

CENTRAL VALLEY FLOOD PROTECTION BOARD

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AGENDA

CENTRAL VALLEY FLOOD PROTECTION BOARD MEETING

April 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)

- February 26, 2021 - Action to adopt will need to be postponed to the May Board meeting

4. REVIEW OF AGENDA

5. CONSENT ITEMS (Action Item)

A. Permit No. 18956-4, High Speed Rail Authority (*Ali Porbaha, Plan Implementation & Compliance Branch, Board Staff*)

Consider approval of Permit No. 18956-4 to construct a new two track precast railroad bridge track, approximately 670 feet long and 44 feet wide, and to add/remove a temporary trestle to facilitate construction of the permanent precast bridge over the Dutch John Cut, a distributary channel of the Kings River. The proposed bridge is a component of Construction Package 2-3 of the California High Speed Rail Project, which consists of 65.5 miles of track along an alignment from Fresno County to 1 mile north of Tulare/Kern County line. The project site is approximately 0.21 miles northwest of the intersection of 9th Avenue and Corona Avenue in Laton, California. (Kings County)

B. Permit No. 19469 Turlock Irrigation District (TID) (*Mauricio Meza, Operations Branch, Board Staff*)

Consider approval of Permit No. 19469 to construct an approximately 10-foot by 33-foot by 10-foot fish barrier structure with an elevated walkway and railing on the right (east) bank of the San Joaquin River. The proposed project is located approximately 3.25 miles southeast of the Crows Landing Bridge, near the Stanislaus and Merced County line. (Merced County)

C. Permit No. 19480, Quinley Avenue Bridge Replacement Project (*Nate Kibret, Operations Branch, Board Staff*)

Consider approval of Permit No. 19480 to remove and replace the existing Quinley Avenue Bridge over Black Rascal Creek with a 3-span cast-in-place reinforced concrete slab bridge. The project is located approximately 0.55 miles south of the intersection of CA State Highway 140 (McSwain Road) and Quinley Avenue, west of the City of Merced. (Merced County).

D. Permit No. 19573 Union Pacific Railroad Bridge Replacement (*Humberto Negrete, Operations Branch, Board Staff*)

Consider approval of Permit No. 19573 to replace the existing single-track, 8-span, 120-foot-long, timber stringer trestle ballast deck bridge with a single-track, 5-span, 150-foot-long bridge. Rock slope protection will be placed at the new bridge abutments for erosion control. A temporary in-water trestle will be used for bridge removal and construction. Temporary fill will be placed for site access and staging. The project is located where the existing Union Pacific Railroad Valley Subdivision rail line crosses Reeds Creek at Mile Post (MP) 135.11, approximately 2 miles southeast of the City of Olivehurst. (Yuba 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**

A. Monthly Report of the Department of Water Resources (*Steve Rothert, Chief, Division of Multiple Benefit Initiatives, Department of Water Resources*) (**Informational**)

Department of Water Resources project updates and recent events.

B. 2022 Central Valley Flood Protection Plan Update (*Mary Jimenez, Chief, Systemwide Multibenefit Initiatives Branch, Department of Water Resources*) (**Informational**)

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 how regional perspectives from the Regional Flood Management Program working groups will inform 2022 CVFPP Update's recommendations.

C. Merced Watershed Study Update: Climate Vulnerability and Adaptation Strategies (*Kamyar Guivetchi, Chief of the Division of Planning, Department of Water Resources, David Arrate, Senior Engineer, Department of Water Resources Flood-MAR team and Karandev Singh, Senior Engineer, Department of Water Resources Flood-MAR team*) (**Informational**)

Department of Water Resources staff will provide an update on study results demonstrating climate vulnerability and risk to multiple sectors in the Merced watershed and the adaptation potential of Flood-MAR strategies.

- D. Department of Water Resources Maintenance Area Budget: FY 2021/2022 (*Mark List, Supervising Engineering Geologist, Flood Maintenance Office, Department of Water Resources*) (Action Item)

Consider approval of Department of Water Resources Maintenance Area Budget for fiscal year 2021-2022.

10. BOARD ITEMS (Informational)

- A. American River Watershed Common Features, Water Resources Development Act of 2016 (ARCF 2016) Project, American River Contract 1 (*Itzia Rivera, Board Staff; Wilbur Huang and Miles Claret, Department of Water Resources Flood Projects Office*)

Informational briefing on the Supplemental Environmental Assessment / Environmental Impact Report for the ARCF 2016, American River Contract 1 Project to provide approximately 5,500 feet of bank protection along the American River.

- B. Board's Enforcement Program Informational Briefing (*Angeles Caliso, Board Enforcement Section Chief*)

Informational briefing on the Board's Enforcement Program that includes the Board's authority, prioritization, and current practices and achievements that address non-compliant encroachments throughout the Central Valley.

- C. Regional Flood Management Plan Update - Mid-Upper Sacramento River (*Ruth Darling, Board Staff; Meegan Nagy, Reclamation District 108; Radley Ott, Butte County; Brad Mattson, Reclamation District 1500*)

Informational briefing on the status of the planning efforts for the Mid-Upper Sacramento River (MUSR) Regional Flood Management Plan (RFMP). Representatives from the MUSR RFMP will provide background on the accomplishments of their planning efforts, projects completed and information on the current RFMP update.

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

12. BOARD COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

13. UPCOMING MEETINGS AND TOPICS FOR THE BOARD

- Inspection Compliance Workgroup, May 12, 2021 (WebEx)
- Board Workshop, May 14, 2021 (WebEx)
- Advisory Committee, May 20, 2021 (WebEx)
- Coordinating Committee, May 26, 2021 (WebEx)
- Board Meeting, May 28, 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