



RANCHO PALOS VERDES

## City of Rancho Palos Verdes – Program Manager RPV PBL Q&A MEETING AGENDA AND NOTES

Date/Time: March 19, 2025, 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm PST

Topic: **RPV PBL Q&A Meeting**

Attendees: **City of Rancho Palos Verdes:** Ara Mihranian, City Manager; Ramzi Awwad, Director of Public Works; David Copp, Deputy Director of Public Works; Cory Linder; Daniel Trautner; Brandy Forbes; Megan Barnes; Katie Lozano; Juan Hernandez; Brandon Mesker; David Rasor; John Fox (attorney); Jeremiah Sunwoo, Noel Casil, Nic Grillo, David Bradley, Cheri Bailiff, Catherine Jun, Luna Mohammad, Diego Ascencio, Deanna Fraley

**Los Angeles County Disaster Management Area G:** Brandy Villanueva

**California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES):** Anna Hurt

**Cotton, Shires and Associates, Inc.:** Mike Phipps, Contract City Geologist

**Klondike Canyon Landslide Abatement District (KCLAD):** Steve Cummins, Steve Hinchliff

**Abalone Cove Landslide Abatement District (ACLAD):** Gordon Leon

**Seaview Residents Association:** Kit Song, Rayne Sherman, Deirdre Heimer

**Portuguese Bend Community Association (PBCA):** Kent Attridge, Claudia Gutierrez

**Portuguese Beach Club HOA:** Michael Barth, Andrew Ely

**Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy:** Cris Sarabia

**Cal Water:** Ralph Felix, Augie Beaza, Kimberly Caballero

**Southern California Gas Company (SoCal Gas):** Ben Steinberger, Gabriela Medina

**Southern California Edison (SCE):** Celina Luna, Haig Kartounian, Kari Gardner

**Frontier Communications:** Doug McAllister, Ramiro De La Cruz, William Kearns, Stephen McDonald

**Los Angeles County Public Works (LACPW):** Alex Villarama, Robert Swartz, Brian Kane (fire department), Teagan Ferdinandsen, May Hong

**Los Angeles County Sanitation District (LACSD):** Kevin Kim, Michael Chee, Daniel Salama, Ted Brodeur

**Wayfarer's Chapel:** Peter Gottschalk, David Brown

Additional Community Members: Madeleine McJones, Marianne Hunter, Robert Geraci, Sha, Sheri Hastings, Kathy, Karen Miller, Larry Maizlish, Nancy Kalthoff, DB, Rafaela Diaz, Eva Albuja, Shayan Tahmasebi, Nikki Noushkam, Marie Nicholson, Leanne Twidwell, Lenee Bilski, Ray, Shayan Tahmasebi, Tami Podesta

(Note: Those in attendance are in black; not in attendance are in gray)

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Working Group Purpose: *"We are committed to evaluating and addressing every concern the community has for this important initiative. We will look to share information and ideas amongst all the major stakeholders and initiate short-term measures for proactive success. The community has spoken and the City is taking action."*



