

Central Valley Flood Protection Board

Executive Officer Delegation Report

Meeting Date: March 27, 2020

Number of Applications Scheduled: 8

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Application Number: 1162-1

Applicant: Andreotti Et. Al.

Location Description: The project is located approximately 0.46 miles southwest from the intersection of S. Meridian Road and S. Drexler Road in Sutter County.

County: Sutter

Stream: Sacramento River

Project Description: To authorize the in-kind removal and replacement of two parallel 18-inch diameter steel irrigation pipes from the left (east) bank levee crown of the Sacramento River. The work was done under an emergency in December 2019. Additionally, to remove and replace in-kind the remaining two 18-inch diameter steel pipes from the waterside and landside levee slopes and the waterside berm.

LMA Endorsement: Reclamation District 70

CEQA Finding: Board staff has determined the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 1, Existing Facilities, and Class 2, Replacement or Reconstruction categorical exemptions (CEQA Guidelines §15301 and §15302) because the activity involves the permitting of the following existing facilities: two parallel 18-inch diameter steel irrigation pipes from the left (east) bank levee crown of the Sacramento River. In addition, the proposed activity consists of removal and replacement of two additional damaged 18-inch diameter irrigation supply pipes. The replacement pipes will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the existing irrigation supply pipes, and the project involves negligible expansion of an existing use. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA Guidelines §15300.2 apply.

Application Number: 15110-1

Applicant: Cecil Rodgers

Location Description: The project is located south of the City of Stockton approximately 0.32 mile downstream from Bowman Road bridge (Levee Mile 3.73, River Mile 47.21). Section 8, T1S, R6E, M.D.B. & M. (Reclamation District No. 17)

County: San Joaquin

Stream: San Joaquin River

Project Description: To authorize emergency work done in April 2016 to remove and replace approximately 100 feet of a deteriorated 12-inch diameter steel pipe crossing through the levee crown on the right (east) bank of the San Joaquin River. To authorize the existing concrete waterside levee slope stairs, one existing schedule 40

PVC electrical conduit that routes power to an existing waterside pump station, and an existing landside 48-inch diameter concrete standpipe.

LMA Endorsement: Reclamation District 17

CEQA Finding: Board staff has determined the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 1, Existing Facilities categorical exemption (CEQA Guidelines §15301) because the proposed activity consists of authorizing the existing concrete stairs on the waterside levee slope, waterside pump station, electrical conduit, and the replacement of an existing irrigation pipe with substantially the same purpose and capacity. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA Guidelines § 15300.2 apply.

Application Number: 19434

Applicant: City of Chico

Location Description: The project is located east from East Eaton Road and Saint Lawrence Avenue, within the Foothill Park East Unit No. 8 development, in Chico.

County: Butte

Stream: Big Chico Diversion Channel

Project Description: n Channel To authorize the existing Beacham Loop road; To construct a retaining wall along Beacham Loop adjacent to the left (south) Patrol Road of the Big Chico Creek Diversion Channel.

LMA Endorsement: Butte County Public Works

CEQA Finding: Board staff has determined the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 1, Existing Facilities and Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures categorical exemptions (CEQA Guidelines §§ 15301 and 15303), because the proposed activity consists of permitting an existing road and the construction of a concrete retaining wall. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA Guidelines § 15300.2 apply.

Application Number: 19464

Applicant: City of Rancho Cordova

Location Description: The project is located north of Rancho Cordova, approximately 1,500 feet west of the intersection of Ambassador and Rossmoor Drives.

County: Sacramento

Stream: American River

Project Description: To authorize the emergency repair of a culvert pipe and placement of rock slope protection along left (south) bank of the American River. The culvert connects to an existing drainage ditch within the American River Designated Floodway. The work was completed under Emergency Authorization No. EM2019041.

LMA Endorsement: N/A

CEQA Finding: The Central Valley Flood Protection Board (Board), as a responsible agency under CEQA, has reviewed the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) (SCH No. 2014092016, September 5, 2014), and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) for Routine Maintenance of Stream Channel and Drainage Facilities, prepared by the lead agency, City of Rancho Cordova (City). These documents, including project design, are available for review in hard copy at the Board and the City's offices. The City determined that the Routine Maintenance of Stream Channel and Drainage Facilities would not have a significant effect on the environment and filed a Notice of Determination with the State Clearinghouse on December 18, 2014. The City

