To: Interested Parties and Project Neighbors

From: Stein Buer, Executive Director

Re: Natomas Levee Improvement Program (NLIP): Contract 3980 - Natomas Cross Canal South Levee Phase 2 and Sacramento River East Levee Phase 1 (Reach 1) Construction Update

This memorandum is part of a series of notifications you will receive on construction activities for the Natomas Cross Canal (NCC) South Levee Phase 2 and Sacramento River East Levee Phase 1 (Reach 1) levee improvements.

The NCC South Levee Phase 2 improvements will include the construction of a cutoff wall in the NCC south levee, from the end of the wall completed in 2008 eastward to the Pleasant Grove Creek Canal, and then raising and widening the entire levee. The Sacramento River East Levee Phase 1 (Reach 1) work will include construction of a cutoff wall and an adjacent setback levee along the northern-most 3900 feet of the levee. The contract for this work is anticipated to be awarded at the April 16, 2009 SAFCA Board meeting. Upon award, the contractor will begin to prepare the site and mobilize equipment and labor on or around May 1, 2009.

Work on Contract 4032 - Sacramento River East Levee Phase 1B (Reaches 2-4B) is expected to begin in mid to late May of 2009. Upon selection of the contractor, and prior to performing this work, additional construction information will be mailed directly to you that will further explain what level of activity you can expect, including haul routes and work hours.

Neighbors of the project can also expect important information regarding pre-construction activity relating to the temporary relocation of utility poles and lines. These relocations are required to be undertaken before the construction of any levee improvements. SAFCA is working with the utility companies, PG&E and AT&T, to ensure that the pole relocations are performed in a manner that avoids or minimizes power and telephone service disruptions. Proposed utility pole relocations will include the installation of temporary wood poles along the landside (east side) of the Garden Highway. Power lines will be fed from the temporary poles on the landside to the waterside homes via existing service
hookups, whether they are overhead or under the Garden Highway. Once the construction of the levee embankment is completed, the temporary wood poles will be replaced with permanent metal poles along the new drainage swale between the new adjacent levee and the Garden Highway. SAFCA does not anticipate the need for any new power poles on the waterside of the Garden Highway at this time.

Once a temporary and permanent pole relocation plan is approved by the utility provider, SAFCA will make it available for your review. In addition, prior to any power service interruptions during the relocation process, SAFCA and the utility provider will let you know in advance what the anticipated activity and power outage schedule will be.

Detailed information about the project, including the Environmental Impact Report and Environmental Impact Statement, is available on SAFCA’s web site at www.safca.org. Click on the link “Natomas Levee Improvement Program” located under “Current Construction Projects”.

Again, you may anticipate additional project construction updates coming to you via direct mail, email, or posted on the SAFCA website. If you have questions or comments, to please call Jay Davis or Barbara Gualco from Gualco Consulting at (916) 351-0600 or email jdavis@gualco.com.

Attachment: Construction Phasing Map