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Re: La Cueva Arroyo Channel Improvements
City Project # 757781
AMAFCA Field Visit

AMAFCA made a field visit on to the above referenced project on July 25, 2005. During the site visit the following items were observed.

1. Work is being done within the proposed channel project without an approved design.
 - a. AMAFCA has not approved the design to date
 - b. The DRC Chairman has not signed the plan set to date.
2. Engineered fill is being placed along the proposed channel alignment.
 - a. Final design has not been approved. Final elevations are not known at this time
 - b. Fill is being placed that is not properly moisture conditioned
 - c. Fill is being placed without proper compaction
 - d. AMAFCA has not received any testing reports to verify compaction of engineered fill.

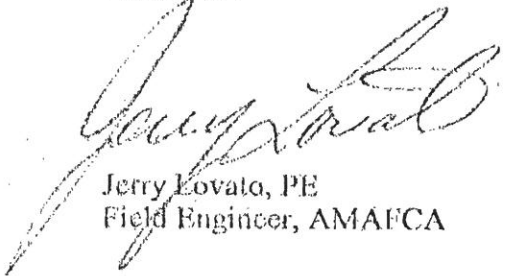
The current work within the proposed channel project is not authorized under city project 757781 at this time. All work should stop immediately. Any and all work completed to date will require independent verification that it meets the minimum requirements set forth in the specifications. AMAFCA may require additional testing of materials on all portions of the project that AMAFCA maintains that have been completed to date. The additional testing will be determined at a later date.

I strongly suggest that you make arrangements to meet with AMAFCA and the City of Albuquerque to discuss the approval of the design before work resumes on the project. All work that has been completed to date is not acceptable to AMAFCA at this time.

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If you have any questions please call me at 884-2215.

Sincerely,
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