



# Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District

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## **Notice of Availability of Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report Napa River/Napa Creek Flood Protection Project – Increment 2, Floodwalls North of the Bypass, Napa, Ca**

**Purpose of the Notice:** The Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (District) as the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), is circulating for public review and comment a Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (Draft SEIR) for the Napa River/Napa Creek Flood Protection Project – Increment 2, Floodwalls North of the Bypass in Napa, California (Proposed Project). This Draft SEIR is a subsequent analysis to the Napa River/Napa Creek Flood Protection Project Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report, dated March 1999 (1999 Final SEIS/EIR). The purpose of this notice is to inform interested persons, Tribes, groups, and agencies on the District's Proposed Project and action under CEQA and to solicit comments on the Draft SEIR.

**Project Background and Description:** The Napa River/Napa Creek Flood Protection Project was authorized for construction by Section 204 of the Flood Control Act of 1965 for the purposes of flood control and recreation substantially in accordance with the 1965 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Chief of Engineers Report for the Napa River Basin and modified by Section 136 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1976 (USACE Authorized Project). Designs for the USACE Authorized Project were further refined in the Supplemental General Design Memorandum, dated October 1998, and the 1999 Final SEIS/EIR, approved by the USACE Deputy Director of Civil Works on May 24, 1999. For the purposes of this Draft SEIR, the District, in coordination and approval with the USACE, proposes to construct one of the two remaining federally justified increments of the USACE Authorized Project – Increment 2, Floodwalls North of the Bypass. Specifically, the District is proposing to construct 100-year level flood protection measures on the west bank of the Napa River and under the Lincoln Avenue Bridge. The Increment 2, North of the Bypass, flood protection measures consist of four elements: floodwalls south of Lincoln Avenue, floodwalls north of Lincoln Avenue, scour protection under the Lincoln Avenue bridge, and two short floodwall closures at the dry bypass. Accordingly, the District has prepared this Draft SEIR in support of proposed scope/design changes and additions in the Increment 2 Proposed Project Area, as well as the changed regulatory conditions that have transpired since the 1999 Final SEIS/EIR was completed.

**Environmental Impacts:** The results of the analysis presented in the Draft SEIR indicate that potential impacts from implementation of the Proposed Project would either be temporary, would be avoided, or would be reduced to less than significant levels through implementation of best management practices and/or mitigation measures. The 1999 Final SEIS/EIR concluded that significant and unavoidable impacts to cultural resources and noise and vibration would occur in the Proposed Project Area and these impacts remain in Increment 2. The Proposed Project would also result in significant and unavoidable impacts to tribal cultural resources as defined by Public Resources Code Section 21080.3.1. The Proposed Project is not located on or near a property included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.

**Availability of the Draft SEIR:** The Draft SEIR will be accessible for review at the District office located at: 804 First Street, Napa, Ca 94559 and online at: <https://www.countyofnapa.org/1083/>

**Public Review Period:** The Draft SEIR will be available for a 45-day public review from Friday January 24, 2025 to Monday March 10, 2025. Please submit written comments on the Draft SEIR by 5p.m. PST Monday, March 10, 2025 via email at [flooddistrict@countyofnapa.org](mailto:flooddistrict@countyofnapa.org). The District invites submission of comments on the environmental impacts of the Proposed Project. Comments will be considered in determining whether it would be in the best public interest to proceed with the Proposed Project.