

# **FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has received a subgrant application for the California Department of Water Resources, Alameda County, CA. Pursuant to Executive Order (EO) 11988 and 44 CFR Part 9.12, final notice is hereby given of FEMA's intent to provide funding for this project under the Public Assistance Grant Program (PA).

An initial disaster-wide Public Notice for DR-4683-CA was published on September 11, 2023. Funding for the proposed project will be conditional upon compliance with all applicable federal, tribal, state and local laws, regulations, floodplain standards, permit requirements and conditions.

Under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), federal actions must be reviewed and evaluated for feasible alternatives and for social, economic, historic, environmental, legal, and safety considerations. EO 11988 and EO 11990 requires FEMA to consider alternatives and provide a public notice of any proposed actions in or affecting floodplains or wetlands. EO 12898 requires FEMA to provide the opportunity for public participation in the planning process and to consider potential impacts to minority and low-income populations. This notice may also fulfill requirements under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).

This notice serves as a project-specific final notice for FEMA's funding action located within a Special Flood Hazard Area. FEMA has determined the only practicable alternative is to fund the repair of a damaged spillway catwalk in-kind. This action complies with the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requirements. There is a potential for the structure to be impacted by future flooding events due to its location within the Flood Zone D The proposed work will take place in wetlands per the United States Fish and Wildlife Service National Wetlands Inventory and will have little potential to impact or affect wetland values.

**Applicant: California Department of Water Resources**

**Project Title: PW 02139; GM PN 722309; SWP-DFD-Del Valle Lake Facilities Damages**

**Location of Proposed Work and Floodplain Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) Panels:**

<b>Facility</b>	<b>GPS</b>	<b>FIRM Panels</b>	<b>FIRM Date</b>
Dam Spillway Catwalk	37.61773, -121.74667	06001C0505G	8/3/2009

**Proposed Work and Purpose:** At the spillway catwalk, high velocity spillway waters ripped away the entire catwalk assembly grate, structural subframe, and handrail. The grate spanned 210 square feet of galvanized grate, measuring 70 feet long by 3 feet wide, and was replaced in-kind. The structural subframe was made up of one galvanized steel frame and measured 70 feet long by 3 feet wide and was also replaced in-kind. The handrail was made of 1.5-inch structural galvanized steel that also measured 70 feet long by 3 feet wide and was also replaced in-kind.

**Project Alternatives:**

- (1) *(No Action)* This alternative would result in a continued disruption of services. If the damage is not repaired, then adverse economic and social impacts may occur and continued negative impacts may be experienced.
- (2) *(Repair with Minimization)* Minimization measures were not practicable due to no cost-effective alternatives being available for the project site.
- (3) *(Relocation)* Floodplain avoidance by relocating the structure is not a practicable alternative as it is functionally dependent.

**Comments:** This will serve as the final public notice regarding the above-described action funded by the FEMA Public Assistance program. Interested persons may submit comments, questions, or request a map of this specific project by writing to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region 9, 1111 Broadway #1200, Oakland, CA 94607, or by emailing [FEMA-RIX-EHP-Documents@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-RIX-EHP-Documents@fema.dhs.gov) . Comments should be sent in writing with the subject line “*SWP-DFD-Del Valle Lake Facilities Damages*” at the above address within 15 days of the date of this notice.

**THIS NOTICE MAY BE REMOVED FROM PUBLIC VIEW ON THE 15<sup>th</sup> DAY FROM ORIGINAL DATE OF POSTING.**

**NOTICE WAS POSTED ON \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2025**

**\*\*\*END OF NOTICE\*\*\***