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### **DWR Issues Informational Report Regarding Two Federal Studies on American River Basin Water Issues**

The State Department of Water Resources (DWR) today released a report summarizing two federal studies focusing on water issues in and near the American River Basin.

A U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' study addresses the critical need for increased flood protection for the Sacramento area. A study by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation analyzes water supply needs, and ways to meet those needs, in five counties: El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, San Joaquin and Sutter. (The first three counties lie within the American River Basin. A portion of Sutter County is within the basin but San Joaquin County is outside it.)

The DWR report **does:**

- Serve as an informational tool to summarize major findings in the two federal reports.
- Describe the interrelationship of the preferred flood control plan and the water supply alternatives as set forth in the reports.
- Discuss the timeline to complete and implement results of each study.
- Provide a brief overview of local water supply planning efforts being conducted in parallel with the Bureau's investigation.

The report does **not:**

- Substitute for, or supplement either of the two reports.
- Propose any additional alternatives.
- Formulate a "combined alternative" that addresses both flood control and water supply.
- Describe a plan that provides new water supplies outside the five-county study area.
- Attempt to address Bay-Delta water issues.
- Serve as an environmental document.

To obtain copies of the DWR report, contact Ricardo Pineda at (916) 653-5434.

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