



MARCH JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP ACTIVITIES

DATE: April 2023

PURPOSE

To provide information and overview of the community partnership efforts between March Joint Powers Authority (March JPA) and March Air Reserve Base (MARB).

DISCUSSION

- Our nation's defense infrastructure and its sustainment is critical to maintaining the competitive edge of our military force. March JPA takes very seriously our obligation to protect operations at MARB, develop in a responsible manner, and support MARB through our Joint Use partnership.

- Projects at March JPA supporting base operations:

-- March JPA is a key member of the on-going Compatible Use Study (CUS). This study will identify issues that negatively impact MARB and make land use policy and project recommendations. The study is being led by Riverside County and is at the 95% complete stage.

--- As a jurisdiction with land use authority, we work closely with the Airport Land Use Commission in Riverside County to ensure development around MARB is in line with base priorities and the Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan. In addition, we advocate for base needs within our four member jurisdictions. We are committed to working with the community to address the issues that are identified in the CUS.

-- Through our monthly scheduled conversations with the 452 AMW CC, we recognize gas and electric infrastructure is of top concern for MARB. In coordination with the Installation Commander, Mission Support Group Commander, and the Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation, March JPA is in the process of seeking a grant to conduct an Installation Resilience Review (IRR) focused around these infrastructure needs. This grant should be able to pay for design of a solution that provides critical resilience to MARB.

--- In addition to the IRR, we are engaged with the local gas company and seeking to partner with them to address MARBs energy resilience needs specifically focused on a Micro-grid.

-- March JPA routinely engages with elected officials from the Federal, State, County, and local area regarding support to military operations and military families at MARB. We encourage federal elected officials to support full funding of the KC-46 beddown and Defense Civilian Infrastructure Pilot Program. We work with State and Local jurisdictions to encourage affordable housing and child care for military members.

RECOMMENDATIONS / REQUESTS

- None. Provided for background and situational awareness.