




INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 20, 2013
 TO: Commissioner Art Torres, President
 THROUGH: Harlan L. Kelly, Jr., General Manager 
 FROM: Steven R. Ritchie, Assistant General Manager, Water
 SUBJECT: Update on Declaration of Emergency/ Repair Water & Sewer Pipelines in the Vicinity of 15th Avenue and Wawona Street

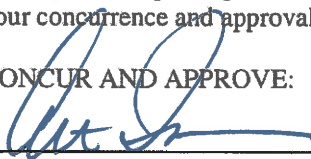
On March 15, 2013 I requested and you approved an emergency declaration regarding the water main break that took place on February 27, 2013 near the intersection of 15th Avenue and Wawona Street. The broken water main inundated the area with large water and mud flows, impacting the street and nearby homes. It was found that major soil subsidence occurred, not only under the street, but also under a number of homes in the area, indicating major soil shifting.

The emergency declaration enabled the Water Enterprise to repair the broken water main, adjacent water mains on 15th Avenue and Wawona, as well as replace the aging sewer line along the same corridor on Wawona Street, between 15th and 16th Avenues, to ensure that the shifting soil does not cause another pipeline rupture in either the water main system or the sewer system. The emergency declaration was for an estimated contract cost of \$1,000,000.

To date, we have contracted for immediate repair of the broken water main and replacement of the local distribution main for a combined total cost of \$155,000 and replacement of the sewer line on Wawona between 15th and 16th Avenues at a cost of \$395,000. We are still in the process of contracting for street and sidewalk repair and repaving. The estimate for that work is \$900,000, resulting in a total estimated emergency contract cost of \$1,450,000.

I am therefore updating the declaration of an emergency. I trust that this meets with your concurrence and approval.

CONCUR AND APPROVE:



Art Torres, President
 San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

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