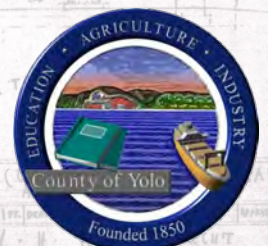
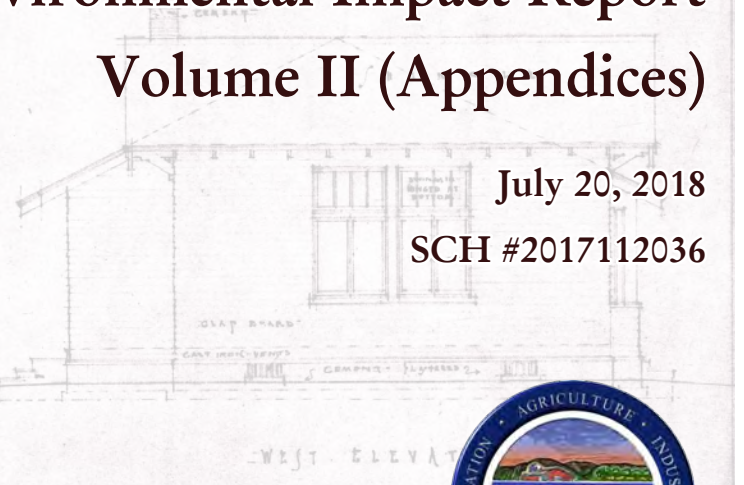
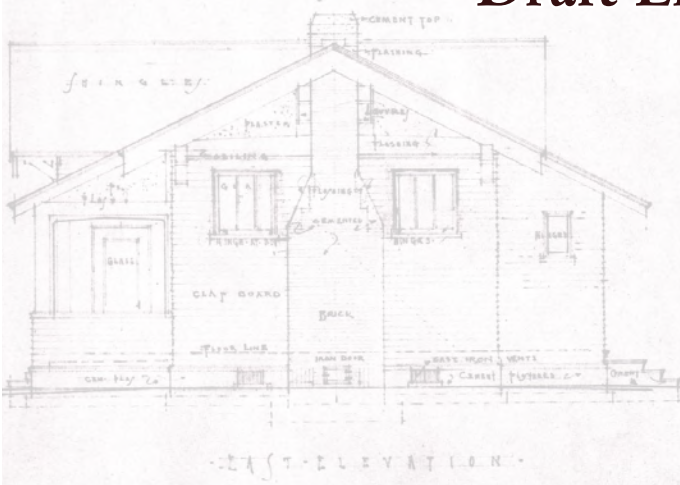


# New Yolo Branch Library Building Project Draft Environmental Impact Report Volume II (Appendices)

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# **New Yolo Branch Library Building Project**

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**NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT**  
**AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING**  
**NEW YOLO BRANCH LIBRARY BUILDING PROJECT**

**Date:** November 13, 2017

**To:** California State Clearinghouse, California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) responsible and trustee agencies, federal agencies, Yolo County Clerk, and interested individuals and organizations

**Subject:** Notice of Preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) / Notice of Public Scoping Meeting for the New Yolo Branch Library Building Project

**Lead Agency:** Yolo County Library – 226 Buckeye Street, Woodland, CA 95695

**Applicant:** Same as Lead Agency

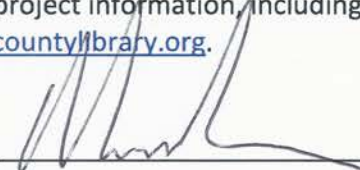
**Project Location:** 37750 Sacramento Street, Yolo, CA 95697

**Project Description:** A brief description of the proposed project, including its location and probable environmental effects, is attached. An Initial Study (IS) was not prepared for the project because the Yolo County Library has determined that an EIR will be prepared for the project.

The purpose of this Notice of Preparation (NOP) and Notice of Public Scoping Meeting is to request comments on the scope and content of the environmental review the Yolo County Library will conduct on its New Yolo Branch Library Building Project from state agencies, federal agencies, and any other interested individuals and organizations concerned with the environmental effects of the of the proposed project. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15082 (b), the Yolo County Library is providing a 30-day period to respond to this NOP. **Please send your written response by the earliest possible date, but no later than 5 PM on Friday, December 15, 2017 to Mr. Mark Fink, County Librarian, Yolo County Library, 226 Buckeye Street, Woodland, CA 95695 or to [mark.fink@yolocounty.org](mailto:mark.fink@yolocounty.org) (enter "New Yolo Branch Library Building Project NOP" in the 'Subject' line).** Agency responses should include the name of a contact person at the agency. The Yolo County Library encourages all interested agency representatives, organizations, and individuals to attend the public scoping meeting for the project's Draft EIR on:

**Thursday, November 30, 2017**  
**Yolo Branch Library**  
**37750 Sacramento Street, Yolo, CA 95697**  
**6:30 PM – 8 PM**

Additional project information, including this NOP, is available on the following website:  
[www.yolocountylibrary.org](http://www.yolocountylibrary.org).

