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CCVFCA'S Flood Flash

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CALENDAR ALERTS

July 19

SWRCB [public hearing](#) on discharge of dredge or fill material, 1001-I St., Sacramento.

July 21

CVFPB [Exec. Comm. mtg](#), 3310 El Camino Ave., Rm 130, 1:30-5:00 pm.

July 21

Delta Protection Commission Public Meeting, 5:30pm, Jean Harvie Community Center, Walnut Grove.

July 21

CANCELLED CVFPB [Advisory Committee mtg](#), Conservation Strategy, 3310 El Camino Ave., Rm 130, Sacramento,

July 22

CVFPB [public mtg](#), 915-I St., 2nd Floor Hearing Rm, Sacramento, 9:00 am-5:00 pm.

July 22

USACE [Regulatory Program workshop](#), 1325 J St., Rm 814, 1:30-4:00 pm, **RSVP by July 15th**.

July 28-29

DSC public mtg, 980-9th St., 2nd Floor, Sacramento, 9:00 am-4:00 pm.

Aug. 1

[Deadline](#) to comment on USACE Nationwide Permits.

Sept. 6

[FMA Annual Conference](#) & Extreme Precipitation Symposium, Sacramento Hyatt Regency Hotel.

Sept. 6-9

Floodplain Management Association [Annual Conference](#), Sacramento Hyatt

****Sept. 19**

USACE [deadline](#) to submit annual WRDA projects.

Oct. 3

Deadline to submit Prop. 1 [Urban Rivers Grant](#) applications

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KEEPING UP

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Grand Jury Supports Improved Delta Levee Funding and Flood Risk Awareness

In recognition of how important levees are to protecting life, property, water quality, and critical infrastructure in Contra Costa County, a [Grand Jury issued a report](#) with recommendations to ensure the County's Delta levees continue to successfully perform their public safety function.

The report focuses on three areas: 1) mechanisms for financing levee maintenance and improvements; 2) educating the general public of flood risks; and 3) sharing of emergency response resources and levee maintenance knowledge among reclamation districts.

Noting that there is no "school for levee maintenance" or any other training program to guide new levee superintendents that take over management of island levees, the report acknowledges providing flood protection in the Delta is further complicated by limited district budgets and higher costs associated with constantly changing standards and multi-objective requirements for receiving state funding. In addition, higher engineered standards are often beyond the capacity of many smaller Delta reclamation districts, because they lack the financial resources to perform more than basic levee maintenance work.

Overall the report recognizes the importance of maintaining levee integrity and encourages specific actions for the county to pursue in cooperation with its flood protection partners in order to improve financial support, multi-agency coordination, and public education. The report [requires responses from 19 local agencies](#), including the board of trustees for reclamation districts in the county, the Oakley City Council, and the County Board of Supervisors.

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.)

- [Flood fears complicate VA clinic construction](#) - Recordnet.com
- [Grand Jury: Contra Costa levees require more care](#) - East Bay Times

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