



## **Las Animas Levee – Bi-Weekly Status Update – May 26, 2023**

**ATTENDANCE:** Aaron Humphrey (AECOM)  
Bryan Simmons (ARCD)  
Joshua Japhet (ARCD)  
Dave Armstrong (ARCD)

### **AECOM STATUS UPDATE:**

- Survey on hold due to high Arkansas river flows which are still between 600-900 cfs. Need to get back for 3-4 days once flows drop to get detailed topography of river channel. No firm schedule at this point.
- CPT explorations scheduled to begin next Wednesday (5/31):
  - AECOM and ConeTec (CPT) staff to meet at the City Shop (water source) at 8 am
  - Utility clearances have been called in.
  - AECOM will provide oversight (Zeid Bitar), but may not be on site full-time to help with costs dependent on progress and efficiency of program.
  - Schedule includes about 12 days straight of work (through weekend)
  - Anticipate starting at west end and working East, but can easily be adjusted if needed.
  - Review west end access points
  - Who should contact be for opening gates/coordination issues since Bryan is unavailable?
    - Dave Armstrong – 719-468-9450 (plan to meet with AECOM/CPT crew on Weds morning)
- Had a coordination/status call with CWCB on 5/25. Gave update on surveys and explorations. They must receive invoice before 7/1 to be processed. Must be on ARCD letterhead, but can include our invoice as attachment. AECOM to submit invoice covering survey and CPT work prior to 7/1 (>\$150k)
- Soil borings to start July/August. Driller is under contract, but no firm schedule.
- Discuss erosion at East end of levee/ARCD meeting with USACE - Bruce (USACE) was on-site 5/25. Dave and Bryan went and took a look. Bruce was not overly concerned at the moment. The location has been reinforced through the years with concrete riprap, which will likely be removed. Started to scour around the riprap in one spot. Additional riprap and "jacks" have pushed water to the east further south. Bruce's opinion was that additional riprap could be considered, not an immediate concern. AECOM is aware of this area and will include in forthcoming evaluation/recommendations.

### **QUESTIONS/DISCUSSIONS:**

- Bruce (USACE) wanted a copy of the drilling plan. AECOM to send to ARCD.