

**Meeting of the Central Valley Flood Protection Board  
Board agenda June 24, 2016**

**Board Secretary and Executive Officer Report  
And Recommendation to Adopt the  
Amended Board Policy Regarding Board Committees and Liaison Assignments**

**1.0 – REQUESTED ACTION**

Adopt the attached Board policy regarding Board committees and Board Member liaison assignments and participation on committees and focus groups.

**2.0 - BACKGROUND**

On July 27, 2012, subsequent to the adoption of the Strategic Plan, the Board approved a document outlining Board Member assignments to Board standing committees and ad hoc committees, focus areas and external liaison assignments.

This action pre-dated the formation of the six Regional Flood Management Planning (RFMP) groups and also many other work groups that were both short term and of longer duration. The initial action did not allow flexibility and on July 26, 2013, the Board voted to separate Board liaison assignments into external and internal initiated committees, and added focus areas to replace ad hoc committees.

Then, to again match the approved structure with the changing array of requests and need for Board Member involvement, at its November 2013 meeting, the Board directed the Executive Officer to move forward with a proposal for Board consideration to authorize the Executive Officer to make adjustments on an as needed basis to the committee and liaison assignments without the continuing need for formal Board action.

In January 2014, the Board bifurcated the committee list from the Strategic Plan and directed the Executive Officer to make adjustments to the committee assignments as needed, providing periodic updates to the Board. The exception to this is the Standing Committees, which were formally enacted by the Board and follow the requirements of the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act. The 2014 policy recognized two standing Board committees, the Executive Committee, consisting of the Board Officers: Board President, Vice President and Secretary; and the Coordinating Committee, conducted by Board President Edgar and including participation by all interested Board Members. In September 2014, the Board added one additional Standing Committee, the Conservation Strategy Advisory Committee, conducted by Board Members Suarez and Macdonald.

The Board retained the RFMP liaison assignments and directed that other assignments be based on regional proximity, subject matter expertise, or Board Member availability and interest.

The Standing Committees have met regularly with published agendas and public participation. Board Members have continued participating in the regional flood management planning groups. In addition, DWR Planning staff recently initiated a series of workshops on the Sacramento and San Joaquin Basinwide studies, in which Board members have participated in accordance with their regional assignments and interests.

There are certain requests or statutorily defined Board assignments. Board President Edgar has served as the Board representative of two groups: the Delta Stewardship Council's Delta Plan Interagency Implementation Committee (DPIIC), and the Natural Resources Agency's Yolo Bypass Partnership; Board member Mike Villines is the member and Secretary Jane Dolan is the alternate Advisory Board member of the Sacramento San Joaquin Delta Conservancy.

With regard to the other assignments denoted on the July 2014 list, several of the named assignments are either no longer active or have changed names (e.g. the Interagency Flood Management Collaborative, Interagency Advisory Committee and California Roundtable). Interaction with the California Water Commission, the Delta Stewardship Council, California and local Farm Bureaus and a variety of stakeholder environmental NGOs is ongoing and tends to be issue-driven.

There has been recent renewed interest by the Yolo County Board of Supervisors to reinstitute regular interaction with Board Members, particularly in light of the increased interest and activity in the Yolo Bypass. Board Members will continue to be needed to interact on a variety of topics related to Yolo County as we move toward adopting the 2017 CVFPP update. Further, the 2014 action specified only "Sacramento Pocket" issues. This area is part of a larger set of Sacramento City and County urban challenges. With SAFCA's Proposition 218 election and advance feasibility study, it makes sense to enlarge the scope from just the Pocket area to include issues within Sacramento City and SAFCA jurisdiction.

It is noteworthy that the project formerly known as the Bay Delta Conservation Plan has split into two areas, California Water Fix (the construction and mitigation for the water supply tunnels, which will be a proposal primarily before the State Water Board), and California EcoRestore (centered currently in the Yolo Bypass and the legal Delta). Board Member participation in these two projects will also center around the specific issues at hand.

The CCVFCA continues to be active, and Board Vice President Suarez and Board Secretary Dolan continue to handle requests for Board member participation in this group.

Of the other four focus areas denoted on the 2014 Board Committee and assignment list, the group that still meets regularly is the Title 23 regulations update, consisting of Board Vice President Suarez and Board Secretary Dolan. Legislative outreach has been coordinated by the Executive Officer.

Future Board Member participation requests will be assigned by the EO, after consultation with Board Members, as they arise in accordance with current policy and based on Board Member availability and interest.

Information and notes of Board Member meeting participation are updated and provided in the Executive Officer's Report or by Board Member reports at Board meetings.

### **3.0 - RECOMMENDATION**

- \* Adopt the amended policy attached as Exhibit B, and;
- \* Direct the Executive Officer to implement the policy as amended.

