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Agenda of June 16, 2016

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

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SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT FOR JUNE 16, 2016

Folsom Dam Water Control Manual

On May 25, 2016, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), in concert with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, the California Department of Water Resources and the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency, held the final Public Workshop on the Folsom Dam Water Control Manual update. The purpose of this workshop was to review and discuss the tentatively-selected alternative and the environmental effects of the tentatively-selected alternative. Approximately 90 stakeholders attended.

Water Resources Development Act 2016 Update

As previously reported, the Senate Environment and Public Works (EPW) Committee version of the Water Resources Development Act 2016 (S. 2828) was reported out of EPW on April 28, 2016 with a 19-1 favorable vote. It now awaits a Senate floor vote. It includes an authorization for the American River Watershed Common Features General Reevaluation and a modification of credit language requested by SAFCA.

The House Transportation and Infrastructure (T&I) Committee passed its version of the Water Resources Development Act 2016 (HR 5303) on May 25, 2016. It now awaits a House floor vote. It includes an authorization for the American River Watershed Common Features General Reevaluation but did not include the modification of credit language requested by SAFCA.

Federal FY 2017 Appropriations Bill:

On May 12, 2016, the U.S. Senate passed the FY 2017 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Bill. The legislation, which is the first FY 2017 appropriations bill passed by the Senate, was approved with a 90 to 8 vote. The bill's passage marks the earliest that the Senate has approved a stand-alone appropriations measure in seven years.

The Senate bill includes the same amounts for SAFCA projects as were in the President's Proposed Budget for FY 2017 as shown in the table below.

SAFCA Federal FY 2017 Appropriations – Status Chart
 (\$ in Millions)

PROJECT	FY 2016 TOTAL	FY 2017 President's Proposed Budget 2/9/16
American River Watershed (Folsom Dam Modifications/JFP) - Construction	61.024	20.74
American River Watershed (Folsom Dam Raise) - Construction	18.641	21.04
American River Common Features, Natomas Basin - Investigation	3.500	0
American River Common Features, Natomas Basin - Construction	11.000	21.15
TOTAL	94.165	62.93
Other:		
Sacramento River Bank Protection - Construction	6.000	8.00
Sacramento River Bk. Prot. GRR - Investigation	0	0.625

However, the U.S. House of Representatives failed to pass the Energy and Water Appropriations Bill for FY 2017 on a vote of 112-305 because of a controversial amendment unrelated to the USACE. It is not clear whether this issue can be resolved to allow another vote on the bill, or whether this issue will sink the entire appropriations process and necessitate another “continuing resolution.”