

CENTRAL VALLEY FLOOD PROTECTION BOARD

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

October 28, 2016



PLAN IMPLEMENTATION AND COMPLIANCE BRANCH

Status Report and Work Activities

Sacramento River Basin Flood System Alteration Projects and Planning Activities

- **Department of Water Resources (DWR) Yolo Bypass (Elkhorn Basin) Flood System Improvements**
 - Board staff is reviewing an application to conduct various geotechnical explorations to determine soil characteristics in Reclamation Districts 537, 785 and 827 on the federal project footprint. DWR is preparing a drilling plan to complete the application prior to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) review. Staff meets regularly on Project Delivery, Civil Design, and Geotechnical Teams to provide input to the DWR team leaders.
- **Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency (SAFCA)**
 - North Sacramento Streams (NSS) Levee Improvement Project – Board staff provided comments on the 100% plans and specifications. USACE Sacramento District is expected to forward the 408 review package, including the hydraulic impact analysis, to the South Pacific Division in mid-October. The State Historic Preservation Office (Section 106) review was completed in September, and USACE is completing its 404 regulatory review. SAFCA plans to advertise for bids in November, and to construct the project in 2017.
 - Sacramento River East Levee (SREL) Improvement Project – SAFCA delivered the 65% design package to regulatory agencies in early October. Board staff has reviewed those documents and provided comments. SAFCA's consultants are incorporating USACE comments on the first administrative draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Geo-archaeological investigations (trenching) will begin in October.

San Joaquin River Basin and Delta Flood System Alteration Projects and Planning Activities

- **USACE / SAFCA South Sacramento County Streams Project**
 - USACE completed Florin Creek channel improvements, the final remaining project construction contract, in early October. Staff will recommend transferring interim operation, maintenance, repair, replacement, and rehabilitation responsibilities to SAFCA for previously completed elements of the project at the October Board meeting.

Other Branch Activities

- **Senate Bill 5 (2007) 200-Year Flood Protection Adequate Progress Reporting Program**
 - Staff sent letters to SAFCA, SBFCA, RD2062 and Lathrop acknowledging receipt of SB5 adequate progress documents. Staff is working with DWR to develop a tracking and reporting database system for processing the land use documents submittals by the local flood agencies. Staff will brief the Board on program development and implementation at an upcoming Board meeting.

Section 408 Flood System Alteration Projects Summary

Table 1 presents a summary of 408 flood system alteration projects in which the Branch staff is actively engaged in either pre-application coordination with the applicant and USACE, or review of a submitted permit application.

Table 1: Status of 408 Flood System Alteration Permit Applications				
Agency	Project	Board Review	USACE	
			Review	Level
DWR	Yolo Bypass Lower Elkhorn Basin	Next milestone will be a 30 percent design	Ongoing	District
RD 17	Phase III Project	408 request to USACE Sep 2014	Biological assessment	District
RD 2062	River Islands Phase II	Early project design team meetings	Ongoing	District
SAFCA	North Sac Streams levee accreditation	Processing utility relocations in coordination with USACE District	Routing for transmittal to Division	District
SBFCA	Project Area C Gaps	Staff to issue permit upon receipt of USACE permission	Transmittal of final 408 permission expected in October	District
SBFCA	Laurel Avenue Repair Project	Permit conditionally approved June 24	408 decision pending federal regulatory reviews	District
SBFCA	Oroville Wildlife Area	No review until draft environmental docs are received	No review until a complete application is available.	None
TRLIA	WPIC 200-Year (cutoff walls)	Permit conditionally approved May 20	Final 408 review in progress	HQ
WSAFCA	Southport	Staff to issue permit upon receipt of USACE permission	Amending BA, will issue supplemental EA	District