

Central Valley Flood Protection Board Meeting

INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

Public Safety Informational

**BRIEFING SUMMARY**

**Background**

Recent media sources reported the discovery of potentially over one hundred homeless encampments affecting levees and creating a public safety concern. Due to the rising river flows, the homeless population was forced to move their places of residence from the base of levee upwards and on to the levee creating a desire to dig into the levee slope and form a flat area. Two media reports can be viewed here:

- 1) <https://sacramento.cbslocal.com/2019/05/09/homeless-digging-flood-levees/>
- 2) <https://gcc01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.kcra.com%2Farticle%2Fcould-be-catastrophic-homeless-camps-on-sacramento-area-levees-cause-concern%2F27440429&data=02%7C01%7C%7Cb2bee101d48c448bbe9608d6d617c767%7Cb71d56524b834257afcd7fd177884564%7C0%7C1%7C636931794956876073&sdata=LOB7LzmT6QP4axrWFUO2WJkqidXVAAjwZImjCx2caBg%3D&reserved=0>

**Current Status**

Representatives for local maintaining agencies including RD 1000, American River Flood Control District, and the City of Sacramento will brief the Board on the current conditions and their efforts to mitigate the situation. The Board will discuss how the state can provide direct assistance for levee repairs only and direct staff accordingly.