



Public Notice

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

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Subject: Public Notice of Decision to Accept and Expend Funds

Action IDs: SPK-2011-00482

SUBJECT: The purpose of this Public Notice is to inform the general public that the District Commander of the Sacramento District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (“Corps”) has decided to accept and expend funds contributed by the Butte County Area Governments under Section 214 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2000 for priority evaluation of their Department of the Army permit applications and processes, subject to the limitations specified below.

A series of procedural safeguards has been adopted to ensure that use of the funds will not impact impartial decision-making. These include:

- a. All final permit decisions where these funds are used must be reviewed at least by one level above the decision maker, unless the decision maker is the District Commander. For example, if the decision maker is the California North Branch Chief, then the reviewer would be the Regulatory Division Chief.
- b. All final permit decisions where these funds are used will be made available on the Sacramento District website.
- c. The Corps will not eliminate any procedures or decisions that would otherwise be required for that type of project and permit application under consideration.
- d. The Corps will comply with all applicable laws and regulations.
- e. Funds will only be expended to provide priority review of the participating non-federal entity’s permit applications and processes.

Information concerning WRDA, including documents referenced in this notice, may be found on our Sacramento District website. If you have any questions or need additional information please contact Michael Nepstad, 650 Capitol Mall, Suite 5-200, Sacramento, California 95814-4708. Alternatively, comments can be sent electronically to Michael.g.nepstad@usace.army.mil

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