

CENTRAL VALLEY FLOOD PROTECTION BOARD

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AGENDA

CENTRAL VALLEY FLOOD PROTECTION BOARD MEETING

July 23, 2021 – 9:00 a.m.

Virtual Meeting

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak we ask that the public attend the meeting virtually and view the webcast of this meeting via the link provided on the event page.

NOTE: The Board will consider timed items as close as possible to the listed time, but not before the time specified. Untimed items may be considered in a different order upon determination by the Board President. All items appearing on this agenda may be subject to Board action, whether or not expressly listed as an action item.

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1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

2. ROLL CALL/ESTABLISH A QUORUM (Water Code § 8560)

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Action Item)

- May 28, 2021 minutes

4. REVIEW OF AGENDA

5. CONSENT ITEMS (Action Item)

A. Permit No. 19512 Josh Harmatz (*Mauricio Meza, Operations Branch, Board Staff*)

Consider approval of Permit No. 19512 to construct a 1,400 square-foot home addition with two (2) small sun decks that add an additional 361 square-feet, construct an in-ground swimming pool with retractable cover and prefabricated spa next to the existing home that includes a pool equipment shed; and to construct a concrete deck, planters around the pool, and stairs that will access to lower backyard, all on the left (east) bank of the Sacramento River. The project is located approximately 0.4 miles east of the intersection of Power Line Road and Garden Highway, northwest of the City of Sacramento at 4171 Garden Highway. (Sacramento County)

6. PUBLIC COMMENT (non-agenda items only)

7. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE (Informational)

8. U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS (Informational)

9. DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES ITEMS (Informational)

A. Monthly Report of the Department of Water Resources (*Jeremy Arrich, Manager, Division of Flood Management, Department of Water Resources*)

Department of Water Resources will present project updates and recent events related to flood management and water resource efforts. DWR will highlight the High Tide Damage that happened recently in RD 1607 on Van Sickle Island.

B. Designated Floodway Inspection Status (*Wade Wylie, Supervising Engineer, Manager, Flood Project Inspection and Assessment Branch, Department of Water Resources*)

An Informational presentation to inform the Board Members and the public on the Flood Project Inspection and Assessment Section's program to inspect the designated floodways within the Central Valley.

- C. 2022 Central Valley Flood Protection Plan Update (*Mary Jimenez, Manager, Systemwide Multibenefit Initiatives Branch, Division of Multibenefit Initiatives, Department of Water Resources; Jason Sidley, Supervising Engineer, Systemwide Multibenefit Initiatives Branch, Department of Water Resources*)

Department of Water Resources staff will provide an overview of recent activities and progress on developing the 2022 Central Valley Flood Protection Plan (CVFPP) Update, with a focus on recapping the June 11 Board Workshop on outcome-based performance tracking for the 2022 CVFPP Update.

- D. San Joaquin Restoration Investments and Activities Update (*Marc Commandatore, Manager, Special Restorations Initiatives Branch, Division of Regional Assistance, Department of Water Resources*)

Department of Water Resources staff will provide a summary of various Department of Water Resources Divisions' and Programs' multi-benefit and ecosystem restoration investments and activities in the San Joaquin Valley that have been funded over the last several years, and how they align with the ecological goals and principles of the CVFPP Conservation Strategy.

10. BOARD ITEMS

- A. Strategic Plan Draft Update (*Leslie Gallagher, Executive Officer*) **(Informational)**

Board staff will introduce the Board's updated strategic plan, a guiding document for the organization. The 2021 Central Valley Flood Protection Board Strategic Plan is intended to define the Board's vision, mission, goals and objectives, direct staffing and resourcing decisions, and inform Stakeholders and the public on Board programs and priorities. After receiving input from the Board and public, staff will return to a future Board meeting requesting Board adoption.

- B. American River Watershed Common Features, Water Resources Development Act of 2016 (ARCF 2016) Project, American River Contract 2 (*Jennifer Calles, Environmental Services and Land Management Branch, Board Staff; Wilbur Huang and Miles Claret, Flood Projects Office, Department of Water Resources*) **(Informational)**

Informational briefing on the Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement / Environmental Impact Report for the ARCF 2016 Project, American River Contract 2, which consists of the installation of approximately 7,800 linear feet of erosion protection along two levee segments of the Lower American River, reconstruction of the Campus Commons Golf Course, and creation of three off-site habitat restoration sites for mitigation (Arden Pond and two areas at Rossmoor Bar).

