

## Improving Flood Control in San Mateo County's Areas of Responsibility

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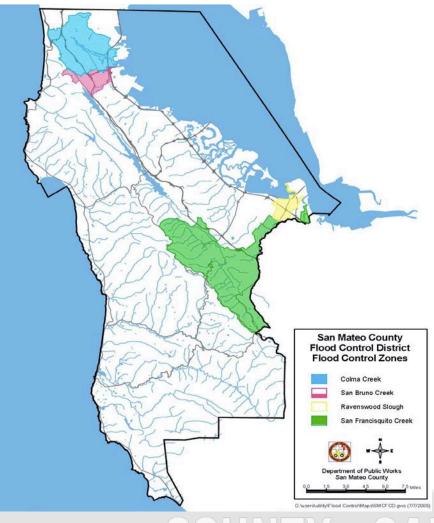


## San Mateo County Flood Control District Areas of Responsibility and Funding

- San Mateo County Flood Control District (SMCFCD) created in 1959 (Cal. Water Code Appendix, Chapter 87)
- SMCFCD encompasses entire County area
- Funding available in three subzones:
  - Colma Creek, approx. \$2.5M to \$3M per year
  - San Bruno Creek, approx. \$200,000 to \$250,000 per year
  - San Francisquito Creek, approx. \$250,000 to \$300,000 per year
- Funding derived from a portion of the 1% property tax that was in place in 1978 when Prop 13 passed
- Funding structure similar to majority of other Bay Area county flood control districts
- No funding available outside of subzones



## San Mateo County Flood Control District Areas of Responsibility



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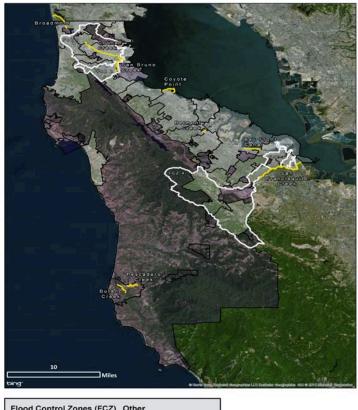
## Identified Areas with Flooding Issues Outside of Three Subzones

- Bayfront Canal (North Fair Oaks, Atherton, Redwood City)
- Belmont Creek (Harbor Industrial Area, Belmont, San Carlos)
- Coyote Point (City of San Mateo)
- Navigable Slough (San Bruno, South San Francisco)
- Vista Grande Canal (Broadmoor Village, Daly City)
- Butano/Pescadero Creek Watershed (Pescadero)
- Ancillary Issue Expanded Creek Flow Monitors





## Expanded San Mateo County Flood Control District – Areas Identified for Work



Flood Control Zones (FCZ) Other

 1
 Colma Creek
 Project Areas

 2
 San Bruno Creek
 Unincorporated Areas

 3
 Ravenswood Slough
 Cities

 4
 San Francisquito Creek
 Cities

 FCZ Boundary
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 Control

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## Belmont Creek at 101 – January 19, 2016



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## The Proposal

- Request \$200,000 in FY 15/16 and \$2M per FY over next three FYs
- Retain Program Manager and Technical Support Staff Two Positions Total
- Work on Projects that benefit unincorporated County areas and assets with willing partners
- Aggressively pursue grant funds
- Provide greater presence for San Mateo County in Federal, State, and Regional Issues
- Support C/CAG's Water Committee