Signature:  \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 11/9/17 \_\_\_\_\_

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## NEW YOLO BRANCH LIBRARY BUILDING PROJECT

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Yolo County Library strives to bring diverse and dynamic programs and services to its many communities and residents through innovation, communication, engagement, collaboration and diversity, providing opportunities for everyone to read, grow, discover and interact with one another and the world at large. The County's library system serves seven communities and the rural areas of Yolo County, providing public library services to nearly all areas of the County. The County's library system includes branch libraries in Clarksburg, Davis, Esparto, Knights Landing, West Sacramento, Winters, and Yolo. The Yolo Branch Library, located near the center of the County (see Figure 1), was originally constructed in 1918. Recent inspections of the Yolo Branch Library have identified structural and other concerns that necessitate discontinuing long-term use of the Yolo Branch Library. Given the Yolo Branch Library's existing condition, the Yolo County Library is proposing to demolish and replace the existing Yolo Branch Library with a new library facility.

#### Project Location and Site Description

The Yolo Branch Library is located at 37750 Sacramento Street, in the Town of Yolo, in unincorporated Yolo County (38°43'60" north latitude and 121°48'27" west longitude). The Town of Yolo is located adjacent to Interstate 5 (I-5), in the center of the County, and is surrounded by agricultural lands. The Yolo Branch Library property is an approximately 0.27-acre parcel of developed land (Assessor's Parcel Number 025-401-013) located at the northwest corner of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and Sacramento Street, near the center of town. The property consists of the approximately 1,000 square-foot, one-story library building, a gravel parking area, and a small grassy area; an approximately 1,350 square-foot modular building is also on-site to provide interim library services once the Yolo Branch Library building is closed to the public (anticipated to occur by January 2018). In general, the property is bordered by a single family residential property on the north (owned by the County), 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and residential land uses on the east, Sacramento Street and residential and commercial land uses on the south, and the Yolo Fire Station on the west (see Figure 2).

The Yolo Branch Library is listed on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), as well as the California Register of Historical Resources (CRHR). The library was listed on the NRHP in 1990 based on its social history and architectural significance. The NRHP filing includes a detailed description of the history and architectural characteristics of the library. The library was designed by noted architect William H. Weeks and is an example of a California Carnegie building constructed of wood that incorporates some elements of the "Craftsman" style. The NRHP registration forms indicated the exterior of the library was mostly unaltered at the time of its NRHP listing (1990); however, the County has since added solar panels to the library roof. The NRHP registration forms note the library is an important visual and social contributor to the downtown area of Yolo.

#### Key Project Components

The proposed New Yolo Branch Library Building Project is intended to address substantial structural and safety issues with the existing library building, upgrade and improve

existing Yolo Branch library services, expand the existing book and media collections, and provide community meeting space. The proposed project would involve the following key characteristics:

- Demolition of the existing Yolo Branch Library and existing structures on the residential property adjacent to the Yolo Branch Library (at 14184 Second Street);
- Construction of a new library building spanning both the library and adjacent residential parcels (a total project area equal to 0.65 acres);
- Merger and rezoning of the library and residential use parcels to a Public / Quasi Public land use designation; and
- Operation of the new library.

The new library building would be a 3,800 square-foot, wood-framed structure designed to incorporate the look and feel of the existing library building. Similar to the existing library, the new building would be built approximately 18-24 inches above grade to comply with flood zone requirements. The proposed project's conceptual site plan is shown in Figure 3. The key features of the conceptual site plan include:

- Expanded book and media collections to meet current and anticipated needs of patrons living in the service area, which is generally located along the I-5 corridor between Woodland and Dunnigan;
- Expanded computer stations for public use;
- Enhanced staffing resources;
- Large community room for joint use by library programs and the community;
- Covered outdoor activity area;
- Full accessibility to all public areas for individuals with disabilities;
- Efficient use of daylight, lighting, natural ventilation and HVAC systems; and
- Opportunity for outdoor gardens, seating and picnic areas, and activity lawn.

