



21. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF A NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND THE SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 181 AMENDING DISTRICT RULES AND REGULATIONS TO MODIFY THE EXTENT OF THE CARMEL RIVER RIPARIAN CORRIDOR

Meeting Date: May 20, 2019

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#### CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT



- Proposed Negative Declaration for the project was presented at the February 21, 2019 Board Meeting
- Notice of Intent to adopt a Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration was published by MPWMD on February 26, 2019 and by the State Clearinghouse on February 28, 2019.
- Written comments were received from CALTRANS,
  California Department of Fish and Wildlife, and the
  Native American Heritage Commission
- None of the comments required changing the proposed ordinance
- No request for consultation or comments were received from the Ohlone/Costanoan-Esselen Indian Nation



### CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT



- The Board must consider the entire CEQA record in making a decision
- In making a final determination about this project, the Board is relying on the Carmel River Management Program Environmental Impact Report adopted by the Board in 1984; the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration described in the February 21, 2019 meeting packet; written responses to comments received in writing and responses to any comments received at the May 20, 2019 meeting (CEQA Section 15153)



## PROPOSED ORDINANCE 181



- The February Board packet contained a draft showing the final version of Ordinance 181, including proposed new language, but not the text proposed to be deleted
- The first reading of the Revised Draft Ordinance was on April 15, 2019
- The April draft contains both proposed additions and deletions to District Rules
- No oral comments were received from the public at the February or April meetings
- The only change from the April version to the May version is to add language to publish River Work Permits



# Recommendations



- 1. Respond to any written or oral comments during the Public Hearing and close the Public Hearing.
- 2. Approve the Draft Mitigative Negative Declaration and direct staff to prepare a Final Mitigated Negative Declaration incorporating comments and responses.
- 3. Adopt Ordinance 181.
- 4. Direct staff to post a Notice of Determination (including paying Monterey County fees).





## FOR MORE INFORMATION

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