# San Francisquito Creek area floodplains and projects

East Palo Alto

Approximate number of parcels in the 100-year floodplains

101

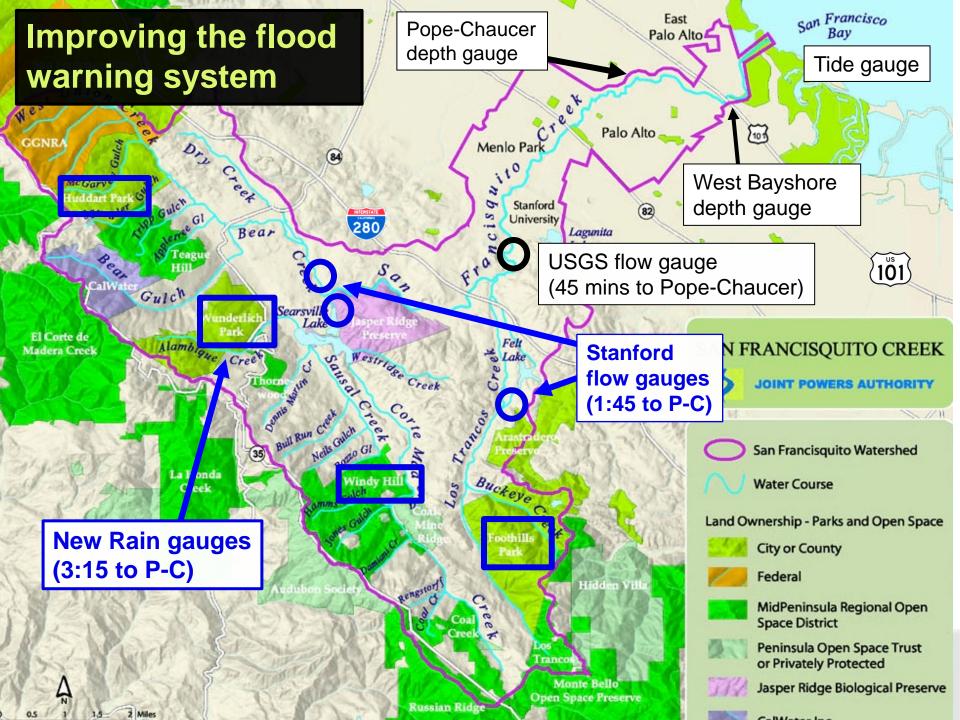
- = Creek floodplain only (3,500 parcels)
- = Bay floodplain only with 3' Sea Level Rise (over 2,700 parcels)

Menlo Park

= Overlap of creek and Bay floodplains (2,200 parcels)









#### SAN FRANCISQUITO CREEK

#### **Flood Early Warning System**



FLOOD MAP	RECEIVE ALERTS	REPORT A PROBLEM	BACKGROUND DATA	ABOUT	PALO ALTO CREEK MONITOR WEBSITE
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November 18, 2015 09:46:07 pm The information on this website updates every 15 minutes — for current conditions, periodically refresh or relaunch this website.

No flooding is anticipated at this time. Should conditions change, this message and the map below will change and a new text/e-mail message will be sent to individuals who requested to receive such alerts using the tab above.

PLEASE NOTE: For specific and timely information regarding emergency response in your community, click on the link under Local Agencies Emergency Websites below. Please do NOT call 9-1-1 unless there is an imminent threat to life or property.



This map is based upon the best available data from gauges, models and past events. Please monitor local conditions and take appropriate action.





FLOOD MAP	RECEIVE ALERTS	REPORT A PROBLEM	BACKGROUND DATA	ABOUT	PALO ALTO CREEK MONITOR WEBSITE	
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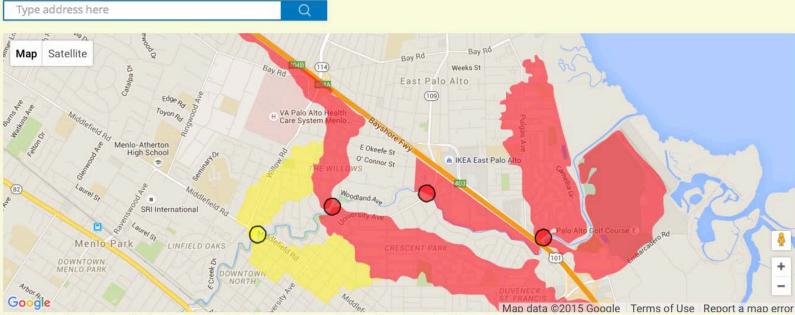
FLOOD WARNING: San Francisquito Creek is expected to flood at the following locations shown as a red circle on the map, which may pose a risk to life and property in areas shaded red.

- >> Pope-Chaucer Bridge
- >> University Avenue Bridge
- >> Highway 101 and areas to the east downstream

FLOOD WATCH: Individuals in and nearby yellow shaded areas on the map below should remain on alert because water flow in San Francisquito has reached 60% of creek capacity at the following locations shown as a yellow circle.

>> Middlefield Road Bridge

\* For location-specific information regarding emergency response, click on the link to your jurisdiction's emergency webpage at lower left. \*



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## What Happens at the End of Year 3?

- Assess progress made to date on enhanced flood control
- Assess available funding sources
- Determine whether support exists to continue work
- Assess options for new agency independent of County





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### Thank You!

### **Questions?**

