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Delta Levees Special Flood Control Projects Program – Projects Solicitation Package

Dear:

**Introduction**

The Delta Levee Special Flood Control Projects Program (Program) is pleased to announce the release of the February 2016 Multi-Benefit Projects Solicitation Package (PSP). This PSP provides \$60,000,000 in local assistance funding from Propositions 1E and 84 for multi-benefit projects that integrate levee and habitat improvement while protecting discrete and identifiable public benefits in the Delta.

**Background**

The Program was established in 1988 by Senate Bill 34, and continues to operate under subsequent legislation that extends and provides funding for the Program. Originally, the Program was authorized to address flooding on the Eight Western Islands, Thornton, New Hope and Walnut Grove. In 1996, the Program was expanded to the entire Delta and to portions of Suisun Marsh. The passage of Proposition 1E and Proposition 84 in November 2006 significantly increased the amount of money available for levee projects in the Delta. The Department has invested over \$350 million dollars in flood control and habitat projects through the Program, carried out by local levee maintaining agencies in the Delta.

**Projects Solicitation Package for Multi-Benefit Projects**

This PSP solicits eligible projects that integrate levee improvement (up to the DWR Bulletin 192-82 template), habitat enhancement, emergency response, seismic resiliency, and export water supply reliability. The PSP is available on the Department's website at:

[http://www.water.ca.gov/floodsafe/fessro/deltalevees/special\\_projects/docs/special\\_PSP2016.pdf](http://www.water.ca.gov/floodsafe/fessro/deltalevees/special_projects/docs/special_PSP2016.pdf)

The PSP follows criteria under the current Program Guidelines: 2014 Guidelines for Providing Funding to Local Public Agencies. The Guidelines are available at:

[http://www.water.ca.gov/floodsafe/fessro/deltalevees/special\\_projects/special\\_guidelines.cfm](http://www.water.ca.gov/floodsafe/fessro/deltalevees/special_projects/special_guidelines.cfm)

The PSP has a two phase process. The first phase requires the submittal of a Concept Proposal. Applicants who submit a Concept Proposal that successfully meets the PSP requirements may be asked by the Program to participate in phase two, and provide a Full Application for the Program's review and consideration. The PSP details the scoring for the criterion discussed in the Guidelines, and the submittal process. The Concept Proposal submittal form is available at:

[http://www.water.ca.gov/floodsafe/fessro/deltalevees/special\\_projects/docs/special\\_PSP\\_concept\\_form\\_program\\_final.pdf](http://www.water.ca.gov/floodsafe/fessro/deltalevees/special_projects/docs/special_PSP_concept_form_program_final.pdf)

Concept Proposals may be submitted to the Program electronically (ADOBE pdf format using the form provided) or by United States Post Office. **The deadline to submit Concept Proposals, under this PSP, to the Department of Water Resources is March 18, 2016.** Completed Concept Proposals may be mailed or hand delivered to:

**Andrea L. Lobato, P.E., Manager  
Delta Levees Program  
Department of Water Resources  
1416 Ninth Street, Room 1641-2  
Sacramento, California 95814**

Submittal by US Post Office **must be postmarked no later than March 18, 2016.**

For electronic submittals, please send Concept Proposal form to:

[DeltaLeveesProgram@water.ca.gov](mailto:DeltaLeveesProgram@water.ca.gov).

If you have any questions please call me at (916) 651-9295. You may also call Jon Wright at (916) 651-7010 or Rebecca Barrón at (916) 651-0868.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Andrea L. Lobato", with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Andrea L. Lobato, P.E., Manager  
Delta Levees Program