved Amounts in the Contingency Fund*. Director Lyon seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**f. Adoption of Resolution 2007-5, *Approval of FY-08 Budget***

Ms. Jeffries stated Resolution 2007-5, *Approval of FY-08 Budget*, would be sent to the Department of Finance Administration for approval, along with the summary pages of the budgets. She asked the Board to adopt the resolution.

Director Brown made a motion that the Board adopt Resolution 2007-5, *Fiscal Year 2008 Budget*, and authorize the Chair and Secretary to sign. Director Saiers seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).



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**19. AMAFCA Equipment**

**a. Authorization to Advertise for Bids for Compact Track Loader**

Kurt Wagener, AMAFCA Field Engineer, stated technical specifications for the budgeted Compact Track Loader were being developed. He asked for authorization to advertise for the Compact Track Loader

Director Brown made a motion that the Board authorize the Executive Engineer to advertise for bids for a Compact Track Loader with implements. Director Saiers seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**b. Authorization to Advertise for Bids for Rough Haul Trailer**

Mr. Wagener stated technical specifications were being developed for the budgeted Rough Haul End Dump Trailer. He asked for authorization to advertise for the Rough Haul End Dump Trailer.

Director Brown made a motion that the Board authorize the Executive Engineer to advertise for bids for a Rough Haul End Dump Trailer. Director Saiers seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

**21. Field Highlights**

- a. Construction Report**
- b. Field Report**

In response to a query from Director Saiers, Dan Hogan, Manager of the Hydrology Division for the City of Albuquerque, gave the Board a brief update on the Barelás/Tingley Park Surge Pond. He stated the excavation of the surge pond was essentially complete, with some small sections remaining. The storm drain connection at the corner of Atlantic and 8th, on the southeast corner of the pond, had been made. The inverted siphon had been removed. The pond would function as a surge pond if it were to rain today, although the inlet/outlet structure had not yet been completed. The park design is about 90% complete, and the City would probably begin construction of park improvements in August or September.

Mr. Hogan added that the bar screen upgrade at the Barelás Pump Station had been delivered, and would be installed the next day. Construction of the diversion at Iron and 14th had begun, and was expected to be complete within two weeks. The diversion will divert water from the Barelás Pump Station to the Alcalde Pump Station. Preliminary plans were being developed



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for a pond near Odelia and Broadway in Martineztown. He stated the City is committed to have functional storm facilities in place by the beginning of the storm season this summer.

Staff presented a slide show of current AMAFCA projects.

Mr. Wagener stated that the Calabacillas Bank Protection Project, from Eagle Ranch to Coors, was progressing satisfactorily. He showed pictures of the Embudo Floor Replacement Project, stating that the contractor is pouring over 100 CY of concrete per day.

He briefly commented on photos of the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority's Raw Water Project, RMCI's Water Project (boring under the Tijeras Arroyo near Broadway), and the shotcrete work at Universe Plaza, on the West Branch of the Calabacillas Arroyo near Universe.

Mr. Wagener then showed pictures of the AMAFCA crew fixing erosion at the Parkway Channel. The crew installed recycled highway wall barrier at the base of the slope, and backfilled the slope. Riprap check structures were also installed. It was hoped these improvements would reduce erosion. Other pictures showed the Calabacillas Arroyo downstream of Coors, near the Rio Grande, where over 20,000 CY of sediment had been removed. There is now a pilot channel to the Rio Grande. The USGS gauge has been reset to its original level.

He also commented on 58,000 CY of sediment removal at the South Diversion Channel Outfall. Sediment haulout is now complete at that location, and there is a pilot channel all the way to the Rio Grande.

**22. Unfinished Business**

None.

**23. New Business**

None.

**24. Items from the Floor/Public Comment**

Roger Paul, of Bernalillo County, stated that the Ribbon Cutting for the Isleta Phase II Project had been delayed. It has been rescheduled for 11:00 a.m. on Friday, June 22, 2007.

Director Saiers noted she had received a notice of the annual MRCOG awards, and inquired if any AMAFCA projects would be proposed for awards, perhaps the West I-40 Diversion



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Channel Project. Mr. Kelly replied that the West I-40 Project, as a joint project between AMAFCA, the City of Albuquerque, and the Water Authority, would be a good project to submit for an award as it would honor all three public agencies. Mr. Lovato stated he would take care of the submittal.

**25. Adjourn**

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Hernandez adjourned the meeting at 12:01 p.m.

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Tim Eichenberg, Secretary-Treasurer 6/28/07

Recorded by Pam Woodruff, Secretary to the Executive Engineer