

Public Meeting

Thursday, April 19, 2007

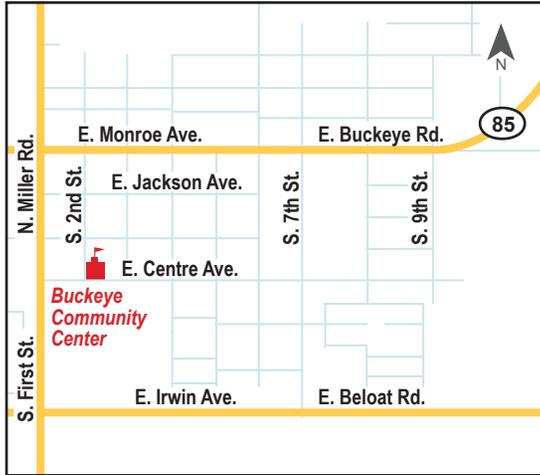
6:00–8:00 P.M.

Presentation at 6:30 P.M.

Buckeye Community Center

201 East Centre Avenue

Buckeye, AZ 85326



Contact

Valerie Swick, EIT PH CFM

Project Manager

Flood Control District of Maricopa County

2801 W. Durango Street

Phoenix, AZ 85009

Phone (602) 506-2929

E-mail: vas@mail.maricopa.gov

Project Web site

If you are unable to attend the public meeting please visit the project Web site at:

www.fcd.maricopa.gov/ads/BuckeyeADMP.htm

All materials presented at the public meeting will be available online.

Flood Control District of Maricopa County

2801 West Durango Street

Phoenix, Arizona 85009



April 2007

Buckeye Area Drainage Master Plan



Public Meeting Announcement

Thursday, April 19, 2007

6:00–8:00 P.M.

Buckeye Community Center

201 East Centre Avenue

Buckeye, AZ

Supervisor:

Max Wilson, District 4

Mary Rose Wilcox, District 5

www.fcd.maricopa.gov



Buckeye Area Drainage Master Plan

Introduction

Since its inception in 1959, the Flood Control District of Maricopa County (District) has provided flood control services to County residents in order to ensure public safety and to protect property from flooding. Preparing Area Drainage Master Plans (ADMP) is one method the District uses to meet these goals. With the majority of Buckeye under rapid development, the time to plan for the future is now. Please help plan for your community's future by attending the upcoming public meeting scheduled from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on April 19, 2007, at the Buckeye Community Center. During the meeting, the study team will introduce the Buckeye ADMP and allow the public to comment.

Project Overview

The ADMP boundary limits are approximately Airport Road on the east, Interstate 10 on the north, the Gila River on the south, and the Hassayampa River on the west. This area encompasses approximately 103 square miles, which includes unincorporated Maricopa County, portions of the Town of Buckeye, and federal and state-owned land.

The purpose of the Buckeye ADMP is to identify drainage problems and develop cost-effective alternatives to alleviate or manage flooding in the Buckeye area. To accomplish this, the Buckeye ADMP will utilize the information developed in the Buckeye/Sun Valley Area Drainage Master Study and further develop the flood hazard mitigation strategy that developers, individual property owners, and jurisdictions can use as a guide.

The project began on January 8, 2007, and will extend through March 2009. The Buckeye ADMP is divided into three stages. During Stage 1, Existing Conditions Analysis, the District will identify flooding and drainage problems; evaluate the environment, and scenic, recreation and open space resources; and coordinate with stakeholders and the community. During Stage 2, Alternatives Analysis, the project team will identify and examine alternatives to prevent future flooding. The final alternative will be identified in the Recommended Plan, developed in Stage 3.

Why is this Project Necessary?

The most favorable time to develop an ADMP is before land development significantly impacts the characteristics of the watershed. By preparing an ADMP before more development occurs in the Buckeye area, costs can be minimized, and conflicts and concerns can be identified. Floodplain managers, planners, developers, and land owners can use and implement the Buckeye ADMP for

planning and designing flood mitigation solutions and help guide and/or regulate development. In order to accomplish the objectives of this study, the ADMP will be developed with the coordination and cooperation of the public and stakeholders.

Next Steps

The next steps are to complete Stage 1 and incorporate information obtained through the public meeting with the results of the data collection and existing conditions analysis. After the flood and erosion hazards are identified, the alternatives to mitigate (reduce) flooding will be developed, evaluated, and presented to the public at a future public meeting. Input from the public and stakeholders will be used to develop and select the alternatives that become the basis of the ADMP.

Why Your Input Counts

The District encourages all property owners and residents living within the study area to attend the next public meeting to share experiences, issues

and photos of past flooding in their area. At the public meeting, the public will have the opportunity to talk informally and specifically with project team members and receive updates about the Buckeye ADMP. The public will also have the opportunity to provide feedback on preferred flood protection methods.

