

Meeting Notice

Central Valley Flood Protection Board Meeting Date & Time

Friday, June 14, 2024 8:30 AM

Location

Meet at Target on Riverside southwest corner of parking lot: 2505 Riverside Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95818

Remote Attendance

No remote attendance option is available for this meeting.

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Tour Summary

The Central Valley Flood Protection Board will conduct site visits to the following proposed and ongoing project locations in the Sacramento San Joaquin Delta:

Little Egbert Tract;
Cache Slough Mitigation Bank;
Mellin Levee; and
Lookout Slough Tidal Habitat Restoration and Flood Improvement Project.

The proposed Little Egbert Multi-Benefit Project (LEMBP) is being considered on the approximately 3,000 acres Little Egbert Tract. The purpose of LEMBP is to actively manage the transition of the land from agriculture to tidal wetlands, subtidal, and riparian habitat in a manner that maximizes flood benefits and climate resilience, enhances ecosystem processes and recreational opportunities, and promotes regional agriculture. The proposed LEMBP includes flood infrastructure improvements including improvements to Reclamation District 536 levee and Mellin Levee.

The Mellin Levee protects the City of Rio Vista against flooding from Cache Slough and the Yolo Bypass. Improvements to the Mellin Levee are being proposed as part of the proposed LEMBP.

Cache Slough Mitigation Bank offers 212 tidal, freshwater wetland credits which would include dual species credits for Delta smelt, North American green sturgeon, California Central Valley steelhead, Chinook salmon (Central Valley spring-run and Sacramento River winter-run) and giant garter snake; and 104 credits of floodplain, riparian credits which include dual species credits for California Central Valley steelhead, Chinook salmon (Central Valley spring-run and Sacramento River winter-run) and giant garter snake.

The multi-benefit Lookout Slough Tidal Habitat Restoration and Flood Improvement Project is restoring over 3,000 acres of freshwater tidal wetland habitat for the California Department of Water Resources within the Cache Slough Complex and is increasing the flood conveyance capacity of the lower Yolo Bypass. The project has constructed a setback levee in accordance with current levee design criteria and will breach the existing Shag Slough Levee in nine locations allowing water to flow into the expanded bypass. The expanded bypass is being restored into tidal wetland to benefit native fish and wildlife including endangered Delta smelt. The project contributes toward 100-year level of protection for the area while contributing toward DWR's 8,000-acre tidal habitat restoration obligations pursuant to the 2008 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Delta Smelt Biological Opinion. The project is being implemented by DWR through a partnership with Ecosystem Investment Partners (EIP) and Reclamation District 2098.

Agenda

The items listed below may be considered in a different order at the Board's discretion. All items appearing on this agenda may be subject to Board action, whether expressly listed as an action item or not.

- 1. Roll Call, Establish a Quorum
- 2. Welcome, Introductions, and Announcements
- 3. Review Agenda
- 4. Public Comment (non-agenda items only)
- 5. Multi-Benefit Projects Tour

<u>Time Frame</u> 8:30 AM	<u>Location</u> Start of Tour Meet at Target on Riverside southwest corner of parking lot 2505 Riverside Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95818
8:30 AM – 9:10 AM	Drive to Lookout Slough Project ~40 min
9:10 AM – 10:40 AM	Lookout Slough Tidal Habitat Restoration and Flood Improvement Project Presentation and Site Visit
10:40 AM – 11:10 AM	Drive to Lunch at Burgerlicious ~30 min 650 CA-12, Rio Vista, CA 94571
11:10 AM – 12:10 PM	Lunch at Burgerlicious Food, water refill, and bathrooms available
12:10 PM – 12:15 PM	Drive to Little Egbert Tract ~5 min
12:15 PM – 1:45 PM	Cache Slough Mitigation Bank, Mellin Levee, and Proposed Little Egbert Multi-Benefit Project Tour
1:45 PM – 2:45 PM	Drive back to Target ~60 min 2505 Riverside Blvd, Sacramento, CA 95818
2:45 PM	Return to Target on Riverside End of Tour

6. Upcoming meetings

- Board Workshop, June 14, 2024 (SACOG)
- Board Meeting, June 28, 2024 (SACOG)

7. Closed Session

- A. Pursuant to the authority of Government Code section 11126 (e)(i), to discuss litigation: Sierra Northern Railway vs. Central Valley Flood Protection Board, et al., Superior Court of the State of California, County of Yolo Case No. CV-2022-0479.

 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 (e)(i), to discuss litigation: The People of The State vs. Yeung Farms Enterprises, Superior Court of the State of California, County of Yolo CV-2020-330. *Kanwarjit (Jit) Dua, Board Counsel*
- D. Pursuant to the authority of Government Code section 11126, subdivisions (e)(1), (e)(2)(B)(i), and (e)(2)(C)(i), to consider potential litigation involving the Board. *Kanwarjit (Jit) Dua, Board Counsel*
- E. Pursuant to the authority of Government Code section 11126, subdivisions (a)(1), to consider personnel matters. *Kanwarjit (Jit) Dua, Board Counsel*
- 8. Closed Session Report
- 9. Adjournment

Transportation

Transportation will not be provided; participants must have their own vehicles suitable for travel on gravel levee roads. Carpooling will be required for workshop attendees.

Lunch Arrangements

Lunch will not be provided, but we will be stopping at Burgerlicious for 1 hour between the two project sites. Staff are welcome to bring their own lunch if that's preferred. Burgerlicious Online Menu

Attire and Weather

Please wear attire suitable for walking on dirt roads, bring appropriate weather protection (such as hats, sunscreen, windbreaker), and provide your own water.

Public Comment

The Board and its staff value the public's input. Members of the public can provide comments to the Board verbally and/or in writing on any agenda item (except closed session items) or during public comment for items not on the agenda but in the Central Valley Flood Protection Board's jurisdiction.

Members of the public who wish to provide comments in writing are encouraged to submit them prior to the meeting by emailing the Board Clerk at jonah.knapp@cvflood.ca.gov. Comments received prior to the meeting will be provided to the Board Members. All written materials received by the Board in advance of or during the meeting are part of the public record.

Members of the public who wish to provide public comment during the meeting may do so in person. All speakers addressing the Board are requested to identify themselves and their affiliation for the record. In general, speakers will be limited to 3 minutes, but this may be adjusted at the discretion of the Board President.

If reasonable accommodation due to a disability or language assistance is needed, please contact the Office of Work Force Equality at (323) 848-9801 at least one week prior to the meeting. For technical support during the meeting, please send your question to questions@cvflood.ca.gov.