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Agenda of September 21, 2017

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

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SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 21, 2017

DISASTER RELIEF AND APPROPRIATIONS BILL

On September 8, 2017, the President signed into law the *Continuing Appropriations Act, 2018 and Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Requirements Act, 2017*. The bill includes supplemental disaster relief funds for the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA's) Disaster Relief Fund, the Small Business Administration, and the Department of Housing and Urban Development's Community Development Block Grant Program. Also included in the bill are continuing appropriations for Federal agencies, a temporary extension of the debt limit and an extension of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) – all until December 8, 2017. A three-month extension of the NFIP will provide an opportunity to work on the pending authorization bills in both chambers with the deadline of December 8 for action, which will be critical, since Congress will be facing a number of critical issues in this early December timeframe.

AMERICAN RIVER WATERSHED COMMON FEATURES – NATOMAS BASIN UPDATE

As previously reported, the USACE awarded the Reach I, Contract 1 on July 24, 2017 to Great Lakes-Inquip JV. However, a protest was received and evaluated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) which determined that corrective action is required. Therefore, the award of the contract was suspended September 1, 2017. A new Request for Proposals package will be submitted to the bidders. The exact schedule is yet to be determined.

CENTRAL VALLEY FLOOD PROTECTION PLAN UPDATE 2017

In accordance with the Central Valley Flood Protection Act of 2008 (2008 Act), the Department of Water Resources (DWR) prepared an update to the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan (CVFPP) initially adopted by the Board in 2012. The resulting 2017 CVFPP Update went through a significant public review process, resulting in an amended document that incorporates both stakeholder and Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB) member comments. In order to comply with the 2008 Act and California Water Code requirements, DWR updated the CVFPP and developed or updated the following additional documents:

- 2017 Central Valley Flood Protection Plan Update;
- 2017 State Plan of Flood Control Descriptive Document Update in conjunction with the 2010 State Plan of Flood Control Descriptive Document; and
- 2017 Flood System Status Report.

On August 25, 2017, the CVFPB formally adopted the 2017 Central Valley Flood Protection Plan Update.

The 2008 Act and resulting California Water Code §9612, directed DWR to prepare a Central Valley Flood Protection Plan to be adopted by the Central Valley Flood Protection Board by July 1, 2012. On June 29, 2012, the Board adopted the 2012 CVFPP. The 2008 Act also directed that the CVFPP be updated in subsequent years ending in 2 and 7.

The 2017 CVFPP Update further refines and describes in detail the State Systemwide Investment Approach (SSIA) to managing flood risk in the Central Valley. The 2017 CVFPP Update defines the required level of investment needed to accomplish the goals and objectives of the 2017 CVFPP Update consistent with the 2008 Act, including a recommended funding plan.

The 2017 CVFPP Update includes recommendations on investments and policies to support comprehensive flood risk management actions locally, regionally, and systemwide, rather than promoting specific projects. The 2017 CVFPP Update is the first five year update of the CVFPP and refines the CVFPP adopted by the Board in 2012. The CVFPP is updated on a 5-year cycle in accordance with the requirements of the 2008 Act and CWC § 9600 through § 9625. The 2017 CVFPP Update is descriptive, not decisional, and does not act as a funding or permitting decision document for specific projects. In addition, the 2017 CVFPP Update is consistent with the CVFPP in improving flood risk management in the Central Valley as it refines the CVFPP adopted in 2012, and therefore, improves public safety.

Because the 2017 CVFPP Update is descriptive, not decisional, it does not propose modifications to the State Plan of Flood Control. Rather, it is a strategic and long-range plan for improving flood risk management in the Central Valley. The 2017 CVFPP Update draws upon the latest climate science and understanding to assess the effects of sea-level rise and the hydrological impacts in the Central Valley, and provides recommendations for improved flood risk management. The 2017 CVFPP Update also identifies ongoing and planned development in the floodplain and provides recommendations for land use and floodplain management that are intended to further improve flood risk management in the Central Valley.

TAX BILLS

By way of reminder, the tax bills will be mailed out within the next month, which will include the Consolidated Capital Assessment District No. 2 (CCAD 2) assessment for the first time. If you receive any inquiries about SAFCA assessments, please direct those to Jason Campbell at CampbellJA@SacCounty.net or (916) 874-7606.