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**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE
FINAL SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
FOR THE YOLO FLYWAY FARMS RESTORATION PROJECT
(ZF# 2014-0016)**

DATE: February 26, 2016
TO: Interested Agencies and Individuals
FROM: Yolo County Planning, Public Works, and Environmental Services Department

The Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (FSEIR) for the above project is now available for review. The County will consider the information in the FSEIR when deliberating on the approval of the project.

The Yolo County Planning Commission is tentatively scheduled to hold a public hearing to receive comments on the proposed project and the FSEIR on **March 10, 2016, at 8:30 a.m.** in the Chambers of the Board of Supervisors, Room 206, at the Erwin Meier Administration Center (625 Court Street, Woodland, CA). The final decision to approve the project will be made following a public hearing at the Board of Supervisors tentatively scheduled for March 22, 2016.

The Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Report can be reviewed and downloaded on the County website at <http://www.yolocounty.org/community-services/planning-public-works/planning-division/current-projects>, and at the public counter of the County Planning Division at 292 West Beamer Street, Woodland, CA 95696. Also posted on the County Web site is the Final Environmental Impact Report for the Lower Yolo Restoration Project, certified in 2013, of which the Flyway Farms project is a portion.

Information about the proposed project is provided below.

The Yolo Flyway Farms Restoration Project is a part of the larger 3,795-acre Lower Yolo Restoration Project proposed by the State and Federal Contractors Water Agency (SFCWA) on behalf of the California Department of Water Resources and the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation. The primary purpose of the Lower Yolo Restoration Project is to restore tidal interaction and associated wetland habitats to enhance and create habitat for special-status fish. A Final

Environmental Impact Report (Final EIR) was prepared and adopted by the water contractors (SFCWA) in 2013. (The Final EIR for the Lower Yolo Restoration Project is available for public review on the County website at <http://www.yolocounty.org/community-services/planning-public-works/planning-division/current-projects>, along with this Supplemental EIR, and at the public counter of the County Planning Division at 292 West Beamer Street, Woodland, CA 95696).

The Final EIR for the Lower Yolo Restoration Project studied environmental issues of the entire 3,795-acre site, including Flyway Farms, and considered Flyway Farms to be a future Phase 2 of the project. The portion of the Lower Yolo Restoration Project that is under the ownership of the SFCWA has not yet begun construction.

Yolo Flyway Farms, owned by the Reynier Fund, LLC of Davis, California consists of approximately 440 acres in the northeastern portion of the Lower Yolo Restoration Project. Because of the interest on the part of the landowner in undertaking restoration activities on the 362 acre Yolo Flyway Farms and the uncertainty of future implementation of Phase 2 of the Lower Yolo Restoration Project, the landowner is pursuing an independent course with Yolo County to proceed with this portion of the larger project.

As a result, Yolo County has prepared the separate Supplemental Environmental Impact Report that addresses the impacts of the Yolo Flyway Farms Restoration Project. In doing so, Yolo County intends to use and modify as needed the Final EIR prepared for the Lower Yolo Restoration Project but tailored specifically to the Yolo Flyway Farms Restoration Project. The Yolo County Planning, Public Works and Environmental Services Department is the lead agency overseeing the preparation of the Supplemental EIR. The project will need the approval of several other State and federal agencies.

Comments and questions regarding the proposed Yolo Flyway Farms Restoration Project may be directed to the project planner at:

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All interested parties are invited to attend the public hearing(s) or send written communications to the Yolo County Planning, Public Works and Environmental Services Department no later than the relevant hearing date.

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b)(2) and other provisions of law, any lawsuit challenging the approval of a project described in this notice shall be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearings before the Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors or described in written correspondence delivered for consideration before the hearings are closed.