

**Meeting of the Central Valley Flood Protection Board  
July 22, 2016**

**BRIEFING SUMMARY**

**Conservation Strategy Advisory Committee Meeting**

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**1.0 – BACKGROUND**

At the August 22, 2014 meeting, the Board heard from stakeholders expressing the desire that the Conservation Strategy and the Plan include metrics for analyzing the Water Code § 9616(a)(9) requirement that the Plan, “Increase and improve the quantity, diversity, and connectivity of riparian, wetland, flood plain, and shaded riverine aquatic habitats, including the agricultural and ecological values of these lands.” The stakeholders requested the Board to activate the Advisory Committee (Committee) denoted in Resolution 2012-25 Resolved 11(d) to advise the Board on measurable objectives being drafted as part of the Conservation Strategy.

At the September 26, 2014 meeting, the Board activated the Advisory Committee and appointed Board representatives Vice President Emma Suarez and Clyde Macdonald, with President Bill Edgar and Secretary Jane Dolan as alternates. The purpose would be to provide expertise to the Board on how to review the update to the 2017 Central Valley Flood Protection Plan (Plan) update and how the Conservation Strategy and its measurable objectives relate. The Advisory Committee’s final report would serve as a guidance document for the Board as it considers the Plan. To date, there have been six meetings of the Advisory Committee, November 13, 2015, December 4, 2015, January 6, 2016, February 25, 2016, March 10, 2016, and April 14, 2016.

**2.0 – ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING #7**

The briefing to the Board on June 24, 2016 stated there would be a July 7, 2016 Advisory Committee meeting to discuss and obtain input on a draft guidance document for Board consideration. The June 7, 2016 meeting was cancelled to provide additional time for a small drafting committee to complete a draft a guidance document.

The committee has completed their draft recommendation document and it was sent the full Advisory Committee on July 6, 2016 for group input. The next meeting is scheduled for July 21, 2016 to allow the Advisory Committee to provide input on the draft guidance

document prior to its submittal for Board consideration. It is anticipated that this document will be presented to the Board for consideration at the September Board Meeting.

### **3.0 – NEXT STEPS**

The Advisory Committee will meet on July 21, 2016 from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM in Room 170, 3310 El Camino Avenue in Sacramento. The meetings are tentatively scheduled for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month.

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