

CCVFCA'S Flood Flash

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CALENDAR ALERTS

October 26

Natural Resources Agency <u>public workshop</u> on <u>draft plan</u> for adapting to climate change, 10:00am-Noon, 1516-9th St (Energy Commission), Sacramento.

October 27

Sacramento River Watershed Program <u>Annual Stakeholder Meeting</u>, 9:00am-3:00pm, 1321 Garden Highway (Sierra Health), Sacramento.

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<u>Sustainable Groundwater Implementation technical session</u> for local public agencies, 1:00-4:00pm, 1001 I St, Coastal Hearing Room, Sacramento.

**October 29

CVFPP Coordinating Committee meeting, 9:00 am, West Sacramento City Hall.

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Public Workshop on Folsom Dam Water Control Manual Update, 9:00am-Noon, Sterling Hotel, 1300 H St., Sacramento. **Please RSVP by sending email to** <u>ssherry@ccp.csus.edu</u> with a simple "YES," "NO" or "MAYBE." Direct any questions regarding this workshop to <u>Cynthia Brooks</u>, Senior Project Manager, Joint Federal Project, Sacramento District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, (916) 557-6745. To review information previously provided on the Manual Update, <u>click here</u>.

October 30

Deadline has been extended 60 days to comment on BDCP's new Preferred Project and EIR/EIS. Documents and information about the new alternatives and where to submit written comments available on BDCP's website: <u>http://</u> baydeltaconservationplan.com/2015PublicReview/PublicReviewRDEIRSDEIS/

November 6

USACE Regulatory Program Workshop, 1:30-4:00 pm, 1325 J St, Rm 814, Sacramento. Space limited, RSVP required to attend.

November 9

<u>Deadline to submit comments</u> on <u>CA WaterFix 404 permit</u> application submitted by DWR to USACE for construction of new conveyance facilities in the Delta.

November 13

Deadline to comment on DSC's <u>"Draft Levee-Related Habitat Review"</u>

November 30

Deadline to comment on "Safeguarding California: Implementing Action Plans"

December 11

Dec 11 – Deadline to comment on draft <u>Small Communities Flood Risk Reduction Program Guidelines</u> for allocation of funding for levee improvement projects.

** April 20-21

<u>CA Water Policy conference</u>, UC Davis Conference Center.

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KEEPING UP

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CCVFCA Participates in Flood Preparedness Week Activities

As part of the fifty or more California events held during Flood Preparedness Week (October 19-24), the CA Central Valley Flood Control Association organized a briefing at the State Capitol on Friday, October 23rd to educate legislative staff about urban level of flood protection progress and challenges, featuring Anthony Deus with the California Department of Water Resources, John Maguire with San Joaquin County Department of Public Works, George Booth with Sacramento County Department of Water Resources, and Scott Shapiro of Downey Brand serving as the moderator. The event was well-attended with good questions from legislative staff generating a good discussion about the importance of reliable funding needed to reduce the probability of levee failures and the State's associated liability. The Association's Executive Director, Melinda Terry, also participated in the Delta Protection Commission's Flood Safety Fair at the Delta Farmer's Market on Saturday.

CVFPB Approves Proposed Funding Amounts for Delta Subvention Program Projects

At their October 23rd meeting, the Central Valley Flood Protection Board approved the <u>2015-16 Funding Plan</u> setting the maximum reimbursement and allocation, including the allowable advance amount districts can request, based on the applications from Delta reclamation districts and the \$12 million in anticipated funding from the State. Subventions Program funding source is Proposition 1E and is used to support the maintenance and rehabilitation of over 700 miles of project and non-project levees in the Delta. The Board's vote also authorized DWR to proceed with preparation and circulation of the work agreements with Delta reclamation districts.

Straying and Stranding of Migrating Fish Prevented with RD 108's Project Leadership

Nearly 50 people showed up last week at Reclamation District 108's Knights Landing Outfall Gates built a century ago across the Colusa Drain to <u>celebrate some good news for fish</u> migrating in the Sacramento River. Through RD 108's financial commitment and leadership at the local level and additional funding from state and federal partners, the installation of concrete walls and a metal picket weir to block adult salmon from leaving the Sacramento River and becoming trapped in the Colusa Drain is nearing completion in record time. Amazingly, the project only took about eight months from conception in March 2015 to its official completion date of November 30, 2015.

In addition to this fish improvement project, RD 108, a 145-year-old reclamation district that maintain levees, delivers water, and provides drainage to 75 square miles of farmland in Colusa and Yolo counties is also partnering with fishery agencies to block passage into the Knights Landing Ridge Cut Canal, and modify agricultural culverts and road crossings to benefit successful fish migration.

California Water Policy Coming to Davis in 2016

In the spring of 2016, leaders from agricultural, urban water and environmental organizations will be convening in Davis for the 25th California Water Policy conference to discuss current policy issues impacting California's water. For more information, email info@CAwaterpolicy.org or call (858) 272-6804.

IN THE NEWS

(Clicking the links will take you to news organization websites, where you can read the full stories. CCVFCA is not responsible for content on these external sites.)

RD 108 Celebrates Completion of Fish Migration Improvement Project at Knights Landing

- Knights Landing Outfall Gates kick off keeping salmon safe Daily Democrat
- News Worth Noting: Project to protect Sacramento River salmon nearly complete; Bryon Bethany Irrigation....-Maven's Notebook

North State Residents and Elected Officials Advocate for Sites Reservoir Construction

- North State residents, lawmakers make case for Sites reservoir Action News Now
- Plenty of Sites support at Water Commission meeting appealdemocrat.com

Flood Preparedness Curriculum Introduced in West Sacramento Schools

http://www.capradio.org/articles/2015/10/19/government-goes-to-schoolkids-with-message-of-flood-protection/

Public Hearing on California's Climate Change Plan

 <u>http://www.independentnews.com/environment/hearing-will-seek-comments-on-state-climate-change-plan/</u> article_e959447a-7844-11e5-b8db-3fa517a80dd4.html

CEQA Hindering Storm Preparedness Activities?

<u>http://www.sandiegouniontribune.com/news/2015/oct/21/california-flooding-CEQA/</u>

El Nino Stories

- http://www.willitsnews.com/article/NR/20151022/NEWS/151029983
- <u>http://www.npr.org/2015/10/19/450030347/drought-stricken-california-prepares-for-strong-el-ni-o-winter</u>
- <u>http://www.lexisnexis.com/communities/state-net/b/capitol-journal/archive/2015/10/16/california-update-here-comes-el-nino.aspx</u>
- http://phys.org/news/2015-10-el-nino-california-wont-drought.html
- <u>http://www.capradio.org/articles/2015/10/19/dont-count-on-el-nino-for-sierra-snowpack</u>
- https://www.noozhawk.com/article/lou_cannon_california_el_nino_preparation_forecasts_20151019
- http://www.kfbk.com/articles/kfbk-news-461777/state-urges-residents-to-be-prepared-14048015
- http://abc7.com/weather/officials-warn-residents-to-prepare-for-el-nino/1041400/
- http://www.nature.com/news/hunting-the-godzilla-el-ni%C3%B1o-1.18591
- http://phys.org/news/2015-10-california-frequent-severe-droughts.html
- <u>http://www.business-standard.com/article/international/el-ni%C3%B1o-is-back-and-in-a-big-way-115102200926_1.html</u>
- <u>http://www.nbclosangeles.com/news/local/Safety-Preparedness-Tips-As-El-Nino-Approaches-334852951.html</u>
- http://fox40.com/2015/10/20/preparing-for-floods-in-california/
- http://abc30.com/weather/el-nino-preparations-underway/1042977/

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