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Flood Board Outlines Process, Timeline for Review, Adoption of New Central Valley Flood Protection Plan

SACRAMENTO -- The Central Valley Flood Protection Board today began a five-month process of reviewing the draft Central Valley Flood Protection Plan, with adoption scheduled for June 2012. Officials of the Department of Water Resources made a detailed presentation of the sweeping plan to improve Central Valley flood safety at the Board's morning meeting in Sacramento.

Jay S. Punia, Board Executive Officer, then briefly outlined steps in the review process, which welcomes input and comments by stakeholders and members of the public.

(A webcast of the meeting may be accessed through the Flood Board's website at www.cvfpb.ca.gov. The plan and instructions for submitting comments may be accessed at www.water.ca.gov/cvfmp)

An important date is Friday, Feb. 24, the next regularly scheduled Flood Board meeting, when the public may make recommendations for key plan areas the Board should focus on in its review. On March 23, the Board agenda will include a review of the plan's environmental documentation. During April, the public will have an opportunity to comment at two public meetings sponsored by the Board, and perhaps at a third. Dates will be announced shortly and will be posted to the Board website. Likely locations include Sacramento, Marysville and Stockton. Regular Board meetings are scheduled for April 27, May 25 and June 22 with final Board adoption required by June. All the regular Board meetings during this five-month period are scheduled for the Resources Building at 1416 Ninth Street in downtown Sacramento.