Regional Flood Management Program Update

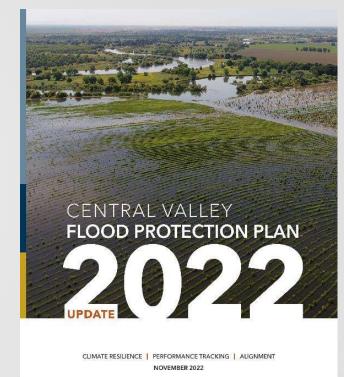


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Central Valley Flood Protection Plan (CVFPP)

- Fulfills requirements of the Central Valley Flood Protection Act of 2008
- State's strategic blueprint for Central Valley flood risk management
- Dynamic plan, updated in 5-year cycles
- Prioritizes the State's investment in flood management over the next three decades
- Promotes multi-benefit projects





http://cvfpb.ca.gov/cvfpp/

CVFPP regionally supported and built from the ground up

- Investment need has been created from collaboration and engagement between local, State and federal partners
- Of the 1,000+ portfolio actions, approx. 75% were driven by regional partners
- Integration and Alignment many actions overlap between regions, State, and federal partners





What is RFMP?

- A component of the CVFPP
- State funded effort to add regional priorities, desired projects, cost estimates, challenges, coordination and implementation highlights to CVFPP
- Program to bring stakeholders together
- Roadmap for improving flood safety in your region





Purpose of Regional Flood Management Program (RFMP)

- Facilitate regional CVFPP coordination
- Engage local agencies in Central Valley flood management planning and implementation
- Gather detailed regional information for projects' feasibility, evaluation and implementation
- Develop local flood management strategy and priorities
- Create a financial plan for future projects





What RFMP does not directly do:

- Endorse individual projects or programs for funding decisions
- Provide project implementation funds
- Generate cash flow to grant or direct assistance programs to be administered to individual projects
- Fund permit applications or preparation of environmental regulatory documents





RFMP Funding

- Funded over \$24 million from Prop 1E & 68 to date
- Current Guidelines finalized in June 2022 allow General Fund and Prop 68 funding
- RFMP funds Direct Expenditures or Direct Activities related to CVFPP
- Program anticipates all P68 funds to be committed to agreements in late 2023





Current Phase 4 Funding

- Six new agreements executed since April 1, 2023
 - Contract through 2026
 - Prop 68 funded
 - Agreements will be amended with additional funding (\$1.8m) later this year





Key Recommendations in 2022 CVFPP



- Continue to support and expand the role of RFMPs.
- Future C&E efforts will include greater outreach to vulnerable, disadvantaged, small, and/or rural communities.
- Continue discussions on flood management needs, challenges, and opportunities.



Key Steps/Tasks for 2027

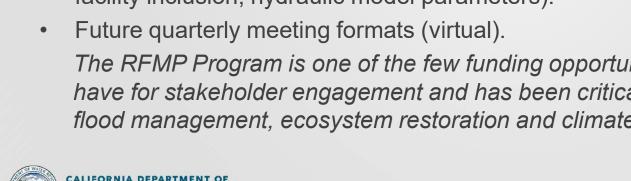
- Engaging DACs, NGOs, other community benefit organizations.
- Engage regions as early as feasible in order to:
 - Inform them of scope of technical analyses from the onset.
 - Ensure sufficient time for deliverables.
- Clear understanding of roles in the DWR-RFMP partnership and expected timelines.
- Adapt and leverage flexibility of RFMP program to maximize efficiency and reflect the distinct characteristics and needs of each region
 - One size fits all approach" is not appropriate.
- Streamline the RFMP project portfolio collection and selection process.
- Improve the OMRR&R cost and life-cycle data collection.



Anticipated Obstacles or Opportunities

- Identify nuances and differing priorities between regions when developing work plans and amending agreements.
- Early coordination with regions for 2027 update.
- Disconnect on the usage of various data sets.
 - Example: ULE/NULE can't be used for RFMP plan but were used in the FSSR document.
- Concerns about technical analyses (i.e., flood facility inclusion, hydraulic model parameters).

The RFMP Program is one of the few funding opportunities that some regions have for stakeholder engagement and has been critical to building support for flood management, ecosystem restoration and climate adaptation priorities.



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Questions and Discussion



