

CENTRAL VALLEY FLOOD PROTECTION BOARD

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

January 22, 2016



OPERATIONS BRANCH

Status Report and Work Activities

Enforcement Section

Local Maintaining Agency (LMA) Coordination

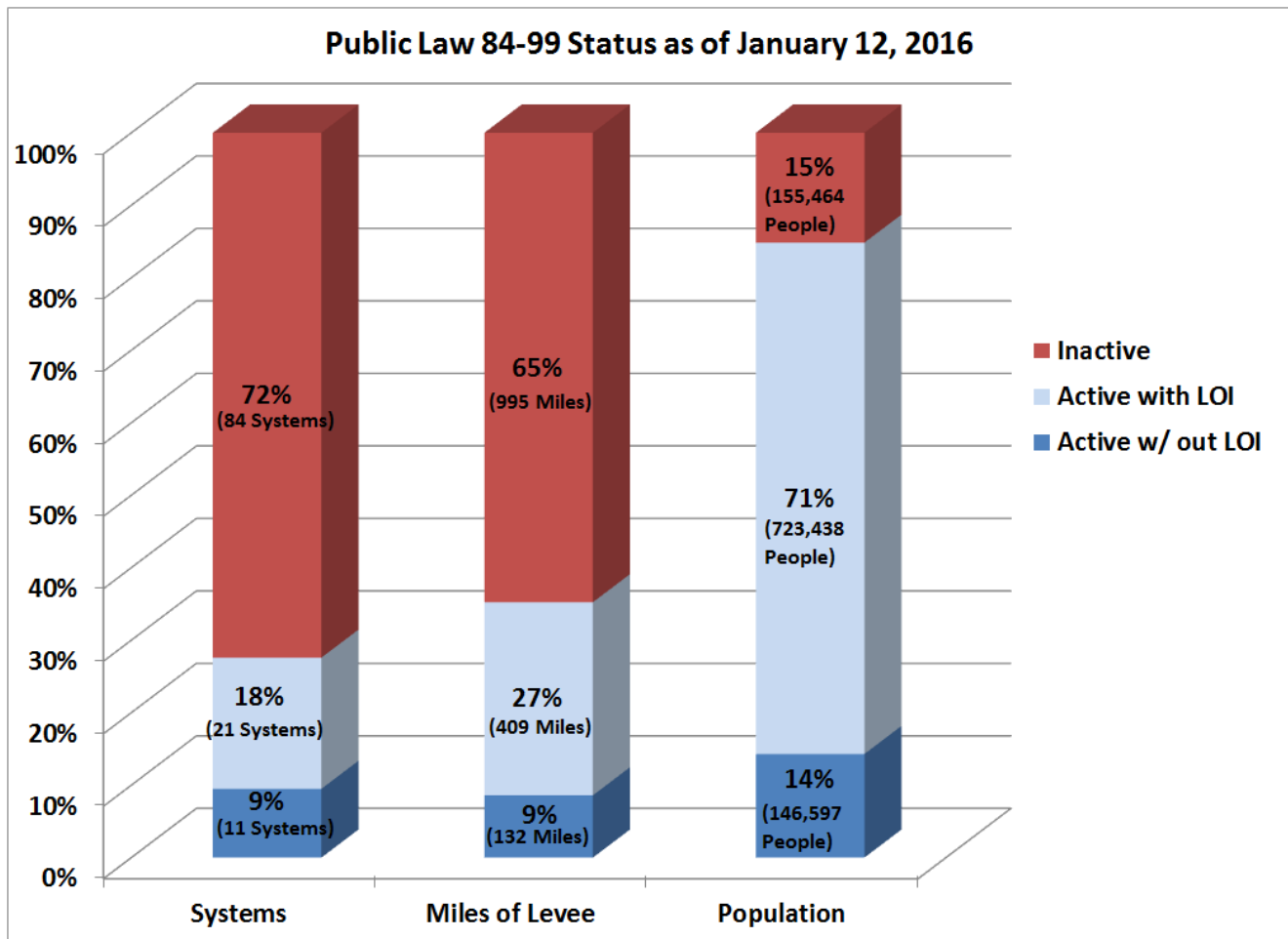
- At the request of the LMA, USACE is in the process of re-inspecting Reclamation District 1500. The inspection will be performed as a Routine inspection. It began January 12, 2016 and is expected to take multiple days to complete. Staff is participating in the re-inspection.
- Staff expects a new Letter of Intent for a System Wide Improvement Framework (SWIF) plan to be submitted for review in January 2016 for Reclamation Districts 2062 and 2107.
- Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency's SWIF progress report is due to USACE in February 2016.
- Three additional SWIF progress reports are due in March of 2016 to USACE for the Knights Landing system, the Sacramento River West Bank system, and for the Bear and Mormon Creek systems.
- SWIFs for the Maintenance Area 9 - City of Sacramento – American River left bank system and for Reclamation District 1000 system are due to USACE in May of 2016.

