



Notice of Availability of Draft Supplemental EA/EIR for American River Watershed Common Features, Water Resources Development Act of 2016, Sacramento River East Levee Contract 2 (Project)

Project Location: The Project is located in the City of Sacramento, California along the left bank (when facing downstream) of the Sacramento River, immediately to the north and south of the Pioneer Bridge on US Highway 50 and from the southern end of Little Pocket Neighborhood through the northern end of Pocket Neighborhood.

Project Description: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB) propose to construct approximately 9,540 cumulative feet of levee improvements along the Sacramento River by installing a series of cutoff walls. Most of the levee improvements included in the Project were analyzed in the American River Watershed Common Features General Reevaluation Report (ARCF GRR) Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR). This Supplemental Environmental Assessment/EIR (EA/EIR) addresses project modifications and refinements since publication of the ARCF GRR EIS/EIR.

Following the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), a Supplemental EA/EIR has been prepared for this project. The results of the Draft Supplemental EA/EIR indicate that most of the potential adverse effects that could result from implementation of the proposed project would either be short term or would be avoided or reduced to less than significant by using avoidance, minimization, and mitigation measures. However, analysis indicates potential significant and unavoidable effects to cultural resources, visual resources, vegetation and wildlife, recreation, and traffic and circulation.

The Draft Supplemental EA/EIR also provides the opportunity for public and agency involvement and comment. During the 45-day public review period, a virtual public meeting will be held to discuss the proposed project and accept public questions and comments. The public meeting will be held on July 22, 2020 at 4:00 P.M. Instructions to access the virtual meeting through the internet, sign up to receive email updates, and obtain a copy of the draft document can be accessed electronically at the following link:

www.sacleveeupgrades.com

Comments on the Draft Supplemental EA/EIR will be accepted from July 8, 2020 to August 22, 2020. Written comments may be submitted by mail or e-mail to:

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Copies of the Draft Supplemental EA/EIR can be made available upon request.