AGENDA ITEM: 7

SUBJECT:

Update on activities associated with the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board's Water Quality Certifications Program, including the State Water Board's new State Wetland Definition and Procedures for Discharges of Dredged or Fill Material to Waters of the State.

BOARD ACTION:

Informational Item Only

SUMMARY:

The Central Valley Water Board's Water Quality Certifications program regulates removal or placement of materials in wetlands and waters of the state. Examples of such projects include navigational dredging, flood control channelization, levee construction, channel clearing, and fill of wetlands or waterways for development, bridge piers, and docks. These types of projects generally require a Clean Water Act Section 404 permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), and the state's Water Quality Certification is issued pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act to certify that the project approved by the Corps will meet state water quality requirements.

This informational item will provide an update on the Central Valley Water Board's Water Quality Certifications program and several current topics, including implementation of the State Water Board's new State Wetland Definition and Procedures for Discharges of Dredged or Fill Material to Waters of the State.

REVIEWS:

Mgmt. Review: - Bryan Smith, 11/4/2019

Legal Review: – Bayley Toft-Dupuy, 11/13/2019

Location of Board Meeting:

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board meeting 11020 Sun Center Dr. #200 Rancho Cordova, CA 95670