



**Sacramento  
Area Flood  
Control  
Agency**

Date: September 11, 2023  
To: Responsible and Trustee Agencies and the Public  
From: Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency  
Subject: Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Corporation Yard Project

Enclosed for your review is an Initial Study and proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) evaluating the potential environmental effects of the proposed Corporation Yard Project (proposed project), which is located in the Lower Elkhorn Basin approximately 1 mile north of West Sacramento in Yolo County, within the Sacramento West U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) 7.5-minute quadrangle. The Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency (SAFCA), as lead agency for the proposed project, has prepared this IS/MND in accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the State CEQA Guidelines.

SAFCA proposes to provide a benefit to the flood control system by constructing a Corporation Yard to be used by Reclamation District (RD) 537 in the operation and maintenance of its levee system. The proposed project includes construction of a 6,000 square foot Corporation Yard building on top of the existing Corrective Action Management Unit (CAMU) near the closed Old Bryte Landfill in Yolo County, as well as site improvements to help manage the capture and conveyance of storm water collected at the project site. The project site is owned by SAFCA, which is responsible for the protection and management of the CAMU, and would be leased to RD 537. The Corporation Yard building would be used to house RD 537 equipment and office space for levee and drainage maintenance activities. Project site improvements include construction of an access ramp, concrete curb around the top deck (term used for the flat top area of the CAMU) of the project site, drop inlets and down chutes to help with stormwater conveyance, and excavation throughout the existing drainage channel to help with the conveyance of additional stormwater runoff into the basin's drainage system. SAFCA would install a culvert along the new access ramp to facilitate stormwater conveyance to the basin's interior drainage system and would construct a land bridge at the southwest corner of the project site to connect the project site top deck to the existing RD 537 levee. In addition, the proposed project would install an aboveground water tank for fire suppression and a new groundwater well to supply water for municipal uses and fire suppression. The proposed project would be designed consistent with California Code of Regulations (CCR) Title 27 and Title 22, Section 66264.552, and the California Department of Toxic Substances Control's *Proven Technologies and Remedies Guidance for Remediation of Metals in Soil* to maintain the CAMU to prevent the release of the encapsulated waste and protect human health and the environment. The IS/MND identifies potentially significant impacts related to the proposed project. All potentially significant impacts are reduced to less-than-significant levels with implementation of mitigation measures identified in the Initial Study.

**The IS/MND is being circulated for public review and comment for a 30-day period beginning on September 11, 2023 and ending on October 10, 2023.** The IS/MND may be reviewed at SAFCA's Web site, [www.safca.org/Protection/Environmental\\_Public\\_Review.html](http://www.safca.org/Protection/Environmental_Public_Review.html) or at its office at 1325 J Street, Suite 1700, Sacramento, CA 95814. The document is also available for review at the Arthur F. Turner Community Library, 1212 Merkley Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691.

Please send written comments on the IS/MND to Dan Tibbitts, Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency, 1325 J Street, Suite 1700, Sacramento, CA 95814, or by fax to (916) 874-8289. Comments may also be sent via e-mail to [SAFCAReview@saccounty.gov](mailto:SAFCAReview@saccounty.gov). For e-mailed comments, please include the project title in the subject line, attach comments in MS Word format, and include the commenter's name and U.S. Postal Service mailing address. All comments must be received by SAFCA by 5 p.m. on October 10, 2023.

The SAFCA Board of Directors intends to consider adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration at its regularly scheduled board meeting on October 19, 2023 at 3:00 p.m., to be held at the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors' Chambers located at 700 H Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. This meeting will be open to the public.