

California Building Standards Code Update Project PUBLIC WORKSHOP

"Mitigating the Consequences of Flooding"

Sponsored by the California FloodSAFE Initiative and presented by the California Department of Water Resources

Purpose: The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) will host two public workshops in April to provide opportunity for the public to review and offer input on the proposed update language that DWR intends to submit to the California Building Standards Commission (CBSC). These proposed updates to the California Building Standards Code are intended to reduce the consequences of major flooding (in particular, floods that have a ½ percent chance of occurring each year, also called the “200-year” flood event) for buildings located in areas protected by the facilities of the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan*. The final proposal package will be submitted to CBSC by July 1, 2009; thereafter public engagement will follow the CBSC process. The workshop agenda and the proposed Code update language will be available online at www.water.ca.gov/BuildingCodeUpdate, on March 28. The proposed Code update language will be revised and reposted by April 7th. The same agenda will be used for both workshops. Previous public meeting materials are available at project website currently.

Intended Audience: Floodplain Administrators; Government Officials; Building, Planning, and Public Works staff; Developers; Builders; Architects; and interested parties from the General Public

Meeting Topics: Context of project: brief history of major flood hazards and how Project is integrated with other FloodSAFE programs and projects; and DWR’s Project objectives and goals. The majority of time will be allocated to discussing the proposed Code update. There will be time for questions and answers.

San Joaquin Valley Region

Date: Monday, April 13, 2009
Time: 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Cost: FREE
Meeting Location: Sam Pipes Conference Room, located in the Merced Civic Center
678 W. 18th Street, Merced 95340

Parking & Directions: Refer to sections below for a description of both. No maps are available on line.

Sacramento Valley Region

Date: Tuesday, April 14, 2009
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Cost: FREE
Meeting Location: Center for Collaborative Policy in Sacramento
815 S Street, 1st Floor, Sacramento, CA 95811
Parking & Directions: Refer to sections below for a description of both.

*The updated Codes, once approved by the California Building Standards Commission, will apply in “areas protected by the facilities of the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan [CVFPP] where flood levels are anticipated to exceed three feet for the 200-year flood event.” The CVFP

Plan is currently under development and will be approved in 2012. The facilities are currently being identified for the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan. They have been identified within the following counties: Butte, Colusa, Contra Costa, Fresno, Glenn, Madera, Merced, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Solano, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tehama, Yolo, and Yuba. Determination of additional facilities is ongoing. It is possible that facilities may be identified from the remain Central Valley counties: Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, El Dorado, Lake, Lassen, Mariposa, Modoc, Napa, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, San Benito, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, and Tuolumne.

Additional information on the Building Standards Code Update is available at www.water.ca.gov/BuildingCodeUpdate or by contacting Brian Walker at walkerb@water.ca.gov or (916) 574-1451.

Background information on the broader FloodSAFE Initiative is available at www.water.ca.gov/floodsafe.

Review comments can be provided prior to the workshops by emailing them to Brian Walker at walkerb@water.ca.gov

Requests for reasonable accommodation should be directed to: Edward Fama, (916) 653-6255; TDD (916) 653-6934.

Directions to the City of Merced Civic Center (Monday, April 13)

From the South:

Take California Highway 99 North
Take the MARTIN LUTHER KING JR WAY exit toward DOWNTOWN
Turn RIGHT onto MARTIN LUTHER KING JR WAY and proceed to first stoplight (16th St)
Turn LEFT onto W 16th St and proceed to first stoplight (M St)
Turn RIGHT onto M ST and proceed to second stoplight (18th St)
Turn LEFT onto W 18th ST
End at 678 W 18th St (about 3/4 block on the left)
Take California Highway 99 South
Take the California Hwy 99 North, V Street exit toward R STREET
Turn LEFT onto V ST and proceed three blocks on V ST to 16th St
Turn RIGHT onto W 16th ST and proceed six blocks to N St
Turn left onto N ST and proceed two blocks to W 18th St
Turn RIGHT onto W 18th St
End at 678 W 18th ST (on the corner of W 18th ST and N ST)

From the North:

Take California Highway 99 South
Take the California Hwy 99 North, V Street exit toward R STREET
Turn LEFT onto V ST and proceed three blocks on V ST to 16th St
Turn RIGHT onto W 16th ST and proceed six blocks to N St
Turn left onto N ST and proceed two blocks to W 18th St
Turn RIGHT onto W 18th St
End at 678 W 18th ST (on the corner of W 18th ST and N ST)

Parking Near the City of Merced Civic Center (Monday, April 13)

There is parking available immediately east of the Civic Center, on the same block, at the corner of "M" Street and W 18th Street. One block further east there is also parking available. A newer parking garage can be found on the entire western side of "M" Street between W 19th Street and W 18th Street.

Directions to the Center for Collaborative Policy, Sacramento (Tuesday, April 14)

<i>From Davis/San Francisco:</i>	<i>From Carmichael/Arden area:</i>
I-80 East towards Sacramento/Reno	Take the Business-80 West ramp toward Sacramento
Keep Left to Take US 50 East/Capitol City Freeway toward Sacramento/So Lake Tahoe	Merge onto Capital City Fwy
Take the 5th Street exit	Take the exit toward Downtown/10th Street
Turn left onto 5th Street	Turn slight left onto W Street
Turn right onto S Street	Turn right onto 10th Street
Turn left onto 8th Street	Turn left onto S Street
	Turn right onto 8th Street

<i>From Rio Linda area:</i>	<i>From Marysville/Natomas area:</i>
From Rio Linda Blvd	Merge onto I-5 South/CA-99 South towards Sacramento/Los Angeles
Turn right onto Bell Ave	Take the Q Street exit
Turn left onto Norwood Ave	Stay straight to go onto Q Street
Merge onto I-80 west towards San Francisco	Turn right onto 9th Street
Merge onto I-5 South/CA-99 South towards Sacramento/Los Angeles	To park on the premises:
Take the Q Street exit	
Stay straight to go onto Q Street	
Turn right onto 9th Street	

Parking near the Center for Collaborative Policy, Sacramento (Tuesday, April 14)

There is no public parking garage located near the Center. All surface street parking are either 10-hour meters in the immediate vicinity or 2-hour meters on the surrounding surface streets.

You can find a map of 10-hour meters here:

<http://www.cityofsacramento.org/transportation/parking/onstreetmapslongtermmap.html>

One local public parking lot: 7th Street, between "Q" and "R." 7th is one-way street going south (away from downtown). The "paying meter" is located inside the structure (concrete building). The meter accepts credit cards and cash. You need to know the number of the parking spot you are parked in order to pay at the meter. \$6/day.