The County anticipates beginning potential construction of the project in Spring 2019, with the target date for opening the new library set for Winter 2019.

### **Probable Environmental Effects**

The Yolo County Library is preparing an EIR for its proposed New Yolo Branch Library Building Project because the project may have the potential to result in one or more significant environmental effects. Specifically, due to its listing on both the NRHP and the CRHR, the existing Yolo Branch Library is considered a historical resource pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5. As such, the proposed project may have a significant effect on the environment because it may result in a substantial adverse change to the significance of the historical library building from building demolition or modification.

The EIR will present the findings of a historical resources evaluation prepared for the proposed project by a qualified historical resources consulting firm. The EIR would fully evaluate and present information regarding the historical status of the Yolo Branch Library, assess the significance of the potential demolition of the library, and consider and discuss feasible mitigation measures that could avoid or substantially lessen all potentially significant adverse changes to the historical significance of the library. Such mitigation may include, but is

not limited to, avoiding demolition of the existing library, modifying and expanding the library in compliance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties, and/or the physical relocation of the library.

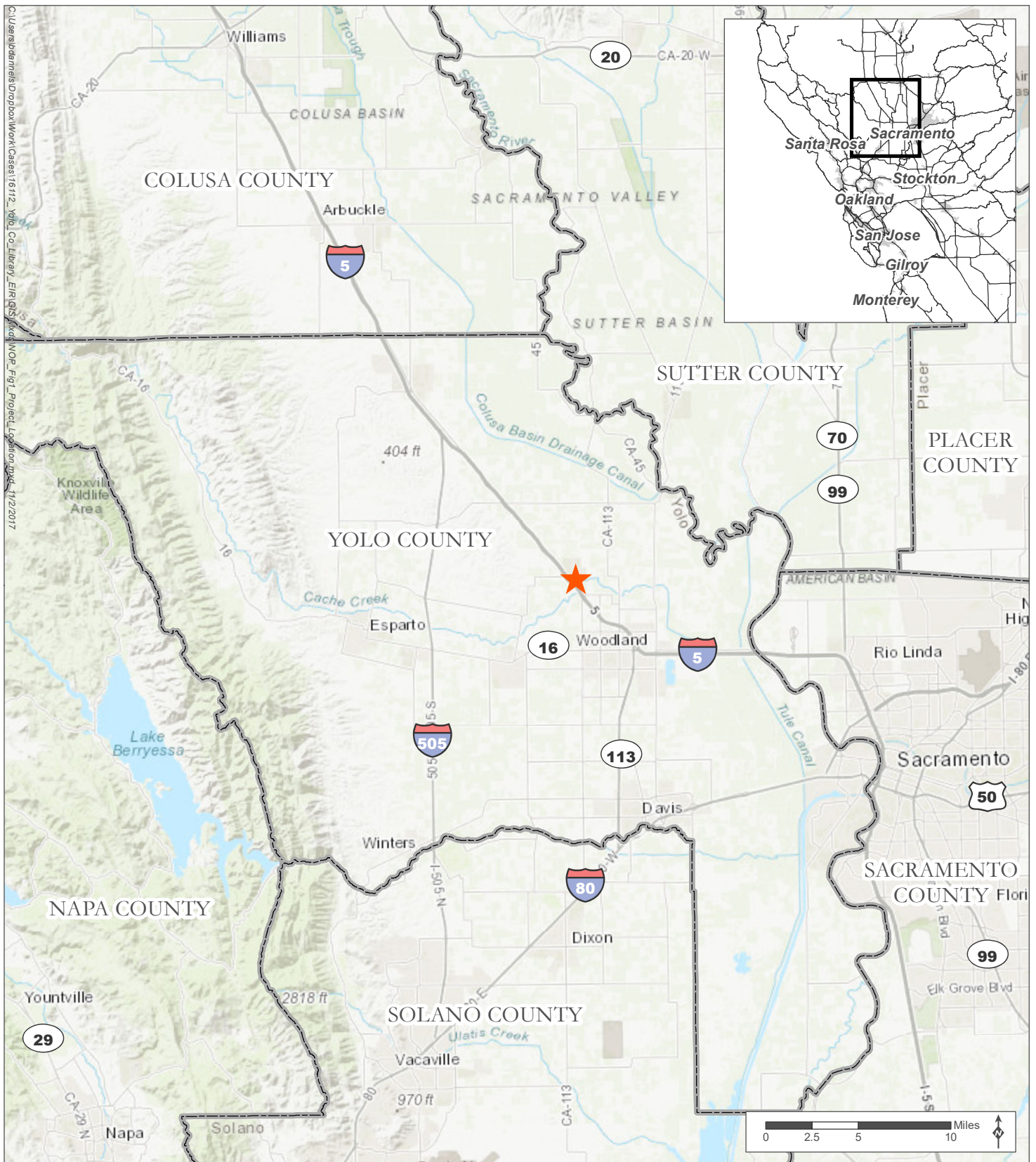
In addition to historical resources, the EIR would also evaluate the following topics in detail: Aesthetics / Visual Resources, Air Quality / Greenhouse Gases, Biological Resources, Cultural and Tribal Cultural Resources, Geology and Soils, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Hydrology and Water Quality, Land Use, Noise, and Public Services.

