

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

During public scoping for the 2018 LSJR IIFR/EIS/EIR, the following areas of controversy were identified:

PROPERTY ACQUISITION: In some cases, permanent property acquisition may be needed for project construction or O&M. Temporary construction easements will likely be needed for construction staging and equipment access, and temporary restrictions on access to private property may also be necessary. These effects are described in Chapter 5 of the 2018 LSJR IIFR/EIS/EIR.

CONSTRUCTION-RELATED EFFECTS: The levee system in the project area is adjacent to residential areas. Construction activities are likely to result in construction-related effects including noise, traffic, and air quality, and are specifically described in Chapter 5 of the 2018 LSJR IIFR/EIS/EIR, in Chapter 3 of the 2023 TS30L Final SEIR, and in Chapter 3 of the LSJR CMP Draft SEA/SEIR.

LEVEE ENCROACHMENT AND VEGETATION: The project is likely to include removal, relocation or replacement of features in, on, or under the levee or adjacent O&M corridors, requiring the removal of vegetation and potential special-status species habitats. This issue is described further in Chapter 5 of the 2018 LSJR IIFR/EIS/EIR in the sections on vegetation, fisheries, wildlife, special-status species, visual resources, and recreation, and in Chapter 3 of the 2023 TS30L Final SEIR and Chapter 3 of the LSJR CMP Draft SEA/SEIR.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 11988: Application of the EO to this study caused concerns about the ability of local jurisdictions to meet their planning and development goals. This concern is particularly relevant to the RD 17 portion of the project area. The project's potential to induce growth, or remove a potential barrier to growth, is discussed in Section 3.6 of the 2018 LSJR IIFR/EIS/EIR, Section 3.2.10 of the 2023 TS30L Final SEIR, and Section 5.1 of the LSJR CMP Draft SEA/SEIR.

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

Responsible agencies:

California Department of Water Resources

Trustee agencies:

California Department of Fish and Wildlife

California Department of Parks and Recreation