### **4.0 - List of Attachments**

Committee Assignments as of 7/2014

Draft Amended Policy

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Legal Review: Kanwarjit Dua, Board Counsel

**Central Valley Flood Protection Board**  
**Policy Regarding Board Member Participation on Committees and Liaison Assignments**  
**June 24, 2016**

Policy

The Board recognizes three standing committees as follows:

- Executive Committee: a subcommittee of the Board consisting of the leadership positions of President, Vice President and Secretary, authorized to act in accordance with the adopted governance principles on matters of Board administration including general management, staff oversight, budget development and finance, and public outreach/media contact.
- Coordinating Committee: An open forum to promote the integration of system-wide and regional flood planning throughout the six Regional Flood Management Planning areas, chaired by Board President Edgar with active participation by all interested Board members.
- Advisory Committee: Chartered in accordance with Resolution 2012-25, the Advisory Committee was activated on September 26, 2014 to provide guidance to the Board regarding integration of the Conservation Strategy into the 2017 Plan Update. The Committee is expected to deliver a recommendation to the Board by third quarter 2016, at which point the Board will re-evaluate the need for the Committee to continue. Board Vice President Suarez and Board Member Macdonald are assigned with Board President Edgar and Board Secretary Dolan as alternates.

Meetings of all standing committees shall be noticed and agendized in accordance with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act.

Board Members shall participate in the six regional flood management planning areas as follows:

- Mid & Upper Sacramento: Jane Dolan, Emma Suarez, Bill Edgar (Alt.)
- Feather River: Jane Dolan, Bill Edgar, Emma Suarez (Alt.)
- Lower Sacramento/Delta North: Clyde Macdonald, Joe Countryman, Bill Edgar (Alt.)
- Lower San Joaquin/Delta South: Joe Countryman, Mike Villines, Clyde Macdonald (Alt.)
- Mid San Joaquin: Mike Villines, Joe Countryman, Tim Ramirez, (Alt.)
- Upper San Joaquin: Tim Ramirez, Mike Villines, Joe Countryman (Alt.)

Board President Edgar serves as the Board Representative to the Delta Stewardship Council's Delta Plan Interagency Implementation Committee and the Yolo Bypass Partnership sponsored by the Natural Resources Agency.

Board Member Villines (Board Secretary Dolan, alternate) is the Board representative to the Sacramento San Joaquin Delta Conservancy.

Board Vice President Suarez and Board Secretary Dolan are the Board representatives to the California Central Valley Flood Control Association.

Board Members also participate on an ad hoc basis in a variety of stakeholder interest groups and may be called upon from time to time to lend their considerable expertise and knowledge to solve problems, meet with elected officials, attend stakeholder meetings and represent the Central Valley Flood Protection Board at workshops, groundbreakings and events.

Requests for Board member participation shall be routed through the Board's Executive Officer, who, after consultation with one or more Board Members, shall assign individual Board Members to participate in the requested activity. The Executive Officer is responsible for keeping track of Board Member assignments, interests and availability and reporting on the Board Members' activities.

**COMMITTEES, LIASON ASSIGNMENTS, AND FOCUS GROUPS OF THE CENTRAL  
VALLEY FLOOD PROTECTION BOARD**

Approved July 25, 2014

<b><u>STANDING COMMITTEES:</u></b>	<b><u>Board Members</u></b>	<b><u>Staff Members</u></b>	<b><u>Strategic Plan Goals</u></b>
<b><u>Executive Committee</u></b>	Bill Edgar Emma Suarez Jane Dolan	Executive Officer and Staff as assigned	Governance Principles
<b><u>Coordinating Committee:</u></b>	Bill Edgar Clyde Macdonald Emma Suarez - Alt.	Executive Officer Lorraine Pendlebury and Staff as assigned	Goals 2, 3 and 4
<b><u>REGIONAL PLANNING ASSIGNMENTS:</u></b>	<b><u>Board Members</u></b>	<b><u>Staff Members</u></b>	<b><u>Strategic Plan Goals</u></b>
<b><u>Upper &amp; Mid-Sacramento:</u></b>	Jane Dolan Emma Suarez Bill Edgar - Alt.	Eric Butler Andrea Buckley - Alt.	Goals 1, 2, 3 and 4
<b><u>Feather River:</u></b>	Jane Dolan Bill Edgar Emma Suarez - Alt.	Nancy Moricz Eric Butler - Alt.	Goals 1, 2, 3 and 4
<b><u>Lower Sacramento/Delta North:</u></b>	Clyde Macdonald Joe Countryman Bill Edgar - Alt.	Andrea Buckley Nancy Moricz - Alt.	Goals 1, 2, 3 and 4
<b><u>Lower San Joaquin/Delta South:</u></b>	Joe Countryman Mike Villines Clyde Macdonald - Alt.	Ali Porbaha Len Marino - Alt.	Goals 1, 2, 3 and 4
<b><u>Mid-San Joaquin:</u></b>	Mike Villines Joe Countryman Tim Ramirez - Alt.	James Herota Ali Porbaha - Alt.	Goals 1, 2, 3 and 4