CVFPB Enforcement Program

- Staff is continues with their efforts to enter all encroachments into the Enforcement database from past USACE inspections. A student assistant has been hired to assist with this effort. Approximately 12,000 encroachments have been identified in USACE inspections over the past five years. Over the past month, approximately 2,200 encroachments have been entered into the Enforcement database. Once all encroachments identified in USACE inspections have been entered into the database, the encroachments can be sorted and priorities will be made based on actual or potential damage to the levee and population protected by the levee system.
- Three encroachment cases were resolved and closed over the past month for:
 - Unpermitted work performed to expand a previously permitted irrigation pump. After an NOV was issued, the respondent complied and applied for a permit for the unpermitted work. A permit was issued in October 2015.
 - A permitted gravity irrigation pipe was not being operated as described in the permit. Staff notified the respondent of the issue and the respondent voluntarily complied.
 - Unpermitted planting of an orchard within the floodway of approximately nine acres. After informing the respondent of the violation, the respondent voluntarily complied and removed the orchard from the floodway.

PL 84-99 levee system status as of January 12, 2016

- Systems: (72% Inactive, 9% Active w/ out LOI, 18% Active w/ LOI)
- Mileage: (65% Inactive, 9% Active w/ out LOI, 27% Active w/ LOI)
- Population: (15% Inactive, 14% Active w/ out LOI, 71% Active w/ LOI)



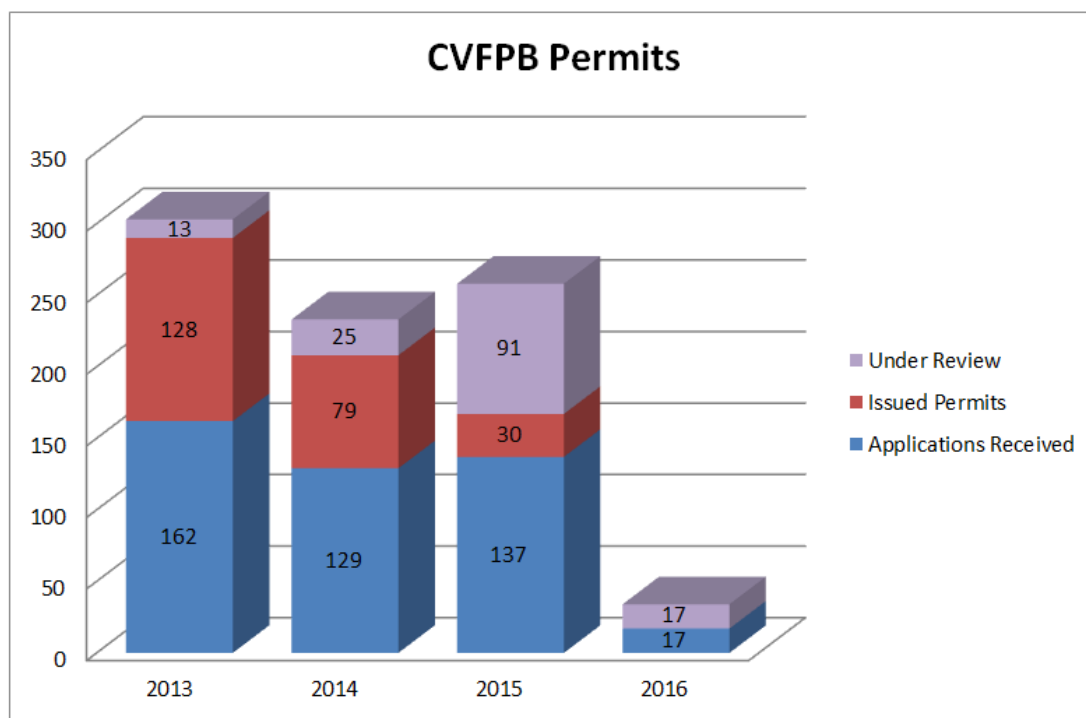
Staff is coordinating with Department of Water Resources staff to develop maps using a geographic information system (GIS) that will show PL 84-99 status of the levees within the State Plan of Flood Control. It is anticipated that the final maps will be available within 1-2 months.