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<b>DISCUSSION ITEMS</b>	
<p><b>City Update</b> (this could include updates on emergency declaration(s), geological and/or geotechnical, mitigation projects, project funding, and other topics)</p> <p><b>Deep Dewatering Wells (DDW)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Production is down due to pinching of DDWs near the toe of the slide</li> <li>• 2 DDWs Have been pinched and 1 is being re-drilled, the other is scheduled to be redrilled</li> <li>• 1 of the DDWs in the Abalone Cove area has pinched and City Geologists are not recommending redrilling because of its low production and resources would be better spent in other efforts</li> <li>• Q: What are the time frames for completion of redrilling DDWs 1 and 3?</li> <li>• A: DDW 1 drilling is underway and DDW 3 is scheduled right after, about a few days are required to complete each DDW.</li> <li>• Q: Can we store or utilize the water being pumped out from the DDW program?</li> <li>• A: Infrastructure Management Advisory Committee (IMAC) is putting together a study to assess the feasibility of utilizing the extracted water.</li> <li>• Q: Why is the top of the landslide being neglected?</li> <li>• A: The PBL area does not have drainage infrastructure so the water would not make it down the hill and with limited resources, other areas had to be prioritized. The city is trying to take a balanced approach to a very large affected area and as more resources become available, more can be done.</li> <li>• Q: Why cant water markers be used at the top of the landslide to have a better understanding of where the water is coming from?</li> <li>• A: A water testing and hydrology study is underway, and the results will be shared with the public when they are available.</li> <li>• Q: What is the timeline for bringing some recommendations to the City Council for the use of the extracted water?</li> <li>• A: The timeline is uncertain at this time. The city will follow up on this subject.</li> <li>• Q: What is the status of the graben that is forming on Admirable close to the cul-de-sac?</li> <li>• A: A city geologist will be sent out to investigate.</li> <li>• Q: The map from the most recent staff report is missing a lot the fissures, how are these maps being updated?</li> <li>• A: The map is not intended to be comprehensive, and it gets updated periodically but it is intended to depict the prominent fissures of the area.</li> <li>• Q: What do the different color arrows mean on the same map?</li> <li>• A: The arrows are indicative of different time periods of data collection.</li> </ul> <p><b>Winterization Measures</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Winterization measures are substantially complete</li> <li>• City continues to monitor and perform maintenance as the City Council authorized budget allows for</li> <li>• Q: How did the Winterization efforts hold up during the most recent rain event?</li> <li>• A: No significant problems in Klondike Canyon. Due to land movement, winterized areas in Altamira Canyon experienced minor damage.</li> </ul>	<p>Ramzi Awwad Ara Mihranian Brandy Villanueva Mike Phipps</p>



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<p><b>Landslide Monitoring Points Survey</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The most recent complete survey was sent to utilities and HOAs</li> <li>• Also posted to the City Website</li> <li>• Seaview and Beachclub areas had no measurable movement</li> <li>• Movement in upper areas of the PBL has increased a small amount</li> <li>• Steady state movement was measured in the ACLAD Area</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Utility Updates</u></b></p> <p><b>Frontier Communications:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No updates, continuing to work on service issues</li> <li>• Collaborating with the city to bring fiber optic connections to the area</li> <li>• Q: Are the easements that are going to be required going to be city or private?</li> <li>• A: There will be both types of easements.</li> <li>• Q: Why are some residents still receiving Frontier bills when there is no service?</li> <li>• A: Doug McAllister from Frontier should be contacted by residents. To get this resolved. Provide a phone number and address.</li> </ul> <p><b>Cal Water:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No significant updates, continuing work for phase 2 water line installation on Burma Road</li> <li>• Q from RPV: What's the update on the potential pipe rehabilitation for the Seaview area?</li> <li>• A: In order to ensure safe and effective service, areas that were at risk for damage due to land movement were classified as a higher priority for potential pipe replacement. In June 2024 maps were shared that scoped potential water main replacements west of Schooner Dr. where the scope was subject to change given the dynamic movement. Based on Cal Water analysis it was determined that no additional work was required. Cal Water regrets any confusion this may have caused while trying to share preliminary plans that may have raised expectations. Cal Water will continue to monitor the situation and plan accordingly.</li> <li>• Q: Why was there a change in scope?</li> <li>• A: The west Seaview water main proposed scope was subject to change due investigative results. After the investigation it was determined that no underground water mains need replacement.</li> <li>• Q: The Burma fire road was destroyed during some of the work performed, are there plans to restore that?</li> <li>• A from RPV: Will follow up on this subject.</li> <li>• Q: What section is Cal Water hiring Malcolm Construction to work on Burma Road?</li> <li>• A: Cal Water will follow up on this subject.</li> <li>• Q: Would Cal Water consider underground water main replacement again due to the recent water main breaks on Admirable and Dauntless, near the cul-de-sac?</li> <li>• A: Cal Water will follow up.</li> </ul>	