Finally, the EIR would identify and discuss alternatives to the proposed project that would: 1) obtain most of the objectives the County has set for the proposed project, and 2) avoid or substantially lessen any significant impacts of the project identified in the EIR.



### **Less Than Significant Effects**

The proposed project would result in the replacement and minor expansion (from approximately 1,000 square feet to approximately 3,800 square feet) of an existing library land use. The proposed project is also anticipated to increase the Yolo Branch Library's hours of operation from approximately 15 hours to 25 hours in total. The proposed project would clearly result in a less than significant or no impact on or from Agricultural and Forestry Resources, , Mineral Resources, Population and Housing, Recreation Resources, Traffic, and Utilities and Service Systems because these resources are not present at or in the immediate vicinity of the Yolo Branch Library and/or the proposed project would not affect existing facilities that provide these resources. Accordingly, these topics are not anticipated to be addressed in detail in the EIR.

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Source: County of Yolo, 2007; ESRI, 2016; MIG, 2017

-  Project location
-  County boundary

**Figure 1 Project Location**

*New Yolo Branch Library Building Project*



Source: County of Yolo, 2015; MIG, 2017

- Project area
- Parcel boundary**
- 025-401-12 Juarez Property
- 025-401-13 Yolo Branch Library

**Figure 2 Project Vicinity**

*New Yolo Branch Library Building Project*

**Figure 3 – New Yolo Branch Library Building Project Conceptual Site Plan**



**Figure 4 – New Yolo Branch Library Building Project Conceptual Visual Rendering**



Source: WMB Architects, 2017.

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**YOLO COUNTY LIBRARY  
NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING  
FOR THE NEW YOLO BRANCH LIBRARY BUILDING PROJECT**

**DISTRIBUTION LIST - NOVEMBER 2017**

The following agencies and interested parties were sent a copy of the Notice of Preparation (NOP) of an Environmental Impact Report and Notice of Public Scoping Meeting for the Yolo County Library's New Yolo Branch Library Building Project. Copies of the NOP were sent via certified delivery, regular mail, and/or electronic mail. Please contact the Yolo County Library for information on the specific method of delivery for the recipients listed below.

<b>CEQA State Responsible and Trustee Agencies (To be sent by the State Clearinghouse)</b>	<b>Materials Distributed</b>
<p>Governor's Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814</p> <p>The State Clearinghouse will send copies to the following state agencies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Air Resources Board</li> <li>• Department of Fish and Wildlife (Region 2)</li> <li>• Native American Heritage Commission</li> <li>• Office of Historic Preservation</li> <li>• Regional Water Quality Control Board #5</li> </ul>	<p>Notice of Completion Notice of Preparation (15 copies)</p>
<b>Local Responsible Agencies (To be sent by the Yolo County Library):</b>	<b>Materials Distributed</b>
<p>Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District Planning and Air Monitoring 1947 Galileo Court, Suite 103 Davis, CA 95618</p>	<p>Notice of Preparation</p>

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<b>County Clerk (To be sent by the Yolo County Library):</b>	<b>Materials Distributed</b>
Yolo County Clerk-Recorder's Office 625 Court Street, Room B01 Woodland, CA 95965	Notice of Preparation

<b>Interested Individuals and Organizations (To be sent by the Yolo County Library):</b>	<b>Materials Distributed</b>
Friends of the Yolo Branch Library P.O. Box 344 Yolo, CA 95697	Notice of Preparation
Yolo Fire Protection District P.O. Box 466 Yolo, CA 95697	Notice of Preparation
Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District 34274 State Highway 16 Woodland, CA 95695	Notice of Preparation
Yolo County Historical Society P.O. Box 1447 Woodland, CA 95776	Notice of Preparation
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Owner / Occupant 37765 Washington Street Yolo, CA 95967	Notice of Preparation

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Owner / Occupant 37735 Sacramento Street Yolo, CA 95967	Notice of Preparation

The Yolo County Planning Division also distributed the Notice of Preparation to an electronic distribution list.

## Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

8 December 2017

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### COMMENTS TO REQUEST FOR REVIEW FOR THE NOTICE OF PREPARATION FOR THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, NEW YOLO BRANCH LIBRARY BUILDING PROJECT, SCH# 2017112036, YOLO COUNTY

Pursuant to the State Clearinghouse's 14 November 2017 request, the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) has reviewed the *Request for Review for the Notice of Preparation for the Draft Environment Impact Report* for the New Yolo Branch Library Building Project, located in Yolo County.

Our agency is delegated with the responsibility of protecting the quality of surface and groundwaters of the state; therefore our comments will address concerns surrounding those issues.

#### I. Regulatory Setting

##### Basin Plan

The Central Valley Water Board is required to formulate and adopt Basin Plans for all areas within the Central Valley region under Section 13240 of the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act. Each Basin Plan must contain water quality objectives to ensure the reasonable protection of beneficial uses, as well as a program of implementation for achieving water quality objectives with the Basin Plans. Federal regulations require each state to adopt water quality standards to protect the public health or welfare, enhance the quality of water and serve the purposes of the Clean Water Act. In California, the beneficial uses, water quality objectives, and the Antidegradation Policy are the State's water quality standards. Water quality standards are also contained in the National Toxics Rule, 40 CFR Section 131.36, and the California Toxics Rule, 40 CFR Section 131.38.

The Basin Plan is subject to modification as necessary, considering applicable laws, policies, technologies, water quality conditions and priorities. The original Basin Plans were adopted in 1975, and have been updated and revised periodically as required, using Basin Plan amendments. Once the Central Valley Water Board has adopted a Basin Plan amendment in noticed public hearings, it must be approved by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Office of Administrative Law (OAL) and in some cases,

the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA). Basin Plan amendments only become effective after they have been approved by the OAL and in some cases, the USEPA. Every three (3) years, a review of the Basin Plan is completed that assesses the appropriateness of existing standards and evaluates and prioritizes Basin Planning issues.

For more information on the *Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento and San Joaquin River Basins*, please visit our website:  
[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water\\_issues/basin\\_plans/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/basin_plans/).

### **Antidegradation Considerations**

All wastewater discharges must comply with the Antidegradation Policy (State Water Board Resolution 68-16) and the Antidegradation Implementation Policy contained in the Basin Plan. The Antidegradation Policy is available on page IV-15.01 at:  
[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalleywater\\_issues/basin\\_plans/sacsjr.pdf](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalleywater_issues/basin_plans/sacsjr.pdf)

In part it states:

*Any discharge of waste to high quality waters must apply best practicable treatment or control not only to prevent a condition of pollution or nuisance from occurring, but also to maintain the highest water quality possible consistent with the maximum benefit to the people of the State.*

*This information must be presented as an analysis of the impacts and potential impacts of the discharge on water quality, as measured by background concentrations and applicable water quality objectives.*

The antidegradation analysis is a mandatory element in the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and land discharge Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) permitting processes. The environmental review document should evaluate potential impacts to both surface and groundwater quality.

## **II. Permitting Requirements**

### **Construction Storm Water General Permit**

Dischargers whose project disturb one or more acres of soil or where projects disturb less than one acre but are part of a larger common plan of development that in total disturbs one or more acres, are required to obtain coverage under the General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Construction Activities (Construction General Permit), Construction General Permit Order No. 2009-009-DWQ. Construction activity subject to this permit includes clearing, grading, grubbing, disturbances to the ground, such as stockpiling, or excavation, but does not include regular maintenance activities performed to restore the original line, grade, or capacity of the facility. The Construction General Permit requires the development and implementation of a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan

(SWPPP).

For more information on the Construction General Permit, visit the State Water Resources Control Board website at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_issues/programs/stormwater/constpermits.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/stormwater/constpermits.shtml).