Permitting Section

Board Staff attended a Yolo Bypass Permitting Workshop that was set-up by the USACE. The purpose of the workshop was to inform future project proponents of the permitting process and the requirements for permitting restoration projects within the Yolo Bypass. Attendees included representatives from RD-108, Yolo County, environmental groups, and consultants. Some of the restoration projects discussed includes the Putah Creek Realignment, Wallace Weir, Agricultural Crossings, and the Vic Fazio Wildlife Area Drainage Project.

Biweekly conference calls with the USACE Sacramento District Flood Protection and Navigation Section continue. All applications under USACE review that have passed their scheduled meeting date are discussed to ensure all issues are being addressed. Permitting staff also attend monthly coordination meetings with USACE and DWR to discuss/clarify any permitting and enforcement issues.

The following graph depicts the number of applications that have been received and issued since January 1, 2013.



The following three (3) tables provide more detailed information about the permitting process and the various stages of the review process. Table 1 provides a status breakdown of **all** permit applications from 2013, 2014, and 2015 through January 13, 2016. Table 2 provides a breakdown of applications approved by the Board but waiting for the USACE decision letter prior to issuance. Table 3 provides a status breakdown for all Executive Officer Delegated Permits from January 2015 through January 2016:

Table 1: Application Status Breakdown of All Permit Applications

	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
Total New Applications Received	162	129	137	17	445
Issued Permits	128	79	30	0	237
Incomplete Applications Returned to Applicant	2	3	7	0	12
Application Withdrawn by Applicant	3	8	3	0	14
No Response by Applicant Administratively Closed	6	5	1	0	12
No Permit Required	10	8	5	0	23
Permit Denial	0	1	0	0	1
Under Enforcement	2	4	2	0	8
Future Scheduled Applications	1	3	52	0	56
Reviewing for Completeness	7	10	28	17	62
Approved by Board but Need USACE Letter	3	8	9	0	20

Table 2: Conditionally Approved Applications

Approved by Board but Need USACE Letter	
Letter Routing	1
Additional information requested from applicant	4
In review at USACE	12
Regulatory issues/review	2
Major 408	1
Total	20

Table 3: Executive Officer Delegated Permit Status

Month	Posted	Issued	With Enforcement	With Applicant	With USACE
January 2015	7	3	2	1	1
February	2	1	0	1	0
March	1	1	0	0	0
April	1	1	0	0	0
May	4	2	1	0	1
June	2	1	0	0	1
July	8	4	0	1	3
August	6	0	0	1	5
September	2	1	0	1	0
October	2	2	0	0	0
November	1	0	0	0	1
December	3	1	0	0	2
January 2016	7	0	0	0	7
Totals	46	17	3	5	21

Additional information about Executive Officer Delegated Permits can be viewed on the Board's website @: <http://www.cvpfb.ca.gov/DelegatedPermitTab/index.cfm> Spreadsheets for each month provide descriptive information about the proposed project and the CEQA findings.

RIGHT-OF-WAY AND REAL ESTATE SUPPORT TO BOARD

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- **Real Property Conveyances**: *real estate transactions resulting from Board approved permits.*
 - Work is ongoing to acquire flood control levee easements as a special condition of the following Permits:
 - Nos. 17858-97 for Mossdale Marina, Lathrop, CA.
 - No. 18257 for Atlas Tract RD-2126, Stockton, CA.
 - No. 18305 for Capitol Station 65, LLC, Sacramento, CA.
 - Phase I Environmental Site Assessment Review completed.

- **Right of Way and Real Estate Support Activities**
 - Work is ongoing to provide real estate support services in conjunction with the geodetic branch for the Board Enforcement Section in the form of verifying existing SSJDD flood control property rights and providing exhibits.

- **Other Miscellaneous Activities**
 - Work is ongoing to organize CVFPB property management files.
 - Work is ongoing with DWR's Geodetic Branch to develop the CVFPB interactive database. DWR's Geodetic Branch is working on the initial software "build" with input from Board staff.

- **Completed Tasks**
 - Provided real estate support services in conjunction with the geodetic branch for the Board Enforcement Section in the form of verifying existing SSJDD flood control property rights and providing an exhibit for the North Fork Feather River Flood Control Channel.
 - Real Estate and Geodetic Services provided an updated map for Board Enforcement Staff regarding access to the Deer Creek Periodic Inspection area.