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SCH #: 2023080108

Project Title: Cache Creek Channel and Levee Rehabilitation Project

Lead Agency: California Department of Water Resources (DWR)

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Project Location: Woodland/Town of Yolo, Yolo County

City *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The proposed project would restore the design flood conveyance capacity along an approximately nine-mile-long reach of Cache Creek by removing sediment along with vegetation and slightly raising levee elevations at selected locations. The project project is located in unincorporated Yolo County near the Town of Yolo, approximately two miles north of the City of Woodland and about 4.5 miles west of the Sacramento River, in Yolo County. The upstream end of the project reach is approximately 1.6 miles west of the I-5 bridge crossing over the creek. The downstream end of the project reach is at the terminus of a training levee where the channel extends into the Cache Creek Settling Basin. The proposed project would restore the original design flow and freeboard within the leveed area of Cache Creek. Specifically, DWR is proposing to: 1) remove sediment and vegetation from the channel; and, 2) slightly raise existing levee elevations. The overall schedule for construction of the proposed project is anticipated to begin in 2028, at the earliest, and proceed over two years.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

This Partially Recirculated Draft EIR analyzed the following environmental resources in detail: Agriculture and Forestry, Utilities & Service Systems, and Cumulative Effects.

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If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

Based on comments made during the 30-day public review period in response to information published in the Notice of Preparation (NOP) and in public comments made during the public scoping period, areas of controversy were identified for the project regarding: scope of the project to address future maintenance of the channel vegetation management, addressing potential flooding conditions, disposal of excavated sediment, and location of staging areas. Issues to be resolved include the choice among alternatives, and how to mitigate the project's significant environmental impacts.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

Reviewing Agencies: Caltrans District #3, Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, Fish and Game Region #2, Office of Historic Preservation, Regional Water Quality Control Board #5