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SOI Amendment for SMUD and Annexation of W. Sac, Davis and Woodland State Clearinghouse (SCH) Number: 2005092009

Staff for The Department of Water Resources has reviewed the Notice of Preparation provided through the SCH and provides the following comments on behalf of the **State Reclamation Board**:

The Board has no jurisdiction over the SOI and Annexation, however, transmission lines may be located across regulated streams or within designated floodways and may impact a Federal and State authorized flood control project over which The Reclamation Board has jurisdiction and exercises authority. Section 8710 of the California Water Code requires that a Board permit must be obtained prior to start of any work, including excavation and construction activities, within floodways, levees, and 10 feet landward of the landside levee toes. A list of streams regulated by the Board is contained in the California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Section 112.

Section 8(b)(2) of the Regulations states that applications for permits submitted to the Board must include a completed environmental questionnaire that accompanies the application and a copy of any environmental documents if they are prepared for the project. For any foreseeable significant environmental impacts, mitigation for such impacts shall be proposed. Applications are reviewed for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act.

Section 8(b)(4) of the Regulations states that additional information, such as geotechnical exploration, soil testing, hydraulic or sediment transport studies, biological surveys, environmental surveys and other analyses may be required at any time prior to Board action on the application.

For further information on where to send the documentation, please contact me at (916) 574-0373 or ddjones@water.ca.gov.

DeeDee Jones, Chair

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