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Agenda of February 20, 2014

**TO: Board of Directors
Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency**

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SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 20, 2014

General Update on Selected SAFCA Activities

American River Common Features General Reevaluation Report (GRR)

SAFCA has been working closely with the State and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Sacramento District to develop a Tentatively Selected or Locally Preferred Plan that would include a mutually acceptable manner to deal with vegetation and access issues along the levees. A successful resolution of these issues would allow the USACE, the State, and SAFCA to release a draft EIS/EIR later this year.

We have reached a point in the process where we need to enter into a Feasibility Cost Sharing Agreement to continue on with the GRR. We will likely be bringing that to the Board for approval at the March 2014 Board meeting.

Levee Accreditation

Last year the Board took actions to initiate work on developing options for how to address the work that is required to meet FEMA levee accreditation requirements. We will be providing you an update at the March 2014 Board meeting.

State Central Valley Flood Protection Plan - Lower Sacramento Delta North Region Regional Plan

SAFCA continues to work closely with our regional partners in developing the regional plan for the Lower Sacramento Delta North Region Regional Plan. All of SAFCA's projects will be included in the plan. These plans are a requirement of the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan approved in 2011 and are the future mechanism to receive State funding. A draft plan will be brought to the Board later this year.

Folsom Dam Joint Federal Project

As many of you are aware, there has been a lot of press coverage on the delivery of the new gates for the Folsom Dam Joint Federal Project from Oregon. Attachment A is a copy of the *Sacramento Bee* article.

The USACE is planning some type of media event in March to celebrate this milestone. As we get more details, we will provide them to the Board.

Folsom Dam Raise

The USACE continues its design activities on the Folsom Dam Raise. The USACE, the State and SAFCA are beginning the environmental scoping process by holding public scoping meetings February 19th and February 24th to discuss and solicit comments for the Folsom Dam Raise Project. Information on the meetings are as follows:

Folsom Community Center
52 Natoma Street, Folsom, CA
Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2014
5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Sacramento Library Galleria
828 I Street, Sacramento, CA
Monday, Feb. 24, 2014
5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

South Sacramento Streams Group

Design work continues on the final phase of the South Sacramento Streams Group (SSSG) Project. The USACE is taking the lead on the Florin Creek channel. SAFCA is taking the lead on the Florin Creek Detention Basin. The purpose of the detention basin is to detain and reduce the peak flood flows so that the USACE can construct the downstream channel within the right-of-way and within its Congressional cost ceiling. When these two projects are complete, residents along the Florin Creek will be eligible for reduced flood insurance rates.

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