



**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE KNIGHTS LANDING FLOOD MANAGEMENT PROJECT, SACRAMENTO RIVER MID-VALLEY LEVEE RECONSTRUCTION SITES, 9, 10, 11 AND WIDENED PARKING AREA NEAR WILD IRISHMAN BEND**

Yolo County (County) as the Lead Agency pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) has prepared an Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the Knights Landing Flood Management Project, Sacramento River Mid-Valley Levee Reconstruction Sites, 9, 10, 11 and Widened Parking Area Near Wild Irishman Bend Project (Proposed Project). The California Department of Water Resources is a Responsible Agency under CEQA. The County proposes to remediate seepage deficiencies along the Sacramento River right bank levee between levee mile (LM) 2.66 and LM 5.35 near Knights Landing in Yolo County, California.

The purpose of the Proposed Project under the Knights Landing Small Community Flood Risk Reduction Program is to attain a 100-year level of flood protection for the community of Knights Landing and reduce the flood risk to the Knights Landing Basin while sustaining agriculture and the regional economy, providing safe access to the river, and improving the riverine habitat viability. Specifically, the Proposed Project would include constructing slurry cutoff walls in the existing Sacramento River right bank levee at sites 9 and 10 to address through seepage and constructing a combination berm at Site 11 to address stability, under and through seepage.

The Draft IS/MND found that implementation of the Proposed Project may result in potentially significant environmental impacts to: biological resources; cultural resources; geology and soils; noise; and, tribal cultural resources. However, with the implementation of avoidance, minimization, and mitigation measures potentially significant environmental impacts of the Proposed Project would be reduced to less than significant levels as described in the Draft IS/MND.

The Draft IS/MND is being circulated for public review and comment for a 30-day period starting on **December 3, 2021** through **January 4, 2022**. Comments on the Draft IS/MND must be received in writing via email or U.S. mail to the contact listed below by 5:00 PM on January 4, 2022. For e-mailed comments, please include the project title in the subject line and include the commenter's name and U.S. Postal Service mailing address.

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During the 30-day public review period the Draft IS/MND will be available for review on the CEQAnet web portal at: <https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov/> and on the Yolo County Website at: [www.yolonaturalresources.org](http://www.yolonaturalresources.org).

Sincerely,

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