

## Notice of Availability

### Public Notice of Availability of a Draft Program Environmental Impact Report for the 2012 Central Valley Flood Protection Plan (SCH # 2010102044)

**DATE: MARCH 6, 2012**

California Department of Water Resources  
1416 9th Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) has made available for public review and comment the Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (DPEIR) for the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan (CVFPP). This DPEIR will inform DWR, which is developing the CVFPP, and the Central Valley Flood Protection Board, which will consider adoption of the CVFPP, about potential program-level environmental effects and mitigation measures from implementation of the CVFPP. Individual future projects will be implemented by project proponents such as DWR and other federal, State, or local agencies. Activities analyzed include improvement, remediation, repair, construction, reconstruction, and operation and maintenance of flood management facilities in the study area.

The proposed program primarily addresses areas receiving flood risk reduction benefits from facilities of the State Plan of Flood Control or from facilities and operation of the Sacramento–San Joaquin River Flood Management System; an area known as the Systemwide Planning Area. Potential effects on the Sacramento and San Joaquin valley and foothills and Southern California/coastal Central Valley Project/State Water Project service areas are also analyzed in the DPEIR. The program area includes Cortese-listed sites as identified in Government Code Schedule 65962.5.

The DPEIR found the following significant or potentially significant resource impacts that were reduced to a less-than significant level with the implementation of mitigation measures: aesthetics, groundwater resources, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology, noise, recreation, utilities and service systems, and water quality. Agricultural and forestry resources, biological resources – aquatic, biological resources – terrestrial, cultural resources, geology, soils and seismicity (including mineral and paleontological resources), land use and planning, and transportation and traffic may have impacts that could be significant and unavoidable or potentially significant and unavoidable.

**The Draft Program Environmental Impact Report is available for public review and comment for 45 days. Written comments must be received at the physical or email address below no later than close of business (5 p.m. PST) Friday, April 20, 2012:**

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Please include “Comments on the March 2012 CVFPP DPEIR” in the subject line of email or paper comment submittals.

The DPEIR may be reviewed during normal business hours (generally 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays) at the following locations:

DWR – Main Office, 1416 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

DWR – Northern District Office, 2440 Main Street. Red Bluff, CA 96080

DWR – Central Valley Flood Planning Office, 3464 El Camino Ave, Suite 150, Sacramento, CA 95821

Sacramento County Central Library, 828 "I" Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

Stanislaus County Library – Modesto Branch, 1500 "I" Street, Modesto, CA 95354

Butte County Library – Chico Branch, 1108 Sherman Avenue, Chico, CA 95926

UC Merced Library - 5200 North Lake Road, Merced, CA 95343

UC Davis Library - 100 NW Quad, Davis, CA 95616

All documents referenced in the DPEIR are available at MWH, 3321 Power Inn Road, Suite 300, Sacramento, CA. The DPEIR is available on the following websites where it may be viewed or downloaded: [www.water.ca.gov/cvfmp/documents.cfm](http://www.water.ca.gov/cvfmp/documents.cfm).

**DPEIR SCHEDULE (*public hearings in italics*)**

Public Release Date of DPEIR	March 6, 2012
<i>Public Hearing - Sacramento. Resources Building, Auditorium, 1416 Ninth Street</i>	April 5, 2012 – 2 p.m.
<i>Public Hearing – Marysville, Yuba County Government Office, Board of Supervisors Boardroom, 915 8th Street</i>	April 6, 2012 – 2 p.m.
<i>Public Hearing – Stockton, San Joaquin County Robert J. Cabral Agricultural Center, 2101 E. Earhart Avenue</i>	April 9, 2012 – 4:30 p.m.
<i>Public Hearing – Woodland, Yolo County Board of Supervisors Building, 625 Court Street</i>	April 11, 2012 – 4:30 p.m.
End of 45-day DPEIR Public Comment Period	April 20, 2012 – 5 p.m.

## Counties included in DPEIR Study Area

Alameda	Plumas
Alpine	Riverside
Amador	Sacramento
Butte	San Benito
Calaveras	San Bernardino
Colusa	San Diego
Contra Costa	San Joaquin
El Dorado	San Luis Obispo
Fresno	Santa Barbara
Glenn	Santa Clara
Imperial	Santa Cruz
Kern	Shasta
Kings	Sierra
Lake	Siskiyou
Lassen	Solano
Los Angeles	Stanislaus
Madera	Sutter
Mariposa	Tehama
Merced	Tulare
Modoc	Tuolumne
Napa	Ventura
Nevada	Yolo
Orange	Yuba
Placer	