made revisions to the project and/or incorporated mandatory mitigation measures into the project plans to avoid or mitigate such impacts to a point where no significant adverse impacts will occur. These mitigation measures are included in the City's IS/MND and address impacts to aesthetics, biological resources, cultural resources, hydrology and water quality, air quality, geology and noise. The mitigation measures are further described in the City's adopted IS/MND. The Board, as a responsible agency, is responsible for mitigating and avoiding only the direct and indirect environmental effects of those parts of the project which it decides to carry out, finance, or approve (CEQA Guidelines § 15096(g); Public Resources Code § 21002.1(d)). The Board's responsibility under CEQA is limited to imposing conditions or mitigation related to effects on the State Plan of Flood Control. In accordance with CEQA Guidelines § 15096, Board staff independently reviewed the City's IS/MND, and finds the environmental documents prepared by the lead agency adequately address hydrology impacts, including potential flood risk, for the CVFPB Executive Officer's approval of Permit No. 19464 to authorize work to authorize the repair of a culvert and placement of rock slope protection within the American River, which is within the Board's responsibility as it relates to effects on the State's flood control system. The IS/MND conclusions related to flood risk are further supported by the City's hydraulic blockage analysis relied upon by Board staff, which confirms the culvert and rock slope protection we are permitting will result in less than significant hydraulic impacts. In accordance with CEQA Guidelines § 15096(f) and (g), staff recommends that the CVFPB Executive Officer make responsible agency findings that approval of Permit No. 19464 will not result in any significant adverse impacts related to flood risk. The project will not adversely impact the State Plan of Flood Control; therefore, no additional mitigation measures within the Board's jurisdiction are required. The documents and other materials which constitute the record of the Board's proceedings in this matter are in the custody of the Executive Officer, Central Valley Flood Protection Board, 3310 El Camino Ave., Suite 170, Sacramento, California 95821.

Application Number: 19476

Applicant: Kern County Public Works Department

Location Description: The project is located approximately 0.7 miles northeast of the intersection of Enos Lane and Panama Lane, about 6 miles west of the City of Bakersfield.

County: Kern

Stream: Kern River

Project Description: To construct approximately one (1) mile-long bike trail within the Kern River Designated Floodway as part of the Kern River Parkway Bike Trail Extension project.

LMA Endorsement: N/A

CEQA Finding: The Board, as a responsible agency under CEQA, has reviewed the Kern River Parkway Bike Trail Western Extension Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) (SCH No. 2017091059, September 2017) and Mitigation Measure Monitoring Plan (MMMP) prepared by the lead agency, Kern County. These documents, including project design, are available for review in hard copy at the Board and County offices. The County determined that the project, as described in the IS/MND would not have a significant effect on the environment and filed a Notice of Determination with the State Clearinghouse on November 27, 2017. The County made revisions to the project and/or incorporated mandatory mitigation measures into the project plans to avoid or mitigate such impacts to a point where no significant adverse impacts will occur. These mitigation measures, included in the County's IS/MND and MMMP, address impacts to biological resources, cultural resources, hazards and hazardous materials, and hydrology. The mitigation measures are further described in the County's adopted IS/MND. The Board, as a responsible agency, is responsible for mitigating and avoiding only the direct and indirect environmental effects of those parts of the project which it decides to carry out, finance, or approve (CEQA Guidelines § 15096(g); Public Resources Code § 21002.1(d)). The Board's responsibility under CEQA is limited to imposing conditions or mitigation related to effects on the State Plan of

Flood Control. In accordance with CEQA Guidelines § 15096, Board staff independently reviewed County's IS/MND, and finds the environmental documents prepared by the lead agency adequately address hydrology impacts, including potential flood risk, for the Board's approval of Permit No. 19476 to authorize work to construct a bike trail extension, which is within the Board's responsibility as it relates to effects on the State's flood control system. In accordance with CEQA Guidelines § 15096(f) and (g), staff recommends that the Board make responsible agency findings that approval of Permit No. 19476 will not result in any significant adverse impacts related to flood risk. The project will not adversely impact the State Plan of Flood Control; therefore, no additional mitigation measures within the Board's jurisdiction are required. The documents and other materials which constitute the record of the Board's proceedings in this matter are in the custody of the Executive Officer, Central Valley Flood Protection Board, 3310 El Camino Ave., Suite 170, Sacramento, California 95821.

Application Number: 3437-1

Applicant: Reclamation District 70

Location Description: The project is located at the intersection of South Meridian Road and Wood Road, on the left (east) bank of the Sacramento River, in the city of Grimes.

