



# COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

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## PRESS RELEASE

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### DESIGN AGREEMENT SIGNING CEREMONY

Members of the media are invited to join local, state and federal officials to mark a significant milestone in the Pajaro Levee Flood Risk Management Project.

The signing of the Design Agreement initiates the pre-construction engineering and design phase of the project, and attaches funding to significantly increase flood protection for neighborhoods, local businesses and local infrastructure adjacent to the Pajaro River and its tributaries.

The event will include comments from U.S. Rep. Jimmy Panetta; Lt. Col. John Cunningham, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; Karla Nemeth, director, California Department of Water Resources, Santa Cruz County Supervisor Zach Friend; and Monterey County Supervisor John Phillips.

**WHAT:** Pajaro Levee Design Agreement Signing Ceremony  
**WHERE:** Atri Park, Watsonville (Atri Court near Bridge Street)  
**WHEN:** Monday, May 24, 2021, 11 a.m.

\*Street parking available near Atri Park. Please be respectful of neighbors.