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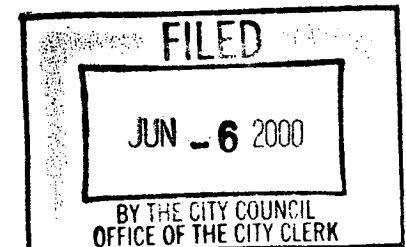
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City Council
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:



SUBJECT: UPDATE ON FEDERAL FLOOD CONTROL LEGISLATION

LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT: City-wide

RECOMMENDATION:

This report is for informational purposes only.

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FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF: June 6, 2000

SUMMARY:

John Freshman Associates, Inc., is the City of Sacramento's legislative consultants in Washington, D.C. Representatives of the firm are here today to brief the Council on the FY 2001 Federal Appropriations process and the potential for a Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) in FY 2000.

Since the 106th Congress has not approved the FY 2001 appropriations budget, it is important that the City legislative consultants, John Freshman and Larry Kast, update the City Council on the Administration's budget and the Congressional appropriations process. They will also discuss key committee leadership playing a role in deciding Sacramento's flood control project funding for next year. The City of Sacramento needs Federal appropriation legislation in FY 2001 in order to continue implementing critical flood control projects protecting the City, our 375,000 residents, and \$30 billion in damageable property.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTION:

None

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

John Freshman and Associates, Inc., has represented the City of Sacramento's interest in Washington, D.C. for the past several years to help obtain critical flood control legislation and appropriations. He is actively engaged in obtaining needed funding for Sacramento. Their ability to work with the members of Congress has resulted in incremental improvements to our flood control system.

The President signed the FY 1999 WRDA bill, and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approved a new start for the Folsom Dam modifications and the American River levee improvements for FY 2000. We are fortunate because the President only approved four new starts nationally. We still need a new start from OMB for the South Sacramento Stream Group so construction on that important project can start.

Appropriations Outlook for Fiscal Year 2001

1. Legislative outlook/key factors
2. President's budget
3. SAFCA and the City's appropriation requests
4. New Starts
 - A. Folsom Modifications
 - B. South Sacramento County Streams Project
5. Ongoing Appropriations
 - A. American River Common Elements
 - B. Sacramento River Bank Protection
 - C. Magpie Creek/Section 205
 - D. Continued studies for a comprehensive solution to Sacramento's flood needs
 - E. South Sacramento County Streams Project

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Legislative Update

Authorizing Legislation - WRDA 2000

- F. Legislative outlook/key factors
- G. Possibilities for additional flood protection

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

This report is presented for informational purposes only and does not have any direct financial impact.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION:

This report is presented for informational purposes only and is not subject to environmental review, under the California Environmental Quality Act, as no project or activity is being approved.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

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ESBD CONSIDERATIONS:

ESBD considerations are not applicable to this item as this report is presented for informational purposes only.

Respectfully submitted,



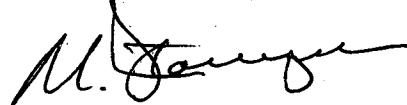
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