#### **Phase I and II Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permits<sup>1</sup>**

The Phase I and II MS4 permits require the Permittees reduce pollutants and runoff flows from new development and redevelopment using Best Management Practices (BMPs) to the maximum extent practicable (MEP). MS4 Permittees have their own development standards, also known as Low Impact Development (LID)/post-construction standards that include a hydromodification component. The MS4 permits also require specific design concepts for LID/post-construction BMPs in the early stages of a project during the entitlement and CEQA process and the development plan review process.

For more information on which Phase I MS4 Permit this project applies to, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water\\_issues/storm\\_water/municipal\\_permits/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/storm_water/municipal_permits/).

For more information on the Caltrans Phase I MS4 Permit, visit the State Water Resources Control Board at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_issues/programs/stormwater/caltrans.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/stormwater/caltrans.shtml).

For more information on the Phase II MS4 permit and who it applies to, visit the State Water Resources Control Board at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_issues/programs/stormwater/phase\\_ii\\_municipal.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/stormwater/phase_ii_municipal.shtml)

#### **Industrial Storm Water General Permit**

Storm water discharges associated with industrial sites must comply with the regulations contained in the Industrial Storm Water General Permit Order No. 2014-0057-DWQ.

For more information on the Industrial Storm Water General Permit, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water\\_issues/storm\\_water/industrial\\_general\\_permits/index.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/storm_water/industrial_general_permits/index.shtml).

#### **Clean Water Act Section 404 Permit**

If the project will involve the discharge of dredged or fill material in navigable waters or wetlands, a permit pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act may be needed from the

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<sup>1</sup> Municipal Permits = The Phase I Municipal Separate Storm Water System (MS4) Permit covers medium sized Municipalities (serving between 100,000 and 250,000 people) and large sized municipalities (serving over 250,000 people). The Phase II MS4 provides coverage for small municipalities, including non-traditional Small MS4s, which include military bases, public campuses, prisons and hospitals.

United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACOE). If a Section 404 permit is required by the USACOE, the Central Valley Water Board will review the permit application to ensure that discharge will not violate water quality standards. If the project requires surface water drainage realignment, the applicant is advised to contact the Department of Fish and Game for information on Streambed Alteration Permit requirements.

If you have any questions regarding the Clean Water Act Section 404 permits, please contact the Regulatory Division of the Sacramento District of USACOE at (916) 557-5250.

#### **Clean Water Act Section 401 Permit – Water Quality Certification**

If an USACOE permit (e.g., Non-Reporting Nationwide Permit, Nationwide Permit, Letter of Permission, Individual Permit, Regional General Permit, Programmatic General Permit), or any other federal permit (e.g., Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act or Section 9 from the United States Coast Guard), is required for this project due to the disturbance (i.e., discharge of dredge or fill material) of waters of the United States (such as streams and wetlands), then a Water Quality Certification must be obtained from the Central Valley Water Board prior to initiation of project activities. There are no waivers for 401 Water Quality Certifications.

#### **Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs)**

##### *Discharges to Waters of the State*

If USACOE determines that only non-jurisdictional waters of the State (i.e., “non-federal” waters of the State) are present in the proposed project area, the proposed project may require a Waste Discharge Requirement (WDR) permit to be issued by Central Valley Water Board. Under the California Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act, discharges to all waters of the State, including all wetlands and other waters of the State including, but not limited to, isolated wetlands, are subject to State regulation.

##### *Land Disposal of Dredge Material*

If the project will involve dredging, Water Quality Certification for the dredging activity and Waste Discharge Requirements for the land disposal may be needed.

##### *Local Agency Oversight*

Pursuant to the State Water Board's Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems Policy (OWTS Policy), the regulation of septic tank and leach field systems may be regulated under the local agency's management program in lieu of WDRs. A county environmental health department may permit septic tank and leach field systems designed for less than 10,000 gpd. For more information on septic system regulations, visit the Central Valley Water Board's website at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water\\_issues/owts/sb\\_owts\\_policy.pdf](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/owts/sb_owts_policy.pdf)

For more information on the Water Quality Certification and WDR processes, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/help/business\\_help/permit2.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/help/business_help/permit2.shtml).

### **Dewatering Permit**

If the proposed project includes construction or groundwater dewatering to be discharged to land, the proponent may apply for coverage under State Water Board General Water Quality Order (Low Risk General Order) 2003-0003 or the Central Valley Water Board's Waiver of Report of Waste Discharge and Waste Discharge Requirements (Low Risk Waiver) R5-2013-0145. Small temporary construction dewatering projects are projects that discharge groundwater to land from excavation activities or dewatering of underground utility vaults. Dischargers seeking coverage under the General Order or Waiver must file a Notice of Intent with the Central Valley Water Board prior to beginning discharge.