<b><u>Upper San Joaquin:</u></b>	Tim Ramirez Mike Villines Joe Countryman - Alt.	Len Marino James Herota - Alt.	Goals 1, 2, 3 and 4
<b><u>LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS:</u></b> <b><u>Externally Initiated:</u></b>	<b><u>Board Members</u></b>	<b><u>Staff Members</u></b>	<b><u>Strategic Plan Goals</u></b>
<b><u>Delta Conservancy:</u></b>	Mike Villines Tim Ramirez - Alt.	Executive Officer and Staff as assigned	Goal 3
<b><u>Interagency Flood Management Collaborative:</u></b>	Clyde Macdonald Joe Countryman – Alt.	Executive Officer and Staff as assigned	Goal 3
<b><u>Interagency Advisory Committee for Developing Conservation Strategy:</u></b>	Tim Ramirez Clyde Macdonald – Alt.	Executive Officer and Staff as assigned	Goal 3
<b><u>Urban Level of Protection Criteria Work Group</u></b>	Jane Dolan Joe Countryman Clyde Macdonald – Alt.	Executive Officer and Staff as assigned	Goal 3
<b><u>Rural Levee Repair Criteria Work Group:</u></b>	Joe Countryman Jane Dolan – Alt.	Executive Officer and Staff as assigned	Goal 3
<b><u>LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS:</u></b> <b><u>Internally Initiated:</u></b>	<b><u>Board Members</u></b>	<b><u>Staff Members</u></b>	<b><u>Strategic Plan Goals</u></b>
<b><u>Delta Stewardship Council:</u></b>	Bill Edgar Tim Ramirez Jane Dolan – Alt. Mike Villines – Alt.	Executive Officer and Staff as assigned	Goal 3
<b><u>The California Roundtable:</u></b>	Emma Suarez Clyde Macdonald – Alt.	Executive Officer and Staff as assigned	Goals 3 and 4

<b><u>California Water Commission:</u></b>	Bill Edgar Emma Suarez Mike Villines – Alt. Tim Ramirez – Alt.	Executive Officer and Staff as assigned	Goals 3 and 4
<b><u>The California Farm Bureau:</u></b>	Jane Dolan Mike Villines Emma Suarez – Alt. Tim Ramirez – Alt.	Executive Officer and Staff as assigned	Goals 3 and 4
<b><u>The Conservation NGOs:</u></b>	Tim Ramirez Jane Dolan Emma Suarez – Alt. Clyde Macdonald – Alt.	Executive Officer and Staff as assigned	Goal 3
<b><u>Yolo County Issues:</u></b>	Bill Edgar Jane Dolan Emma Suarez – Alt. Tim Ramirez – Alt.	Executive Officer and Staff as assigned	Goal 3
<b><u>Sacramento Pocket Issues:</u></b>	Bill Edgar Clyde Macdonald Joe Countryman – Alt. Mike Villines – Alt.	Executive Officer and Staff as assigned	Goal 3
<b><u>BDCP Issues:</u></b>	Emma Suarez Tim Ramirez Bill Edgar – Alt. Jane Dolan – Alt.	Executive Officer and Staff as assigned	Goal 3
<b><u>California Central Valley Flood Control Association (CCVFCA):</u></b>	Emma Suarez Clyde Macdonald Joe Countryman – Alt. Mike Villines – Alt.	Executive Officer and Staff as assigned	Goals 3 and 4
<b><u>FOCUS AREAS AND ASSIGNMENTS:</u></b>	<b><u>Board Members</u></b>	<b><u>Staff Members</u></b>	<b><u>Strategic Plan Goals</u></b>
<b><u>Legislation:</u></b>	Clyde Macdonald Bill Edgar Jane Dolan – Alt. Mike Villines – Alt.	Executive Officer and Staff as assigned	Goal 3



<b><u>Regulations:</u></b>	Emma Suarez Clyde Macdonald Jane Dolan – Alt. Bill Edgar – Alt.	Executive Officer and Staff as assigned	Goals 1 and 3
<b><u>San Joaquin River Basin Activities:</u></b>	Tim Ramirez Joe Countryman Bill Edgar – Alt. Mike Villines – Alt.	Executive Officer and Staff as assigned	Goal 1
<b><u>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers/Levee/FEMA Issues:</u></b>	Emma Suarez Joe Countryman Bill Edgar – Alt. Clyde Macdonald – Alt.	Executive Officer and Staff as assigned	Goals 1, 2, 3 and 4
<b><u>SUMMARY:</u></b>			
<b><u>Board Members</u></b>	<b><u>Standing Committees:</u></b> <b><u>RFMP Representation:</u></b> <b><u>Liaison Assignments:</u></b> <b><u>Focus Area Assignments:</u></b>	<b><u>Alternate Assignments:</u></b>	<b><u>Grand-Totals</u></b>
Bill Edgar, Board President	7	5	12
Emma Suarez, Board Vice-President	7	5	12
Jane Dolan, Board Secretary	7	5	12
Joe Countryman	7	4	11
Clyde Macdonald	6	6	12
Tim Ramirez	6	5	11
Mike Villines	6	5	11
<b>Totals</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>81</b>