

#### **NAFSMA**

## Mentoring Session on Flood Risk Management and Homeless Encampments

## Local Approaches Structural Fixes and Capital Planning

April 29, 2021

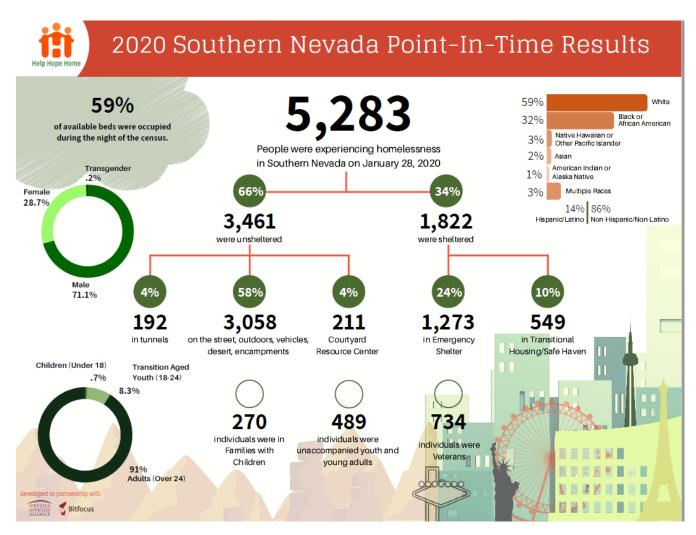
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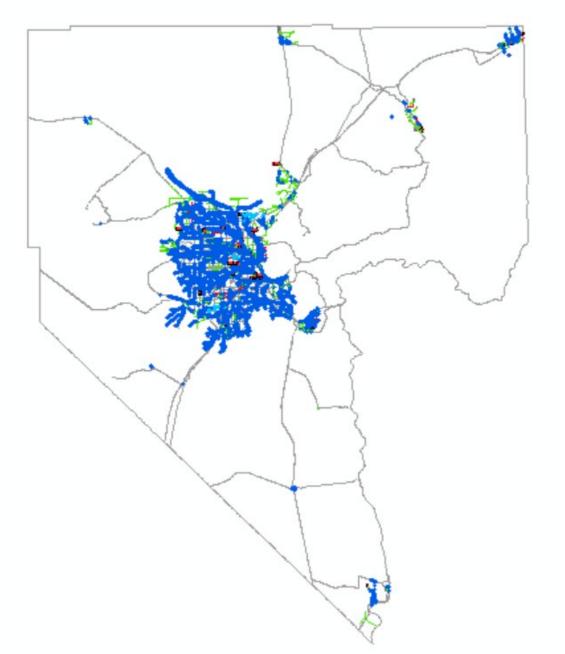
## Homeless Census - As of January 2020

 5,283 Persons experiencing homelessness

• 192 in tunnels



#### Clark County, Nevada





- Master Plan of Flood Control Facilities
  - **Capital Improvement Projects**
- Funding from ¼ % sales tax
  - Member Entities:



