Pajaro River Flood Risk Reduction Project

Project Status Update

Water Advisory Commission April 7, 2021





Long History of Planning with Numerous Project Alternatives Considered

■ Long history of project planning, numerous stops and starts.

1990 WRDA Re-Examine Pajaro Project

1992-1994 Corps Recon Alternatives

2001-2002 Locally Preferred Plans

2003-2004 Corps Alternative Plans



2007-2010 Recommended Corps Project (NED)

August 2014 Conversion to SMART Planning

October 2017 Draft Feasibility Study

December 2019
Director's Report
and Final Feasibility
Study



The path to implementation (Federal update):

Director's Report Dec. 12, 2019 **Federal** appropriation bill carve-out language Dec. 20, 2019 **Advocacy trip to DC** Jan. 7-10, 2020 FY20 Work Plan appropriations -\$1.8M Feb. 7-14, 2020

- PED, Design Agreement,Section 221 crediting
- Ongoing issues with BCR

FY21 Work Plan appropriations - \$2.815M
January 2020



Pajaro Regional Flood Management Agency (PRFMA)

- JPA Agreements by all member agencies recently adopted (Jan/Feb 2021)
- Act as local sponsor
- Provide assurances to State and Feds for OMRR&R
- **□** Finance and lead implementation



The path to implementation:

- Establish JPA
- **■** Execute Design Agreement and begin PED phase with the USACE
- Pursue State Subventions Agreement and cost share enhancement legislation
- CEQA environmental review
- Prop 218



Questions?

