



# THREE RIVERS LEVEE IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY

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Kent Zenobia, Chief  
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Re: TRLIA 7<sup>th</sup> Upper Yuba River Levee EIP Quarterly Work Plan (QWP), Dated February 28, 2011 (Contract No. 4600008654)

Dear Mr. Zenobia:

Attached is the TRLIA 7<sup>th</sup> QWP (original and 2 copies) covering the time period April, May, and June 2011.

There are two issues identified in this QWP:

- **Issue 1** – pertains to Project Elements 2, 3, & 4: The construction of the UYLIP project must be completed and then certified by TRLIA to FEMA this calendar year so that Yuba County does not lose FEMA Accreditation of the RD784 levee system. The one remaining hurdle to awarding the UYLIP construction project is Corps processing the 104 Credit request. Unfortunately, the Corps processing of the 104 Credit request has not moved quickly and will soon cause dire impacts on TRLIA, Yuba County, RD784, and residents of South Yuba County.

The problem is that if TRLIA awards the construction contract prior to 104 Credit being processed then the State will forfeit the Credit. TRLIA needs to be able to make the construction contract award in early March (target date is March 1, 2011) in order to begin work by late April/early May. Beginning construction later than early May places severe strain on the construction schedule and later TRLIA certification process that must occur this calendar year to avoid FEMA Accreditation breakage.

It is critical that TRLIA stays on schedule and complete the UYLIP project and the following certification process this year.

Recommended Solution: DWR and TRLIA immediately engage the Corps on the 104 Credit request and seek to have them commit to a February 28, 2011 completion date. If the Corps does not agree to this commitment or fails to make this date; then the State waive the need for the 104 Credit for this project, so that TRLIA can award the UYLIP contract in early March 2011.

- **Issue 2:** With the majority (if not all) the construction work (Element 4) being moved to 2011; the work will go beyond the EIP funding agreement completion date (September 30, 2011).

Recommended Solution: DWR extend the EIP agreement final date to June 30, 2012.

Please feel free to contact me, if you have questions or comments. My phone numbers are: 530 749-5679 (office), and 916-765-4981 (cell).

Sincerely,



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Executive Director

Attachment:

7<sup>th</sup> Quarterly Work Plan, dated February 28, 2011 (original and 2 copies)

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