

# RESOLUTION NO. 2004-341

ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO

ON DATE: MAY 04 2004

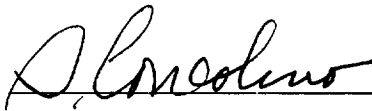
## ADOPTION OF THE SACRAMENTO RIVER CORRIDOR FLOODWAY PLANNING FORUM PLANNING GOALS AND GUIDELINES RESOLUTION

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO THAT:**

1. The Council adopt the Sacramento River Corridor Floodway Planning Forum's Planning Goals and Guidelines Resolution, attached as Exhibit "B"; and
2. The Council direct staff to develop applications for project permits from the California Reclamation Board based on the Riverfront Master Plan Implementation Work Program.

  
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MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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CITY CLERK

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**EXHIBIT "B"**

A JOINT STATEMENT BY

**THE COUNTY OF YOLO, THE COUNTY OF SUTTER, THE COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO, THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO, THE CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO, THE SACRAMENTO AREA FLOOD CONTROL AGENCY, AND THE CALIFORNIA RECLAMATION BOARD**

**ENDORING THE SACRAMENTO RIVER CORRIDOR PLANNING FORUM PLANNING GOALS AND GUIDELINES REPORT**

**WHEREAS**, Yolo County, Sutter County, Sacramento County, City of Sacramento, City of West Sacramento, the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency, and the California Reclamation Board ("the signatories") have jointly approved a memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") to establish the Sacramento River Corridor Planning Forum ("SRCPF") for the purpose of preparing a Floodway Management Plan ("FMP") for the reach of the Sacramento River Corridor ("Corridor") extending from the Fremont Weir to the town of Courtland; and

**WHEREAS**, an initial evaluation of the entire Corridor and development of the FMP exceeded the initial allocation of time and resources; and

**WHEREAS**, as a first step in the process of developing the FMP, the signatories and the other participants in the SRCPF have engaged in a consensus-based planning process focused on the 3-1/2 mile heavily urbanized segment of the Corridor adjacent to the downtown urban areas of Sacramento and West Sacramento between Discovery Park and Miller Park ("Plan Area"), which is the subject of the recently completed Sacramento Riverfront Master Plan ("SRMP"), a vision developed by the cities of Sacramento and West Sacramento for linking the riverfront to the emerging downtown core areas on both sides of the river; and

**WHEREAS**, the objective of the FMP, at a minimum, is to identify goals and policies for sound floodplain management, flood conveyance, erosion control, levee stability, and levee maintenance, including guidelines for riparian habitat, public recreation, and riverfront development; and

**WHEREAS**, a purpose of the Forum included improving communication among signatory agencies, and

**WHEREAS**, through this collaborative planning process, the signatories and the other participants in the SRCPF have prepared a report entitled "Sacramento River Corridor Planning Forum Planning Goals and Guidelines" ("Report") dated October 2003 in order to achieve the following purposes: (1) to identify the physical features of the SRMP that could affect the operation and maintenance of the flood control system in the Plan Area, (2) to facilitate implementation of the identified SRMP features in conformance with sound floodway management principles, (3) to outline a process for completing the FMP for the entire reach of the Corridor covered by the MOU approach that will serve as an informal framework for reviewing major projects outside the SRMP area; and (4) to identify a preliminary coordination methodology for projects in the reach of the Corridor outside the SRMP area pending completion of the FMP; and

**WHEREAS**, the signatories now wish to express their support for the purpose and concepts embodied in the Report;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RECOGNIZED** that the signatories affirm their ongoing support for the multi-agency collaboration of the SRCPF and continued participation in the consensus-based planning process until the goal of completing a comprehensive Floodway Management Plan for the reach of the Sacramento River between the town of Courtland and the Fremont Weir has been achieved.

**BE IT FURTHER RECOGNIZED** that the signatories:

- Believe the Report provides valuable information regarding riverfront development within the Corridor; and
- Believe the Report to be consistent with principles of sound floodway management, which should improve the performance and reliability of the Sacramento River Flood Control Project; and
- Agree that projects within the SRCPF Corridor are subject to other review and approval, including environmental analyses and regulatory approvals as may be required by CEQA, NEPA, etc.

**BE IT FURTHER RECOGNIZED** that the signatories agree:

- For the SRMP reach, this resolution does not constitute a final or binding approval of the SRMP or of any individual projects, guidelines or elements; and
- For the reach of the Corridor outside the SRMP reach, this resolution does not constitute initiating a project and does not trigger provisions of CEQA or other regulatory statutes; and
- For the SRMP reach, the Cities of Sacramento and West Sacramento and the Reclamation Board intend to further explore the benefits of a Programmatic Permit; and
- In its second year of work, the Forum intends to address any unresolved issues for the SRMP reach concurrently with issues regarding the corridor outside the SRMP area; and
- The guidelines contained in the Report are not to be legally enforceable or intended to implement, interpret, or make specific the law enforced or administered by the Reclamation Board, or to govern the procedures of the Reclamation Board or any other signatory.

#### SIGNATURES

Steering Committee members on behalf of:

Sacramento County

Sutter County

Yolo County

City of Sacramento

City of West Sacramento

California Reclamation Board

Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency