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Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2016 7:19 AM
To: Richard Brody
Cc: Robert Gomez; Frank Wu
Subject: Ballona Wetlands - Pump Plant?

Brody,

This email is in response to your question of whether the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD) would be willing to construct and/or assume responsibility for the operation and maintenance of a pump plant for the Ballona Wetlands.

Based on our preliminary understanding of the proposed pump plant, it would be very difficult to justify that this pump plant is needed for flood control or water conservation improvements for the following reasons:

1. The proposed pump plant will serve an area where there are no current flooding issues.
2. Pump plants have very high construction and O&M costs.
3. The storm drains draining the Freshwater Marsh are owned and operated by the City of Los Angeles not the LACFCD.

We would not be able to make an official determination without a formal proposal, but for the reasons outlined above it is very unlikely the LACFCD would be willing to construct or take on maintenance responsibility for such a facility.

Please let me know if you would like to discuss further.

Regards,

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