February 4, 2009

To: Property Owner

From: Stein Buer, Executive Director

Re: Natomas Cross Canal South Levee Phase 2 and Sacramento River East Levee Phase 1 (Reach 1-4A) Construction

On February 9, 2009, the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency (SAFCA) will begin advertising for contract bids to complete Natomas Cross Canal (NCC) South Levee Phase 2 and Sacramento River East Levee Phase 1 (Reach 1-4A) levee improvement work. The overall objective of these improvements is to address through-seepage and underseepage potential and reduce the risk of flooding in the Natomas Basin. SAFCA anticipates that the contract will be awarded on March 19, with construction beginning in mid-April of this year.

The NCC Phase 2 improvements involve constructing a cutoff wall in the westerly portion of the NCC south levee to the Pleasant Grove Creek Canal and then raising and widening the entire levee. Improvements along the Sacramento River East Levee will consist of building an adjacent setback levee against the east side of the existing levee from Reach 1-4A, which stretches from the NCC to south approximately 4 miles, just north of the Prichard Lake Pumping Plant. These improvements and the impacts associated with their construction are identified in the following documents:


We anticipate that the contractor will begin mobilization and project site preparation in early April. A more detailed description of construction activity will be sent to you prior to the start of construction. For properties that have any existing structures and/or water wells, SAFCA is offering pre-construction monitoring. The enclosed documents describe more fully what the monitoring entails.

Detailed information about the project, including the Environmental Impact Reports and 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”.

SAFCA has assigned Gualco Consulting to respond to questions or comments by the community. Please feel free to call Jay Davis or Barbara Gualco at (916) 351-0600 or email jdavis@gualco.com.

Attachment: Construction Phasing Map
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SUBJECT: Natomas Levee Improvement Program
Pre-Construction Property Inspections

Dear Property Owner:

The Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency (SAFCA) will be constructing levee improvements near your property as part of the Natomas Levee Improvement Program (NLIP). This work is expected to start in April 2009.

Prior to construction, SAFCA is offering pre-construction property inspections to property owners adjacent to the construction activity. These inspections may include the following:

**Video Recording**
During some construction activities, there is the rare chance that vibrations induced by heavy equipment can impact structures. Pre-construction video recordings are intended to provide a record of pre-construction conditions of structure(s) on your property. Video recording typically takes between 1-2 hours depending on the extent of the recording. We recommend recording both the exterior and interior of structures on the property.

**Water Well Testing**
Prior to earth moving activities or the installation of cutoff walls adjacent to your property, SAFCA can perform evaluations of well water quality and measure water flow. The same evaluations will be offered post-construction activity for a comparison of results.

These inspections are offered to property owners at no cost, but only by request. The scope of the inspections and documentation will be determined upon further consultation with you.
Temporary Relocation
SAFCA offers temporary relocation benefits on a case-by-case basis where major construction for a prolonged period of time outside of normal construction hours would create significant impacts on adjacent residents. This includes reasonable reimbursement of local hotel or short-term rental stays during major 24-hour per day construction activities near your residence.

If you are interested in a pre-construction inspection of your property, please return the enclosed form.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Jay Davis at (916) 351-0600 or j.davis@gualco.com.
Pre-construction Inspection Request Form

I am interested in SAFCA conducting a pre-construction inspection of my property and residence. Please contact me to discuss the scope of the inspection and arrange a time.

Owner’s Name: ____________________________________________________________

Property Address: __________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: ____________________________________________________________
(If different from the property address)

Telephone Number(s): ______________________________________________________

Please return by mail to:

Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency
Attn: Jay Davis
1007 7th Street, 7th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Or by fax to:
(916) 351-9392

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