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Stillwater – we contracted with Stillwater for revising the Pico Creek Instream Flow Report and updating the Management Plan. This plan was proposed for completion in 2019 but was never funded by the Board. I received the full report on Monday and sent copies off to the County and Coastal Commission. The 138 page report is available on our website.

Pico Stairway – Ian Shoebridge of Ashley Vance came out to provide an update to the safety of the stairway. After his review he sent a letter outlining the current condition, which as we all know is not good

I sent the letter to the Coastal Commission and am waiting for a response. The letter is on our website

Pipe Bridge logjam. With Board approval, removal of the logjam by Paradise Tree Service under the watchful eyes of Padre Assoc is expected in the next several weeks.

Pipe Bridge replacement – The pipe bridge continues to be a significant concern for the district. Ashley-Vance and Earth Systems recommendation remains as before, immediate repair or expedited replacement of the existing structure is critical. I am waiting for a cost estimate. For the project to come from Ashley Vance in anticipation of applying for a grant or loan from the State for replacement.

We had our auditors here last week to complete the 22-23 fiscal year audit. Needless to say, they had a difficult time making sense of the many of the expenses for last year. Their final report will be provided upon receipt

I met with the new County Administrator, Matt Pontes, a little over a week ago. He has only been on the job for a month or so. My meeting was after he asked LAFCO for a pause in the dissolution process. I shared with him why we are requesting this as well as what we are doing to support the process. I'm visiting Supervisor Gibson next week to find out what else we can do to get the dissolution process moving along with the County. Is it possible to have a person work with us to sort out the County and District issues?

Our one year contract with RGS has expired the end of June. Kathy and I feel we are fine without their assistance.