For more information regarding the Low Risk General Order and the application process, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board\\_decisions/adopted\\_orders/water\\_quality/2003/wqo/wqo2003-0003.pdf](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_decisions/adopted_orders/water_quality/2003/wqo/wqo2003-0003.pdf)

For more information regarding the Low Risk Waiver and the application process, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_decisions/adopted\\_orders/waivers/r5-2013-0145\\_res.pdf](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/waivers/r5-2013-0145_res.pdf)

### **Regulatory Compliance for Commercially Irrigated Agriculture**

If the property will be used for commercial irrigated agricultural, the discharger will be required to obtain regulatory coverage under the Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program. There are two options to comply:

1. **Obtain Coverage Under a Coalition Group.** Join the local Coalition Group that supports land owners with the implementation of the Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program. The Coalition Group conducts water quality monitoring and reporting to the Central Valley Water Board on behalf of its growers. The Coalition Groups charge an annual membership fee, which varies by Coalition Group. To find the Coalition Group in your area, visit the Central Valley Water Board's website at: [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water\\_issues/irrigated\\_lands/app\\_approval/index.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/irrigated_lands/app_approval/index.shtml); or contact water board staff at (916) 464-4611 or via email at [IrrLands@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:IrrLands@waterboards.ca.gov).
2. **Obtain Coverage Under the General Waste Discharge Requirements for Individual Growers, General Order R5-2013-0100.** Dischargers not participating in a third-party group (Coalition) are regulated individually. Depending on the specific site conditions, growers may be required to monitor runoff from their property, install monitoring wells, and submit a notice of intent, farm plan, and other action plans regarding their actions to comply with their General Order. Yearly costs would include State administrative fees (for example, annual fees for farm sizes from 10-100 acres are currently \$1,084 + \$6.70/Acre); the cost to prepare annual monitoring reports; and water quality monitoring costs. To enroll as an Individual Discharger under the Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program, call the



Central Valley Water Board phone line at (916) 464-4611 or e-mail board staff at IrrLands@waterboards.ca.gov.

### **Low or Limited Threat General NPDES Permit**

If the proposed project includes construction dewatering and it is necessary to discharge the groundwater to waters of the United States, the proposed project will require coverage under a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. Dewatering discharges are typically considered a low or limited threat to water quality and may be covered under the General Order for *Dewatering and Other Low Threat Discharges to Surface Waters* (Low Threat General Order) or the General Order for *Limited Threat Discharges of Treated/Untreated Groundwater from Cleanup Sites, Wastewater from Superchlorination Projects, and Other Limited Threat Wastewaters to Surface Water* (Limited Threat General Order). A complete application must be submitted to the Central Valley Water Board to obtain coverage under these General NPDES permits.

For more information regarding the Low Threat General Order and the application process, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\\_decisions/adopted\\_orders/general\\_orders/r5-2013-0074.pdf](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/general_orders/r5-2013-0074.pdf)

For more information regarding the Limited Threat General Order and the application process, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:

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### **NPDES Permit**

If the proposed project discharges waste that could affect the quality of the waters of the State, other than into a community sewer system, the proposed project will require coverage under a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. A complete Report of Waste Discharge must be submitted with the Central Valley Water Board to obtain a NPDES Permit.

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[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/help/business\\_help/permit3.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/help/business_help/permit3.shtml)

If you have questions regarding these comments, please contact me at (916) 464-4644 or Stephanie.Tadlock@waterboards.ca.gov.



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Environmental Scientist

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**From:** Hogan, Phil - NRCS, Woodland, CA [<mailto:Phil.Hogan@ca.usda.gov>]

**Sent:** Monday, November 13, 2017 3:37 PM

**To:** Evelyn Tamayo-Arias

**Subject:** RE: Yolo Branch Library Notice of Preparation

Evelyn:

Soils Map and table for the New Yolo Branch Library Building Project. Since parcels are already built on, no impact to agricultural soils resources.