County: Sutter

Stream: Sacramento River

Project Description: To authorize the following work performed under Emergency Authorization No. EM2017109: To remove and replace approximately 150 linear feet of an existing 42-inch corrugated metal pipe and appurtenances authorized under Permit No. 3437, with a 42-inch 1/2-inch wall welded steel pipe, 60-inch standpipe with positive closure, flap gate, and reconnect pipeline to an existing pump station.

LMA Endorsement: Reclamation District 70

CEQA Finding: Board staff has determined the project is statutorily exempt from CEQA under §15269(a) and §15269(b) covering emergency projects. The project included the removal and replacement of a failed discharge pipe and appurtenances that were damaged or destroyed in a flooding disaster, for which the Governor proclaimed a state of emergency in 2017. In addition, the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 1 categorical exemption (CEQA Guidelines §15301) because the activity consisted of removal and replacement of an existing pipe and appurtenances associated with pumping water off the surrounding land. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA Guidelines §15300.2 apply.

Application Number: 865-1

Applicant: Reclamation District 70

Location Description: The project is located at the intersection of South Meridian Road and Wood Road, on the left (east) banks of the Sacramento River, in the city of Grimes.

County: Sutter

Stream: Sacramento River

Project Description: To authorize the following work performed under Emergency Authorization No. EM2017109: To remove the waterside (non slip-lined) corrugated metal pipe and appurtenances authorized under Permit No. 865, and replace with approximately 65 linear-feet of a 48-inch 1/2-inch wall welded steel pipe, 60-inch standpipe with positive closure, flap gate, and connect pipeline to existing 52-inch outside diameter, 48-inch inside diameter steel pipe authorized under Permit No. 16477.

LMA Endorsement: Reclamation District 70

CEQA Finding: Board staff has determined the project is statutorily exempt from CEQA under §15269(a) and §15269(b) covering emergency projects. The project included the removal and replacement of a failed discharge pipe and appurtenances that were damaged or destroyed in a flooding disaster, for which the Governor proclaimed a state of emergency in 2017. In addition, the project is exempt from CEQA under the Class 1 categorical exemption (CEQA Guidelines §15301) because the activity consisted of removal and replacement of an existing pipe and appurtenances associated with pumping water off the surrounding land. Further, none of the exceptions to the exemption in CEQA Guidelines §15300.2 apply.

Application Number: 19079

Applicant: Three Rivers Levee Improvement Authority/Sacramento Valley Conservancy

Location Description: The project is located south of Ella Avenue and north of Anderson Avenue in Olivehurst.

County: Yuba County

Stream: Feather River

Project Description: To create approximately 502 acres of mitigation bank with approximately 100 acres of elderberry shrubland, 96 acres of riparian scrubland, and 306 acres of mixed riparian forest within the Feather River Levee Setback Area.

LMA Endorsement: Reclamation District 784

CEQA Finding: The Board, as a responsible agency under CEQA, has reviewed the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) (SCH No.2015062085, June 2015), and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) for the Feather River Setback Mitigation Bank Project, prepared by the lead agency, Three Rivers Levee Improvement Authority (TRLIA). These documents, including project design, are available for review in hard copy at the Board and the TRLIA offices. The TRLIA determined that the Feather River Setback Mitigation Bank Project would not have a significant effect on the environment and filed a Notice of Determination with the State Clearinghouse on July 22, 2016 and the Yuba County Clerk/Recorder on July 20, 2016. The TRLIA made revisions to the project and/or incorporated mandatory mitigation measures into the project plans to avoid impacts or to mitigate such impacts to a point where no significant adverse impacts will occur. These mitigation measures are included in TRLIA's IS/MND and address impacts to air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and hydrology. The mitigation measures are further described in TRLIA's adopted IS/MND. In accordance with CEQA Guidelines § 15096(e), Board staff independently reviewed the TRLIA's IS/MND, and finds these environmental documents prepared by the lead agency adequately address hydrology impacts, including potential flood risk, within the Board's jurisdiction. The Board, as a responsible agency, is responsible for mitigating and avoiding only the direct and indirect environmental effects of those parts of the project which it decides to carry out, finance, or approve (CEQA Guidelines § 15096(g); Public Resources Code § 21002.1(d)). In accordance with CEQA Guidelines § 15096(f) and (g), staff recommends that the CVFPB Executive Officer approve the responsible agency findings associated with Permit No. 19079, as the project would not result in any significant adverse impacts related to flood risk, and no additional mitigation measures within the Board's jurisdiction are required. The documents and other materials which constitute the record of the Board's proceedings in this matter are in the custody of the Executive Officer, Central Valley Flood Protection Board, 3310 El Camino Ave., Suite 170, Sacramento, California 95821.