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<p><b>Southern California Edison (SCE):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No Updates.</li> </ul> <p><b>SoCal Gas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Latest updates can be found online at <a href="http://SoCalGas.com/pvlandmovement">SoCalGas.com/pvlandmovement</a></li> <li>The pipe response model is 90% complete with design</li> <li>Meeting internally to streamline the process of restoring service, will be in touch with customers in the next two weeks</li> <li>Q: What can residents expect as far as interruption of service during the potential reinstallation?</li> <li>A: Residents that are currently on the gas system should not be experiencing interruption of service, will confirm this next meeting.</li> </ul> <p><b>LACSD</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The steel case trunk line is being replaced with HDPE</li> <li>There are 5 different points where cross connections will need to be constructed in order to cross from the mountain side to the ocean side of PV Drive South so that there are no interruptions in service, there will be work being done during the evening hours</li> <li>Any impacts on traffic will be coordinated with the City to notify residents</li> <li>The work is projected to be complete by the end of May</li> <li>The plan and profile design plans are almost complete for the City to review</li> <li>Q: Will the new HDPE be placed on risers? Will The old steel pipe be removed? What is the duration of the project?</li> <li>A: Only short sections will have vertical elevations; most sections will be on or below ground. The steel pipe will be removed and taken off site to be salvaged or recycled. Project will be concluded by late May.</li> <li>Q: Why are some of the pipe sections remaining above ground?</li> <li>A: Most of the pipe is buried but the expansion joints were left above ground in order to monitor pipe movement.</li> <li>Q: Can we anticipate that there will be no full closure of the road and only just one lane closures?</li> <li>A: Full closures of both sides of the road are not expected.</li> <li>Q: Are the diameters of the twin replacement pipe greater than what was there originally?</li> <li>A: The inside diameters of the replacement pipes are going to be the exact same. The pressure of each pipe can be modified if one needs to go out of service. Additionally, there is a better roughness coefficient for the HDPE which allows for a greater overall capacity.</li> <li>Q: Where do the sewer mains lead to?</li> <li>A: It goes to the Warren facility in Carson, the largest treatment facility in the system.</li> </ul> <p><b>LACPW</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continuing to monitor the Sewers in Seaview Neighborhood with no indication of issues or rainwater infiltration</li> </ul> <p><b>PBCA</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No Updates</li> </ul>	



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<b>Abalone Cove Landslide Abatement District (ACLAD)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Currently drilling 10 dewatering wells and 2 monitoring wells</li> <li>5 Wells drilled, 2 operational, 3 are in different stages of development</li> <li>2 Well drilling Rigs are in operation</li> <li>An additional well is being utilized for a monitoring site by Sweetbay</li> <li>One of the monitoring wells along Narcissa will be repurposed to have a vibrating wire piezometer</li> </ul> <b>Klondike Canyon Landslide Abatement District (KCLAD)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continuing to formulate plans including a new well</li> <li>Drainage efforts from bringing water from PV Drive South to the ocean</li> </ul> <b>Seaview HOA</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No updates</li> </ul> <b>Beach Club HOA</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No updates</li> </ul>		
<b>General Comments or Questions</b> (from stakeholders or the public) The City's hotline for immediate response for landslide emergencies is now active at (800) 698-3385. City crews will respond immediately. This hotline has also been publicized by the City.		Ramzi Awwad Ara Mihranian Stakeholders Attendees
NEXT MEETING		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Occurs the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 3:00 pm PST. The next meeting will be 2/19/2025.</li> <li>Regular Meeting Format: This meeting will be held virtually via Teams.</li> <li>Notes from past meetings can be found on the City's website at this link: <a href="https://www.rpvca.gov/">RPV Landslide Complex Working Group   Rancho Palos Verdes, CA - Official Website (rpvca.gov)</a>.</li> <li>Please email <a href="mailto:landmovement@rpvca.gov">landmovement@rpvca.gov</a> with individual public/resident concerns, issue reports, or complaints.</li> </ul>		Ara Mihranian Ramzi Awwad