

**MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
CARMEL RIVER ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
COMMITTEE CHARGE**

*As adopted by the Board of Directors on December 12, 2005*

1. Primary Function

The Carmel River Advisory Committee provides recommendations to the District Board of Directors with regard to management of the Carmel River, and its riparian corridor and to any matter referred to the committee. (Rule 120.A MPWD Rules and Regulations)

2. Process

The Carmel River Advisory Committee meets as needed to review and provide guidance related to management of the Carmel River and its riparian corridor. The Carmel River Advisory Committee meets the definition of a “legislative body” as defined by the Brown Act; therefore, all meetings shall be noticed and open to the public in compliance with the Brown Act.

3. Composition and Structure

- a. The Carmel River Advisory Committee shall be comprised of seven (7) members. Each Director of the District shall appoint one member to this advisory committee. Appointed committee members shall serve a term of two (2) years, which term shall expire on June 30, or on the date the appointing Director vacates office as a member of the MPWMD board of Directors, whichever shall first occur. A vacancy shall be created by resignation or in the event a committee member fails to attend three (3) consecutive regular meetings without good cause as determined by the Board of Directors. Nomination to fill any vacancy or to reappoint any committee member shall be made by the Director’s seat which exercised the original appointment to that position. At the first meeting held in each fiscal year, the committee shall elect a chairperson and vice-chairperson to preside at committee meetings. The committee may adopt rules governing the conduct of its meetings. (Rule 120.B.1 MPWMD Rules and Regulations.)
- b. Committee members shall be required to reside within the boundaries of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District and shall be knowledgeable about issues relating to the Carmel River. Carmel Valley residents shall be given priority in the selection of committee members. Any committee members currently sitting in a position on the committee shall be allowed to complete their term of duty, regardless of their place of residence. (Rule 120.B.3 MPWMD Rules and Regulations.)
- c. A quorum of four (4) Carmel River Advisory Committee members shall be required for an official meeting to be conducted. Action may be taken by majority vote of those Carmel River Advisory Committee members present.
- d. The General Manager or other designated staff member(s) shall provide support as appropriate.

4. Responsibilities of the Committee

- a. Review the portion of the Five-Year Mitigation Program plans, activities, and budgets related to erosion protection, channel restoration, and protection and enhancement of the riparian corridor along the Carmel River. Make recommendations regarding priorities, suitability, and scheduling of these activities.
- b. Review the effectiveness of the District's streambank restoration program, and make recommendations.
- c. Examine the practical difficulties of implementing erosion protection and riparian corridor restoration projects, and make recommendations to streamline the project development process and to encourage property owners to participate in streambank restoration.
- d. Assist staff in gaining the cooperation of riverfront property owners for carrying out District erosion protection and riparian corridor restoration projects.
- e. Assist staff in public education related to matters for which the Committee has advisory oversight.
- f. Participate in review of Carmel River activities associated with the District's Integrated Regional Water Management Plan.
- g. Advise the Board of Directors as to any matter referred to the Committee by the Board.

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