City of Boulder City



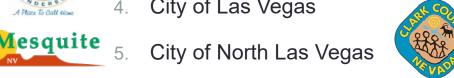
City of Henderson



City of Mesquite

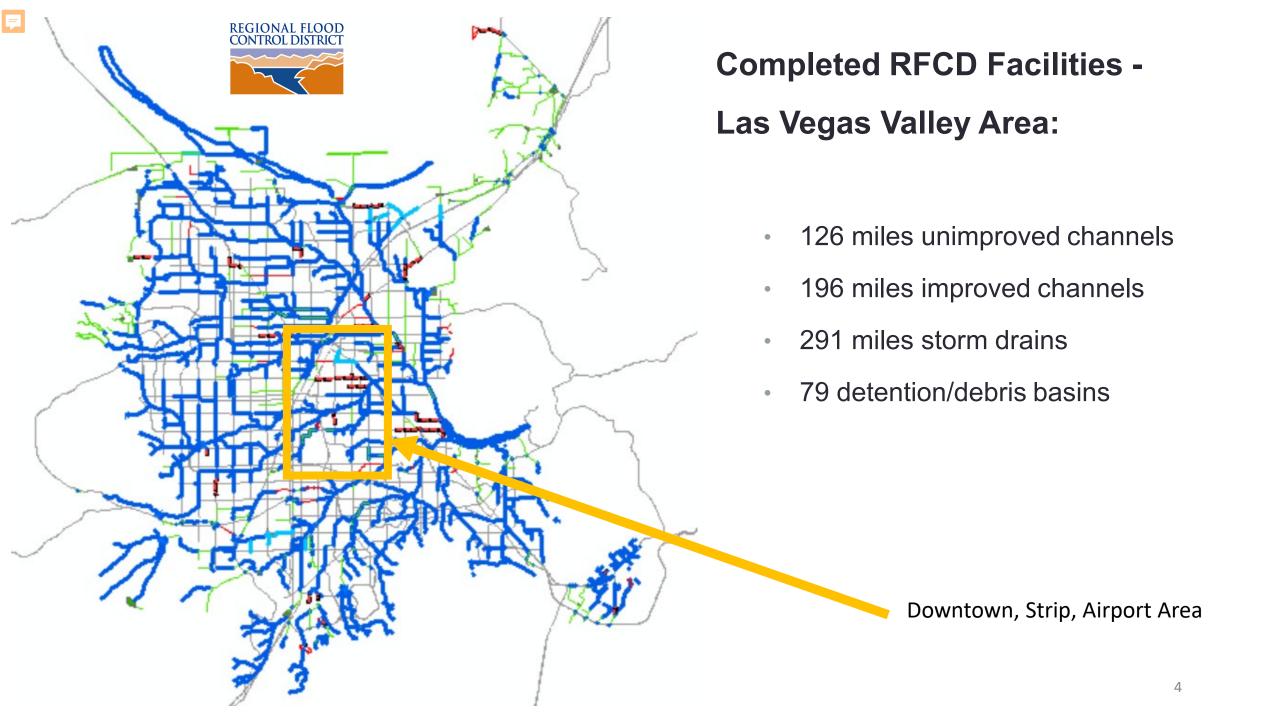


City of Las Vegas



- Unincorporated Areas of Clark County
- Maintenance Work Program







#### Lower Blue Diamond Detention Basin Trash Rack



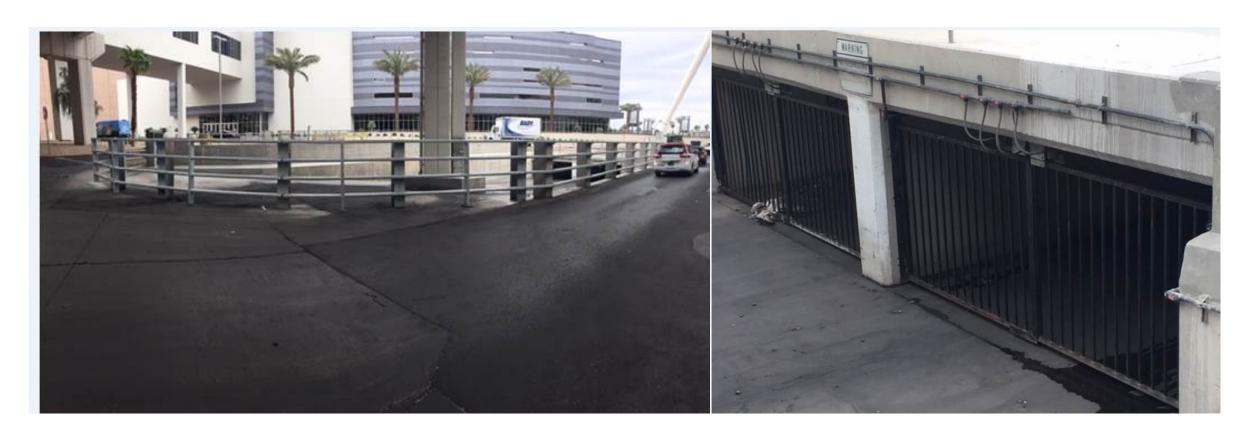


# **Upstream underneath Linq Casino**- **Manual grates**





# Down Stream next to High Roller/Promenade Valet Magnetic grates





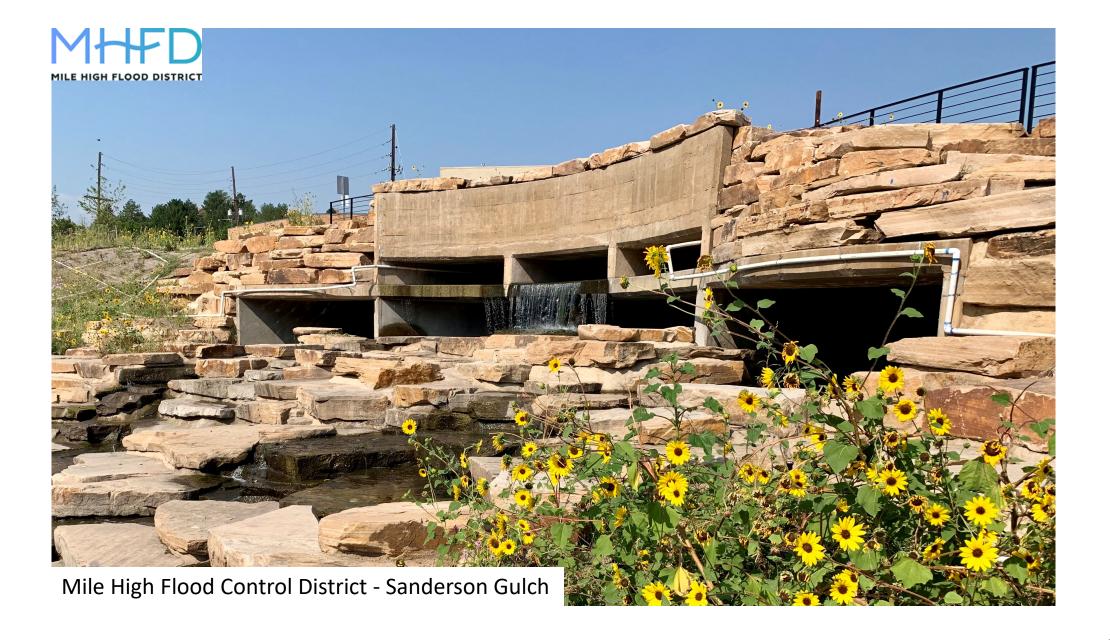
### People do not want to be wet





- ➤ Larger culverts/pipes Depress the invert about a foot so that it always has a wet bottom.
- ➤ Large outfall systems into creeks and rivers → Elongated outfall structures to prevent entry into the pipe.
- Systematically thinning vegetation along the creeks and rivers. This removes the places for folks to 'hide' by making these encampments visible.
- Riprap Undesirable to place tents and other temporary structures.

















Damaged and Missing





Damaged and Missing Wrought Iron Fences





 EMSF - freight yards, airports, prisons, highway and other public places where with high requirements of security.



- Superior strength
- Durable/Resistant to corrosion
- Resistance to cutting
- Harder to climb

→ LESSEN REPAIR FREQUENCY

### **Cost:**

- A recent estimate:
  - EMSF ~ \$36.00 / LF
  - Chain Link Fence ~ \$28.50 / LF
- 375 LF of EMSF ~ \$13,499.50
- 375 LF of Chain Link Fence ~ \$10,687.50
  - A difference of only \$2,812
  - On average, just 10 linear feet of chain link fence repair, costs \$275.00

Homeless will find it more difficult to climb and cut EMSF.
Therefore, homeless cleanup of Flood Channels are expected to decrease.

