

# SOLANO COUNTY WATER AGENCY



## FLOOD CONTROL ADVISORY COMMITTEE Meeting Announcement

**DATE:** Thursday, June 26, 2008

**TIME:** 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Note earlier start time due to Bus Trip

**PLACE:** Solano Irrigation District Board of Directors Room  
508 Elmira Road  
Vacaville, CA

**FCAC members – please RSVP to Mandi Hanrahan at 455-1100 or [mhanrahan@scwa2.com](mailto:mhanrahan@scwa2.com). She will inform you of sandwich options for box dinner.**

**Note: The Flood Control Advisory Committee will be taking a guided bus tour of various flood control projects in the east County. No business will be conducted on this tour. The public can attend the tour as space is available on the bus - please contact Mandi Hanrahan at 455-1100 to reserve a space. The Flood Control Advisory Committee will be provided box dinners - the public can bring their own food on the bus. Bus trip will start and end at SID.**

### AGENDA

Anticipated projects to be viewed:

1. Dixon Flood Control Detention Basins
2. Improved Lateral 1 Drain
3. Proposed New South Channel Project
4. Delta Levees

2008 FCAC Meetings 7:00 PM at SID

July 24

August 28

September 25

October 23

December 4

If you have any questions contact Alex Ravidoux at (707) 455-1106

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### FIELD TRIP NOTES: June 26, 2008

**East Solano County Flood Control Field Trip:** John Curry from the Dixon RCD began conducting the east Solano County flood control field trip. John Curry gave a brief overview of how the Dixon Watershed Joint Powers Authority (JPA) was formed between the Dixon RCD, City of Dixon, Maine Prairie Water District, and Reclamation District 2068. The JPA was formed after the 1997 flood event with the goal of improving flood control within the greater Dixon area. The JPA currently oversees several drainage ditches and detention ponds within the city limits of Dixon, as well as to the south and east of Dixon. During the first part of the tour John pointed out several of the drainage channels located to the east of Dixon that the JPA maintains. John also pointed out Pond C as well as the JPA's new piped drainage channel near the Dixon High School. The first stop of the tour was at Pond A, a large detention pond that was completed several years ago by the JPA. Historically Pond A was constructed by the City of Dixon as a retention pond. Unfortunately the pond was plagued with a host of operational problems and limited flood control capacity. As a cooperative effort, the JPA worked with the City of Dixon to convert Pond A from a retention pond to a detention pond and improve operations. The Pond A project also helped to formalize the relationship with the Dixon RCD and the City of Dixon as part of the new JPA. To date the Pond A project has been a success and has helped improved flood control as well as provide an open space and wildlife area for the greater Dixon area. As part of the Pond A project, automated gates and stage recorders were setup to regulate flow out of the pond and into the Ulatis Flood Control Project. John pointed out several of the automated gates along Lateral 1, the downstream channel of Pond A.

For the next part of the tour, the group was taken to Reclamation District 2068 adjacent to the Yolo Bypass and Shag Slough. The tour focused on Delta levees and was presented by Mike Hardesty the Manager of Reclamation District 2068. Mike first discussed that during flood events the Yolo Bypass transfers 85% of the flow from the Sacramento River while the main stem of the river handles only about 15%. Additionally federal levees along the Yolo Bypass are considerably more substantial than most of the levees in the central Delta. During the last few flood events, the north-eastern levees of RD 2068 have seen considerable scour damaged from high velocity flood water. Mike also discussed some of the restoration efforts being done by the Trust for Public Lands, Westlands Water District, and Wildlands to create and enhance tidal wetlands in the Yolo Bypass – Liberty Island area.

For the last part of the tour, David Okita briefly pointed out the Ulatis Flood Control Project. The Ulatis Project drains all of the City of Vacaville as well as the greater

Vacaville area. The Allendale area and part of Dixon also drain into the Ulatis Project, which drains into the Delta.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting of the Flood Control Advisory Committee will be Thursday, July 24, 2008 at 7:00 pm at the Solano Irrigation District.

**Committee Members Attending:**

Rolf Ohlemutz	Terry Riddle
Jim Daniels	Steve Chappell
Mike O'Conner	Charles Karnopp
Mark Holdener	Ron Campbell

**Committee Members Absent:**

Paul Lum	Gus Silva
Laura Peters	Delbert Berg

**SCWA Staff:**

David Okita	Alex Rabidoux
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## FLOOD CONTROL – FY 2007/2008 SMALL GRANT PROJECTS

April 24, 2008

NAME	LOCATION	WATERSHED	TOTAL PROJECT COST			PAID OUT (SCWA)	STATUS
			Owner Cost-Share	SCWA Cost-Share	Total		
Louise Fong	Spurs Trail Fairfield, CA	Jameson Can. Ck.	\$7,925	\$23,775	\$31,700	\$0	<b>PENDING:</b> Design phase completed, owner is determining if they want to proceed on const. phase of the project.
Dennis Forfang	7717 West Ranch Rd. Vacaville, CA	Sweeney Ck.	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$0	<b>PENDING:</b> Site visit conducted, landowner needs to submit application. Landowner is unsure if all the owners will cost share.
Dan Speck	7484 Paddon Road Vacaville, CA	Gibson Canyon Ck.	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$0	<b>PENDING:</b> The application was approved by SCWA. The Agency is waiting on a Scope of Work and Cost Estimate from the owner.
Charles Pearce	4582 & 4586 Campos Lane Winters, CA	McCune Ck.	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$0	<b>PENDING:</b> The landowner is working with the Solano RCD on Phase 1 of this project to vegetate existing drainage ponds. During Phase 2 of the project, the landowner will be installing outlet structures and creating a new detention pond which can qualify for small grant funding.
Paul Lum	7690 Timm Rd Vacaville, CA	Sweeney Ck.	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$0	<b>DECLINED:</b> The irrigation tail water change project was declined because the resulting flood control benefit was not justifiable. The detention pond project along Sweeney Creek is applicable if the landowner decides to pursue the project.
Tom Brennon	4595 Beck Lane Vacaville, CA	Gibson Canyon Ck.	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$0	<b>POSTPONED:</b> The landowners were not willing to put up the cost-share amount at this time. There could be interest next year.

**Totals:            \$0                    \$0                    \$0                    \$0**

**Amount Remaining in Small Grant Budget:    \$75,000**