



Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency

A Partnership for Flood Safety

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Groundbreaking for \$312 million levee project slated for August 7 near site of 1955 Flood

What: Approximately 200 people are expected to attend the groundbreaking ceremony for the Feather River West Levee Project, an aggressive effort to repair 44 miles of the west Feather River Levee that provides protection to more than 90,000 residents in Sutter County and southern portions of Butte County. The project is a partnership between the Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency and the California Department of Water Resources. Initial construction begins at Shanghai Bend --site of the 1955 levee failure that resulted in 38 deaths—and extends 15 miles north to Live Oak. Additional levee work will continue through 2015.

When: 10 a.m., Wednesday, August 7
Where: West Feather River Levee in Yuba City (see map)
Parking along Second Street, Yuba City
(Close to 44 Second Street, for GPS users)

Who:

- Congressman John Garamendi (D), California's Third District
- Congressman Doug LaMalfa (R), California's First District
- CA Senator Jim Nielsen (R), California's Fourth District
- Yvonne Henderson, Field Representative for Assemblyman Dan Logue (R), California's Third District
- John Laird, Secretary, State Department of Natural Resources *(Invited)*
- Bill Edgar, President, Central Valley Flood Protection Board
- Gary Bardini, Deputy Director, California Department of Water Resources
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

