

RESOLUTION NO. 07-015

Adopted by the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency

CERTIFICATION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT ON LOCAL FUNDING MECHANISMS FOR COMPREHENSIVE FLOOD CONTROL IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE SACRAMENTO AREA; ADOPTION OF FINDINGS AND A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS, MITIGATION MEASURES, AND A MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM; AND APPROVAL OF THE NATOMAS CROSS CANAL SOUTH LEVEE PHASE 1 IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the Natomas Cross Canal (NCC) South Levee Phase 1 Improvements ("NCC Phase 1 Improvements" or Project) consists of the first Project in the flood control program known as Local Funding Mechanisms for Comprehensive Flood Control Improvements for the Sacramento Area (Program); and

WHEREAS, the Project is fully described in Volume II, Chapter 2 of the November 2006 Draft Environmental Impact Report on Local Funding Mechanisms for Comprehensive Flood Control Improvements for the Sacramento Area, as amended by the February 2007 Final Environmental Impact Report Responses to Comments and Revisions to the Draft EIR (State Clearinghouse No. 2006072098) (together, the Final EIR), and consists of improving a strategic reach of the Natomas levee system, the westernmost portion of the NCC south levee, to reduce the risk of flooding in a significant portion of the Sacramento metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, the Project would address through-seepage and underseepage potential in the westernmost 12,500 feet of the NCC, which is subject to these conditions and which conditions pose a threat to levee integrity and flood control security, through construction of a cutoff wall to a depth of approximately 70 to 80 feet; and

WHEREAS, SAFCA desires construction of the Project to commence in 2007, before the start of the next flood season; and

WHEREAS, the Draft EIR describing the Project has been circulated for public review, comments have been received and responses issued, and a Final EIR for the Program, including the Project, has been prepared; and

WHEREAS, the Final EIR has been presented to the Board and the Board has reviewed and considered the information contained in the Final EIR.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SACRAMENTO AREA FLOOD CONTROL AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS THAT:

1. The Board hereby certifies that the Final EIR for the Local Funding Mechanisms for Comprehensive Flood Control

Improvements for the Sacramento Area, including the NCC Phase 1 Improvements, has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code Section 21000 *et seq.*, and reflects the independent judgment of SAFCA.

2. The Board hereby adopts the Findings and Statement of Overriding Considerations for the NCC Phase 1 Improvements, attached hereto as "Exhibit A," including the Statement of Overriding Considerations set forth therein.
3. The Board hereby adopts and incorporates into the Project all of the mitigation measures for the NCC Phase 1 Improvements within the responsibility and jurisdiction of SAFCA that are identified in the Findings.
4. The Board hereby adopts the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the NCC Phase 1 Improvements, attached hereto as "Exhibit B."
5. The Board hereby approves the NCC Phase 1 Improvements.

ON A MOTION BY Director Dickinson, seconded by Director Shiels, the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency, this 15th day of February 2007, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Directors: Christophel; Cohn; Dickinson; Fargo; Holloway; MacGlashan; Moose; Nottoli; Peters; Shiels; Yee

NOES: Directors: Silva

ABSTAIN: Directors:

ABSENT: Directors: Tretheway



Chair of the Board of Directors of the
Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency

(SEAL)

ATTEST:



Clerk of the Board of Directors