

Richland County Finance and Personnel Committee

Agenda Item Cover

Agenda Item Name: Fund 75 expenditures for construction of dams feeding Mill Creek

Department	Land Conservation	Presented By:	Cathy Cooper
Date of Meeting:	7 December 2021	Action Needed:	Vote
Disclosure:	Open Session	Authority:	Fund 75 Mill Creek
Date submitted:	15 November 2021`	Referred by:	Land Conservation Committee

Recommendation and/or action language:

Motion to approve using funds set aside for Mill Creek dams in Fund 75 for private dam construction to protect county operated dams.

Background: *(preferred one page or less with focus on options and decision points)*

During the 2020 budget process for 2020, \$100,000 was put in Fund 75 (capital borrowing) for repairs to the Mill Creek Dams. The Mill Creek Dams were built through the Federal PL-566 watershed funds. 8 dams were built in the late 1950's and early 1960's to prevent flooding, especially in the Village of Boaz. Richland County is responsible for the operation and maintenance of these dams.

With what has been and is planned to be done, there is still a little more than \$93,000 left. With more frequent, heavy rainfall events, the dams are being tasked more heavily to prevent flooding downstream. The Land Conservation Department has investigated install small dams upstream of some of the structures to reduce flow to those structures during high rain events. Each dam would be \$10,000 - \$15,000 with priority given to those upstream of Mill Creek #6 because of the flood damage to Count highway G when the dam is running full. The next priority would be areas upstream of Mill Creek #1A and #9A where damage occurs to township roads. These would be installed on private property. Questions have been asked about using this money on private land and was told that it could be done to protect the county operated dams.

Attachments and References: Attachment A

Preliminary Budget Summary	
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Financial Review:

(please check one)

<input type="checkbox"/>	In adopted budget	Fund Number	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Apportionment needed	Requested Fund Number	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other funding Source	Fund 75	
<input type="checkbox"/>	No financial impact		

(summary of current and future impacts) **Remaining apportionment of**

Approval:

Department Head

Review:

_____ *Clinton Langreck* _____

Administrator, or Elected Office (if applicable)