Memorandum

To: Programs, Projects, and Operations Subcommittee **From**: Lori Ann Laster, Stormwater Management Engineer

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Re: Draft 17.43 Public Agency Coordination Policy

Many District projects are primarily designed for flood events or to improve water quality over a long period of time. The District has worked with other local agencies and communities to design these projects to provide multiple benefits for the citizens of the District. Currently, the District has no formal policy stating that projects should be developed in coordination with other agencies or members of the communities.

17.43 District Programs – Public Agency Coordination Policy. The benefits provided by District projects and programs include but not limited to, trail corridors, parks, recreation, and habitat restoration as well as flood mitigation and water quality improvement. All projects and programs undertaken by the District shall conform to the following Public Agency Coordination Policy:

- A. The District will continue to work with communities to manage development in potentially hazardous areas to minimize future flood risk.
- B. The District shall work with communities to manage the impact of future development on water quality in the District's lakes and streams.
- C. The District shall work with the local jurisdiction and surrounding jurisdictions in the planning of new flood control and/or water quality projects. The Community Master Plan of the local jurisdiction shall be incorporated into the planning of the District's project.
- D. When feasible, the District shall include amenities in flood control projects for public access including, but not limited to, trail corridors, park areas, water-based recreation, and/or wildlife habitat.
- E. The District shall continue to maintain and operate the Papillion Creek Watershed Flood Warning System in order to provide data to local entities for decision making purposes and to educate the public regarding flood risk within the watershed.

Management recommends that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board that District Policy 17.43 Public Agency Coordination Policy be adopted.