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Sent via certified mail

Subject: Invitation to Tribal Informational Meeting #3 for the 2022 Central Valley Flood Protection Plan Update

Dear [Title] [Last Name],

This letter serves as an invitation to the [Tribe] (Tribe) for an informational meeting with the Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB) on the 2022 Central Valley Flood Protection Plan (CVFPP) Update. The CVFPP is the document used to guide state investments and support federal, state, and local participation in managing flood risk along the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River systems. The CVFPP proposes a State Systemwide Investment Approach for sustainable, integrated flood management within areas protected by the State Plan of Flood Control (SPFC) (see Attachment 1).

Pursuant to the Central Valley Flood Protection Act of 2008 (CVFPA), DWR prepares the CVFPP and updates it every five years. DWR is the CEQA lead agency for the CVFPP. Under the CVFPA, the CVFPB adopts the CVFPP, and adopts the associated CEQA documents as a responsible agency. The 2022 Update is the second update to the CVFPP.

The Working Draft of the 2022 CVFPP Update will soon be available for review. DWR will present the release of the Working Draft at the **September 24, 2021** CVFPB meeting at 9:00 am. Your Tribe is welcome to attend this meeting virtually via <http://cvfpb.ca.gov/meetings/>. Your Tribe will also receive the Working Draft via email. Please let us know if your Tribe would prefer a hardcopy of the report. The review period for the Working Draft will close on **October 29, 2021**.

There are several supporting documents to the CVFPP that may be of interest to your Tribe and facilitate your review, such as the Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR), Conservation Strategy, and Flood System Status Report. These documents are available online at <https://water.ca.gov/Programs/Flood-Management/Flood-Planning-and-Studies/> or upon request. The supporting documents are also being updated concurrently for the 2022 Update and the revised versions will be available at a later date.

DWR and CVFPB are hosting a virtual informational meeting on the 2022 CVFPP Update Working Draft on **October 4, 2021** from **2:00pm to 4:00pm**. The meeting is intended as a “walk-through review”, and a familiarity with the Working Draft prior to the meeting is encouraged. The meeting will provide a venue for Tribal members to obtain information, ask questions, and provide input. A Save the Date flyer has been included with this letter (Attachment 2). An email reminder will also be sent to your Tribe a week

in advance of the meeting with the registration link.

All Tribes, consulting or non-consulting, have previously been informed that they will receive the Working Draft prior to public release, and we invite you to comment. Your engagement on this early draft aids us in creating the best Plan for the Central Valley and its stakeholders. Once comments are compiled, DWR will produce the Public Draft, which is expected to be available for review in early 2022.

If you have any questions or need additional information, you may contact Anecita Agustinez at (916) 653-8726 or by email at tribalpolicyadvisor@water.ca.gov. You may also contact Lori Price, Senior Environmental Scientist, directly at (916) 820-8176 or by email at Lori.Price@water.ca.gov.

Respectfully,



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Steve Rothert, DWR
Leslie Gallagher, CVFPB

Attachments:

1. Map of CVFPP geographic study area
2. "Save the Date" flyer for October 4, 2021 informational meeting