# Central Valley Flood Protection Board Meeting

#### INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

## AB 137 Status

#### **BRIEFING SUMMARY**

# **Background**

In May of 2019, media events highlighted damages to the levee system from unauthorized encampments. Shortly thereafter, Asm. Jim Cooper authored AB 137 in consultation with Board staff, City of Sacramento staff, RD 1000, American River Flood Control District, the Central Valley Flood Control Association, and other stakeholders to deter the vandalizing behavior and enable easier levee inspections to occur.

## **Current Status**

After passing the Senate Natural Resources and Water Policy Committee on consent, AB 137 was held in Senate Appropriations over concerns of costing the state \$150,000 or more if implemented. Asm. Jim Cooper plans to reintroduce the bill next session.