

Central Valley Flood Protection Board Meeting
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INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

**CVFPP UPDATE
DEVELOPING AND EVALUATING REGIONAL PORTFOLIOS**

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BRIEFING SUMMARY

Background

The work and partnership of the six regional planning areas is invaluable to the development of the 2017 Central Valley Flood Protection Plan (CVFPP) Update. Regional Flood Management Plans (RFMP) represent the most comprehensive thinking about local flood management challenges and opportunities and, when combined with the State's Basin-Wide Feasibility Study recommendations, illustrate the breadth of needed flood management investments across the Central Valley.

The 2017 CVFPP Update will be based on a portfolio of management actions with the potential to deliver intended outcomes of reasonable public health and safety, a stable economy, vital ecosystems and opportunities for enriching experiences for Californians who live, work and play in the Central Valley. The 2017 CVFPP is an update to the 2012 CVFPP and not a new plan, but it presents an opportunity to demonstrate how implementation of the CVFPP will contribute to higher level societal outcomes for the State of California that can be monitored and tracked over time through actions identified collectively at the State and regional levels.

In developing the RFMPs, each region produced a strong baseline dataset that the Department of Water Resources (DWR) can use to identify a diverse portfolio of management actions and better understand the opportunities available for accomplishing the State's intended outcomes. The cost estimates, timelines and cost share information provided by the RFMPs (and the State's two Basin-Wide Feasibility Studies) will be used to help build broad investment portfolios, with investment needs estimated for intended outcomes, geographic areas, management action types and implementation programs. Development of the diverse portfolios is not meant to be a funding decision process; but instead be used as a basis for estimating the greater investment needs for the State Plan of Flood Control (SPFC).

Current Status

More detailed information and clarification is needed from the regions about the management action priorities in order to help build diverse investment portfolios that can be jointly supported and advocated for by State and regional partners, with the ultimate goal of securing support and funding from State legislative decision makers.

In February 2016, DWR is meeting with representatives from each of the six regional planning areas as well as other stakeholder groups, including environmental non-governmental organizations and agricultural groups, to confirm mutual understanding of the management actions identified in the RFMPs and iteratively and collaboratively develop the investment portfolios for the CVFPP.

The meetings were aimed at developing a shared understanding of the CVFPP development process and current status, and more importantly, how regional actions will be incorporated into the 2017 CVFPP Update.

Moving Forward

Development of the regional portfolios is meant to be iterative. The regions are currently reviewing and refining the first iteration of this list, referred to as the Selection. The Selection contains the regionally-identified actions that appear most consistent with the 2012 CVFPP State's Systemwide Investment Approach within the State Plan of Flood Control.

Communication and engagement with the regions and other stakeholders will continue in 2016 as DWR works to ultimately develop a State-Recommended Investment Portfolio that can be jointly supported and advocated for by DWR and regional planning entities, and represents a sense of equity across the basins with respect to the intended outcomes.

Additional meetings with the regional partners are being scheduled for March 2016. DWR plans to share more in-depth information about the regional portfolios with the Central Valley Flood Protection Board, stakeholders and the public this spring.