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SCH #: _____

Project Title: American River Watershed Common Features, WRDA 2016 Project, Sacramento Weir Widening

Lead Agency: Central Valley Flood Protection Board

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Project Location: Sacramento (*City*) Sacramento (*County*)

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The American River Watershed Common Features, Water Resources Development Act of 2016 Project, Sacramento Weir Widening includes constructing a 1,500-foot-long passive weir, with associated levee, roadway, rail, and fish passage improvements. The purpose of the Project is to lower flood stage in the Sacramento River below the weir during high-flow events to support the broader purpose of reducing flood risk to the urban area associated with the Sacramento River. Many of the improvements that are part of the Project were analyzed in the American River Common Features General Reevaluation Report (ARCF GRR) Final Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) (SCH # 2005072046). This Supplemental EIS/EIR is needed because some elements of the Project (passive weir design and fish passage structure) were not analyzed in the ARCF GRR Final EIS/EIR because design had not yet been sufficiently developed to accurately assess its potential environmental impacts.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

Many aspects of the Project were analyzed in the ARCF GRR Final EIS/EIR. The effects analyzed in this draft Supplemental EIS/EIR are those resulting from project modifications and refinements since publication of the ARCF GRR Final EIS/EIR.

The analysis in the draft Supplemental EIS/EIR identifies significant or potentially significant effects to Geologic Resources, Land Use, Hydrology and Hydraulics, Water Quality and Groundwater Resources, Vegetation and Wildlife, Fisheries, Special Status Species, Cultural Resources, Transportation and Circulation, Air Quality, Climate Change, Noise, Recreation, Visual Resources, Public Utilities, and Hazardous Wastes and Materials.

The draft Supplemental EIS/EIR proposes avoidance, minimization, and mitigation measures to reduce most of these effects to a less than significant level. However, the analysis concludes that the Project would result in significant and unavoidable effects to Land Use, Vegetation and Wildlife, Transportation and Circulation, Recreation, and Visual Resources. For a full description of potential environmental effects and mitigation measures, please see the Executive Summary from the draft Supplemental EIS/EIR that was prepared pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15123.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

The ARCF GRR Final EIS/EIR identified several areas of controversy based on the comments received during the public scoping period and the history of the NEPA and CEQA processes undertaken by U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Central Valley Flood Protection Board, and Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency. Several of these areas of controversy are applicable to the Project, including:

- Construction related impacts on biological resources.
- Vegetation and tree removal.
- Effects to cultural resources and resources significant to Native American tribes.
- Effects to recreation facilities.
- Effects to endangered species and their habitat.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

Responsible agencies include:

- California Department of Water Resources
- Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency
- California State Lands Commission
- Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

Trustee Agencies include:

- California Department of Fish and Wildlife