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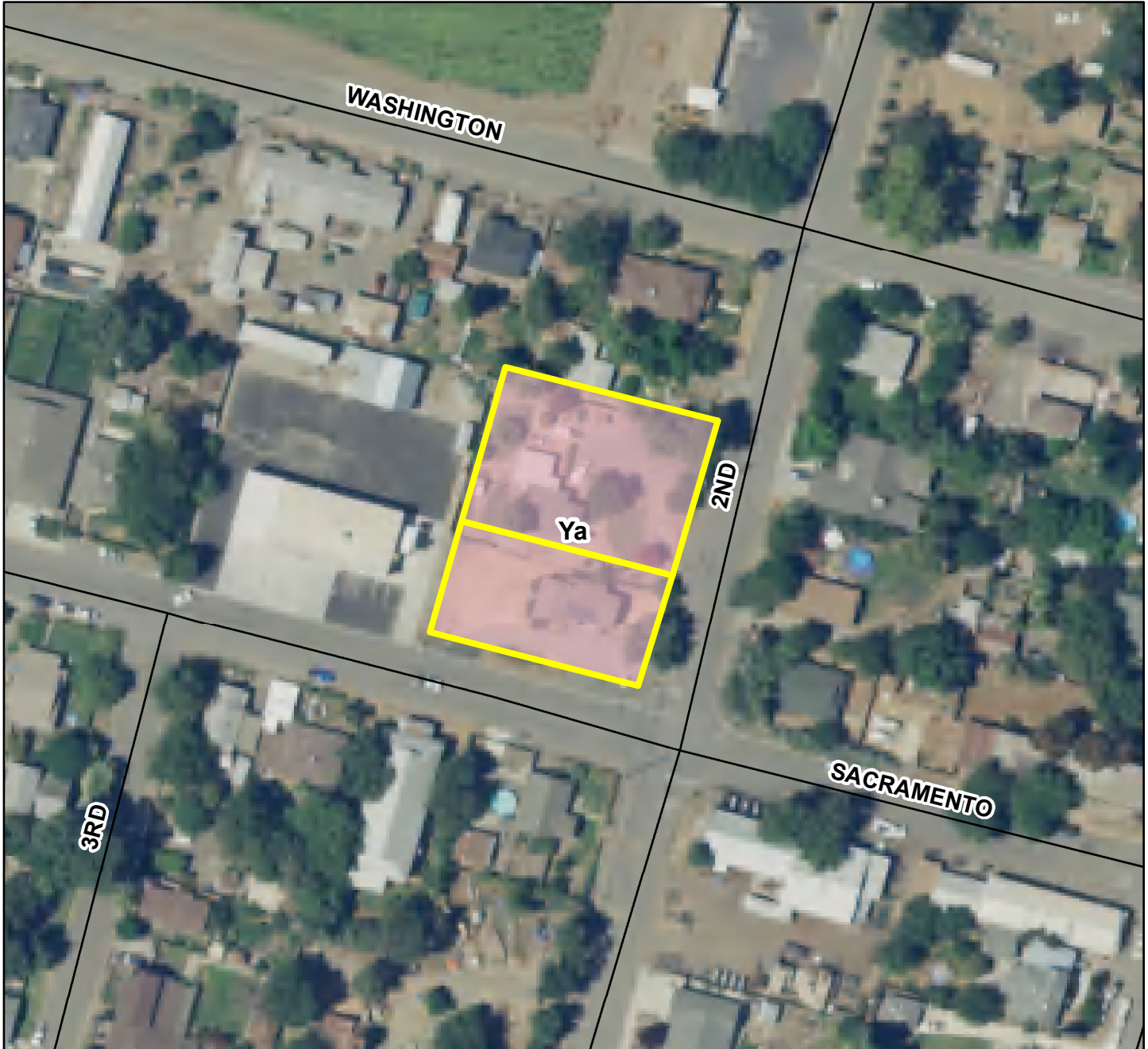
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# NEW YOLO BRANCH LIBRARY BUILDING PROJECT - Soils Map -

Date: 11/13/2017

Customer(s): YOLO COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES  
District: YOLO COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
Approximate Acres: 0.7  
Legal Description: USGS QUADRANGLE(s): Woodland, CA  
Rio Jesus Maria Land Grant


Field Office: VACAVILLE SERVICE CENTER  
Agency: USDA NRCS  
Assisted By: PHIL HOGAN  
State and County: CA, Yolo County, California  
Land Units: APNs 025-401-12 (Juarez Property)  
025-401-13 Yolo Branch Library




Prepared with assistance from USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service



### Legend

 New Yolo Branch Library Project

### MUSYM, MUNAME

 Ya:Yolo silt loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes, MLRA 17

 Roads

MAP:  
Web Soil Survey, Yolo County, CA  
11-13-2017  
1:1,250

