Flood control district lands \$8.4M grant

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The Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District has been awarded an \$8.4 million grant to help fund updates to the district's stormwater capture and retention system.

The State Water Resource Control Board grant should cover about 70 percent of the \$12 million project, which is supposed to kickoff next fall and be completed in 2019.

As part of the Fresno Storm Water Capture, Retention and Reuse Project, the district will connect the Gould Canal to the Fancher Creek Detention Basin to use the entire site for stormwater capture and groundwater recharge.

In addition, a major pump station will be built at the Fancher Creek Detention Basin to allow the movement of large volumes of flood water with remote operations.

The district also plans to construct a 100-acre groundwater banking and recharge facility.