

RESOLUTION NO. ~~2015-4~~

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE THREE RIVERS LEVEE IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY CERTIFYING THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE YUBA GOLDFIELDS 200-YEAR FLOOD PROTECTION PROJECT

WHEREAS, Three Rivers Levee Improvement Authority (“TRLIA”) proposes the Yuba Goldfields 200-Year Flood Protection Project (the “Project”) to reduce flood risk in the Reclamation District No. 784 service area;

WHEREAS, TRLIA is the lead agency for environmental review of the Project under the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”);

WHEREAS, a Notice of Preparation for a Draft Environmental Impact Report (“Draft EIR”) was prepared and released for public comment on June 12, 2014;

WHEREAS, the release of the Notice of Preparation initiated a 30-day public comment period that ended on July 14, 2014;

WHEREAS, During the public review period, two public scoping meetings were held on June 23rd to receive agency and public comments regarding the scope of the environmental analysis for the EIR. Notice of these meetings was given in accordance with Government Code Sections 65355 and 65453;

WHEREAS, a Draft EIR was prepared and circulated for public review and comment between March 11, 2015, and April 24, 2015;

WHEREAS, on April 6, 2015, TRLIA held two public comment meetings during which it received and considered testimony from the public, concerning the Project and the Draft EIR. Notice of these meetings was given in accordance with Government Code Sections 65355 and 65453;

WHEREAS, TRLIA received written comments on the Draft EIR from individuals, organizations and public agencies;

WHEREAS, a Final Environmental Impact Report (“Final EIR”) that incorporated the Draft EIR by reference and provided responses to public comments was prepared and distributed to the commenting agencies on August 14, 2015;

WHEREAS, an updated Final Environmental Impact Report (“Final EIR”) that incorporated the Draft EIR by reference and provided responses to public comments was prepared and made available to the public on September 10, 2015; and

WHEREAS, TRLIA discussed the Final EIR during its meeting on September 15, 2015 and provided the opportunity for the public to give comments on the Final EIR during that meeting;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Three Rivers Levee Improvement Authority resolves as follows:

1. The Final EIR is hereby certified as being completed in compliance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act and its implementing regulations.
2. The Final EIR was presented to the Board on September 11, 2015 and the Board discussed the contents of the Final EIR during its meeting on September 15, 2015.
3. The Board has reviewed and considered the information contained in the Final EIR prior to taking any action to approve or disapprove the Project.
4. The Board hereby ratifies and adopts the conclusions of the Final EIR. The Final EIR represents the independent judgment and analysis of the Board.
5. The Board hereby directs staff to file a Notice of Determination pursuant to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act.

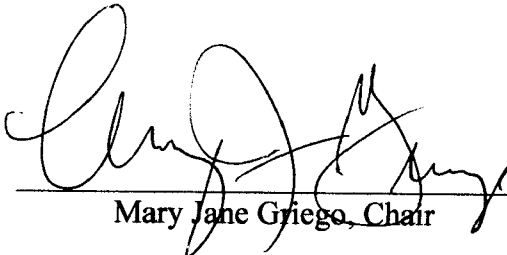
PASSED AND **ADOPTED** this 15th day of September 2015, by the Board of Directors of Three Rivers Levee Improvement Authority, by the following vote:

AYES: Directors Atwal, Brown, Crippen, Griego, Nicoletti

NOES: None

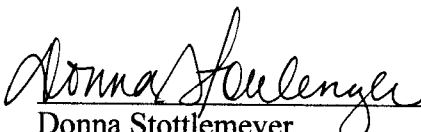
ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None




Mary Jane Griego, Chair

ATTEST:



Donna Stottlemeyer
Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Andrea P. Clark
General Counsel