REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, SACRAMENTO DISTRICT 1325 J STREET **SACRAMENTO CA 95814-2922**

Environmental Resources Branch

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TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Enclosed for your information is a copy of the final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Southport Early Implementation Project (EIP), which was prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). The West Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency (WSAFCA) is proposing the Southport EIP and is requesting permission from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) pursuant to Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (Title 33 of the United States Code [USC], Section 408 [33 USC 408]) referred to as Section 408, for the alteration of the Federal flood management project. WSAFCA is also seeking a permit under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act for regulation of dredged or fill material in jurisdictional waters of the United States, and under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 for regulation of navigable waters.

The overall purpose of the project is to implement flood risk-reduction measures along 5.6 miles of the Sacramento River South Levee in the city of West Sacramento, Yolo County, California. The project would bring the levee up to standard with the Federal and state- flood risk reduction criteria, as well as provide opportunities for ecosystem restoration and public recreation.

The final EIS is being filed with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and is being made available to interested parties pursuant to regulations of the President's Council on Environmental Quality for implementing NEPA (40 CFR 1500-1508). Any comments you may have on the final EIS should be directed to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Sacramento District, ATTN: Ms. Tanis Toland, Environmental Resources Branch (CESPK-PD-R), 1325 J Street, Sacramento, California 95814. Ms. Toland may also be reached at (916) 557-6717 (phone), 557-7856 (fax), or email: Tanis.J.Toland@usace.army.mil. The official closing date for the receipt of comments is July 5, 2015, which is 30 days from the date on which the notice of availability of the final EIS appears in the Federal Register.

Sincerely,

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Chief, Planning Division

Enclosure