

Central Valley Flood Protection Board Meeting
December 19, 2014

INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

FEATHER RIVER SEGMENT 3 LANDSIDE TOE CORRIDOR PROJECT

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BRIEFING SUMMARY

Background

Three Rivers Levee Improvement Authority (TRLIA) embarked on a mission to provide 200-year flood protection for the Linda, Arboga, Olivehurst and Plumas Lake. To date, the Feather River Levee Improvements represent the bulk of the fourth phase of work costing approximately \$420 million. Feather River Segment 3 extends approximately from Shanghai Bend to Yuba River (Highway 70). As part of these levee improvements, TRLIA was required to provide a 20-foot wide landside maintenance corridor in accordance with the Department of Water Resources (DWR) Urban Levee Design Criteria (ULDC).

During the preparation of a survey for the corridor, TRLIA discovered that the area needed to provide the 20-ft wide corridor was owned in fee by the State of California (State) under the Sacramento San Joaquin Drainage District. Furthermore, in order to clear the area for the corridor, many private fences, vegetation (elderberries) and structures would need to be removed and/or relocated. None of the existing encroachments within the State's property had a permit from the Central Valley Flood Protection Board (Board). A total of 51 Notices of Violation (NOV) were issued on August 5, 2011 for all existing encroachments located on the landside of the levee and within the State's property boundaries.

The Board held four public hearings on December 2, 2011; January 26, 2012; March 2, 2012 and November 15, 2012. At the November 15, 2012, the Board voted unanimously to approve staff's recommendation to:

- Require the removal of existing fences and miscellaneous obstructions within 60-days of notification;
- Grant conditional easements to property owners to allow use of State land not necessary for the corridor;
- Rescind the notices of violation

Activities following Board Action

- December 2012 - Two reconsideration petitions were submitted (Miller and Ensslin)
- January 25, 2013 – Reconsideration petitions were denied by the Board
- January 2013- Landowners were given 60-days to accept the conditional easement.
- July 2013 – 31 conditional easements were accepted and recorded at Yuba County Recorder’s Office; 14 were declined and 6 never responded
- August 5, 2013 –Landside corridor construction began
- January 16, 2014 – Encroachment Permit 18899 was issued to Michael King for existing structure located within State property
- April 1, 2014 – Encroachment Permit 18892 was issued to Susan Lagrand for existing structure located within State property
- October 31, 2014- Landside corridor construction was completed