### **EMSF** Installation in Progress

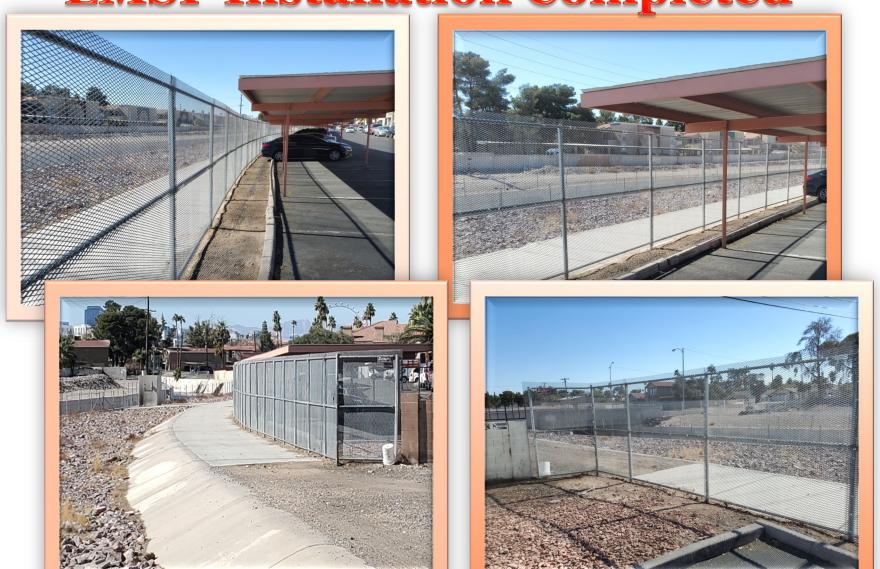


Standard

CHAIN LINK fencing is 6 feet high....

EMSF fencing is 8 feet high

**EMSF Installation Completed** 





Monday, December 21, 2020

#### CNLV FLOOD CONTROL PATROL INSPECTION

Date Sunday, December 20, 2020

Officer Name David

Site location NLV 07

Insert photo or document if needed



#### Report on patrol

Arrived at NLV-07 patrolled the property checking for any damages or suspicious activity. Main gate has hole cut in fence. Walked along channel checking for activity it's all clear. Checked equipment it looks good nothing missing or vandalized. No signs of vagrants trespassing on property everything is safe and secure. NLV -07 looks good property appears to be safe and secure

Officer Signature



#### **Security Guard Pilot Project**

- Started September 2020
  - Security Guard: ~\$20/hr \* 10 hr/day \* 6 days/week
  - ~\$30K for 6-month trial period
- Cartier Channel
- Cheaper than cleaning-up channel



#### Security Guard Pilot Project → SUCCESSFUL

- Security personnel is cheaper than the cost of frequent channel clean-up
- Cartier Channel → Central Freeway Channel, Cheyenne Peaking Basin, Rosada Channel (feeder into Las Vegas Wash)
- Security Guard rotating timeline
- Added a Homeless Coordinator, police officers
   (1 Sergeant + 2 patrol officers)
- CNLV working on ordinances



- Provide garbage cans/bags. CNLV staff clean-up crew, 2 x per day
- Partnering with adjacent entities (CLV/NDOT)
- Approach and offer assistance





#### MAINTENANCE WORK PROGRAM

Entity	Total Budget		Homeless Clean-up Budget		Homeless Clean-up Budget Spent to Date		Homeless Clean-up Budget Spent to Date (%)
Boulder City	\$	400,000.00	\$	18,000.00	\$	12,329.07	68%
Clark County	\$	4,274,700.00	\$	690,000.00	\$	559,326.14	81%
Henderson	\$	3,850,700.00	\$	51,086.45	\$	51,086.45	100%
Las Vegas	\$	2,825,000.00	\$	60,000.00	\$	-	0%
Mesquite	\$	769,800.00	\$	-	\$	-	-
North Las Vegas	\$	1,834,500.00	\$	60,597.86	\$	34,537.00	57%
Total:	\$	13,954,700.00	\$	879,684.31	\$	657,245.66	75%



### ~ THANK YOU ~

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