



Media Advisory

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West Sacramento Breaks Ground on its Largest Levee Project

West Sacramento, Calif. – Congresswoman Doris Matsui, West Sacramento’s Mayor Christopher Cabaldon and federal and state flood protection partners, will break ground on the Southport Levee Improvement Project Tuesday, May 9 at 12 p.m.

The Southport Levee Improvement Project is West Sacramento’s largest levee project to date. It will improve nearly six miles of vulnerable levee along the west bank of the Sacramento River in Southport. The Southport project is one of four levee projects that brings West Sacramento’s levees up to the state-mandated 200-year level of flood protection.

West Sacramento has been authorized for \$1.2 billion in federal funding for flood protection projects as part of the 2016 WIIN (Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation) Act.

WHAT: Southport Levee Improvement Project Groundbreaking

WHEN: Tuesday, May 9
Media check-in and lunch: 12 p.m.
Groundbreaking: 12:30 p.m.

WHERE: Intersection of Davis & South River Roads, West Sacramento, CA

VISUALS/INTERVIEWS:

- Project partners kicking off construction for largest levee project during California’s wettest year on record
- Fireboat 41 on river behind levee with water salutes
- 1:1 interviews with Congresswoman Matsui, Mayor Cabaldon and project partners
- Lunch provided by Lenise’s Café
- Construction equipment beginning levee improvements

About

[West Sac Flood Protect](#) diligently works to improve 52 miles of levees that protect West Sacramento. Created in 1994, West Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency coordinates and constructs major flood risk reduction projects and spearheads West Sacramento-area flood risk reduction efforts.

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