- C. American River Watershed Common Features, Water Resources Development Act of 2016 (ARCF 2016) Project, Sacramento Weir Widening (*Jennifer Calles, Environmental Services and Land Management Branch, Board Staff; Kyle Bickler and Miles Claret, Flood Projects Office, Department of Water Resources*) **(Informational)**

Informational briefing on the Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement / Environmental Impact Report for the ARCF 2016 Project, Sacramento Weir Widening, which consists of constructing a 1,500-foot-long passive weir with the associated setback levee, roadway, and fish passage improvements.

- D. Tule Canal Charrette Outcomes and Report (*Ruth Darling, Flood Planning and Programs Branch, Board Staff; Doug Brown, Douglas Environmental*) **(Informational)**

Information briefing on the Tule Canal Charrette Outcomes Report that will describe Yolo County's groundbreaking, stakeholder-driven 2-day charrette/workshop held January 28 and 29, 2021, that focused on developing a shared vision for the Tule Canal within the Yolo Bypass.

- E. Regional Flood Management Plan Update – Feather River (*Ruth Darling, Board Staff; Paul Brunner, Three Rivers Levee Improvement Authority; Michael Bessette, Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency*) **(Informational)**

Informational briefing on the status of the planning efforts for the Feather River Regional Flood Management Plan (RFMP). Mr. Brunner and Mr. Bessette, representatives from the Feather River RFMP will provide background on the accomplishments of their planning efforts, projects completed and information on the current RFMP update.

- F. Permit No. 19477, Ecosystem Investment Partners (EIP), Lookout Slough Tidal Habitat Restoration and Flood Improvement Project (*Ali Porbaha, Plan Implementation and Compliance Branch, Board Staff; David Urban, Managing Director, Operations with Ecosystem Investment Partners*) **(Action Item)**

Consider adoption of Resolution 2021-06 to approve Permit No. 19477 to construct approximately 2.9 miles of a new setback levee along Duck Slough and Liberty Island Road. The existing Yolo Bypass levee will be breached at Shag Slough and partially degraded to provide tidal and flood connectivity between Shag Slough and with the Lookout Slough Project site. The existing Cache/Hass Slough levee will be improved to increase stability and reduce long-term maintenance cost. Grading, placement of fill material, and re-vegetation would restore and enhance approximately 3,164 acres of upland, tidal, and floodplain habitat. The Project is located within the legal Delta in the Lower Yolo Bypass, west of Liberty Island and northeast of Cache Slough (Solano County).

11. EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT (Documents Submitted for Board Member review)

- A. Update on the Board's Administration
- B. Update on the activities of the Operations Branch
- C. Update on the activities of the Plan Implementation and Compliance Branch
- D. Update on the activities of the Environmental Services and Land Management Branch
- E. Update on the activities of the Flood Planning and Programs Branch

12. BOARD COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

13. UPCOMING MEETINGS AND TOPICS FOR THE BOARD

- Inspection Compliance Workgroup, August 11, 2021 (WebEx)
- Board Workshop, August 13, 2021 (WebEx)
- Board Meeting, August 27, 2021 (WebEx)

14. CLOSED SESSION

- A. Pursuant to the authority of Government Code section 11126 (e)(i). To discuss litigation: Security National Insurance Co. vs. Central Valley Flood Protection Board, et al., STK-CV-UED-2019-12115. *(Kanwarjit (Jit) Dua, Board Counsel)*
- B. Pursuant to the authority of Government Code section 11126 (e)(i). To discuss litigation: Liam Meyer v. Central Valley Flood Protection Board, et al., Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 34-2020-00276397. *(Kanwarjit (Jit) Dua, Board Counsel)*
- C. Pursuant to the authority of Government Code section 11126, subdivisions (e)(1), (e)(2)(B)(i), and (e)(2)(C)(i), the Board will meet in Closed Session to consider potential litigation involving the Board. *(Kanwarjit (Jit) Dua, Board Counsel)*

15. CLOSED SESSION REPORT (Action Item)

16. ADJOURNMENT