



January 24, 2023

TO: LOCSD Board of Directors
FROM: Ron Munds, General Manager

SUBJECT: Agenda Item 2B - 01/24/2023 Board Meeting
Update on the Vista de Oro Incident

SUMMARY OF STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Receive update and provide direction to staff as needed.

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On January 9, 2023, the Cabrillo storm water detention basin experienced a breach in the basin wall which caused significant damage to the Vista de Oro neighborhood. At the January 12, 2023 emergency meeting, the Board committed to holding weekly meetings to receive updates on the incident and provide an opportunity to residents to communicate directly with the Board and staff. The last special meeting was held on January 17th where staff reported on the volunteer efforts by citizens to assist homeowners, the efforts made to secure the basin from future overflows and the debris disposal containers and dirt removal efforts in the impacted neighborhood.

During the last week, volunteer help, fundraising and donations of food and materials has continued. The following are some of the additional activities from the last week:

- FEMA Disaster Survivor Assistance team went door to door to assist residents in applying for assistance and identifying immediate unmet needs.
- Red Cross toured the neighborhood, again assessing needs.
- The District's insurance carrier sent a third-party civil engineer and insurance adjuster to assess the damage.
- People Helping People, a community non-profit, got involved and provided immediate monetary relief to several homeowners.
- The District submitted the first round of paperwork to FEMA for the estimated cost for the temporary and the upcoming emergency repair work on the basin.
- The State and County are establishing debris removal locations and are offering support for the District's efforts with roll-off containers on Vista Court.

Additionally, FEMA and Cal OES will be opening a Disaster Recovery Center and Local Assistance Center on January 24 at 12:00 pm. Details include:

- The DRC/LAC will be open seven days a week, from 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM at the Veterans Memorial Building, 801 Grand Ave in San Luis Obispo.
- It will include representatives from departments/agencies such as: County Behavioral Health, Environmental Health, and Planning and Building; DMV, IRS, insurance services, legal assistance, and non-profits. Information from the Ag Commissioner, County Assessor and Clerk Recorder will also be available. Spanish and ASL services will be present.
- If any residents need transportation to the DRC/LAC, they can call County OES at (805) 781-5678 to arrange transportation.