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Edgar Appointed to State Flood Protection Board; SBFCA Bids Him Farewell

Bill Edgar, Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency's (SBFCA) Executive Director, has been appointed to the Central Valley Flood Protection Board by Governor Brown, the Governor's Office announced today. The Board oversees and regulates flood management activities within California's Central Valley, including those being implemented by SBFCA. As such, Edgar may not hold both positions simultaneously and has therefore resigned from SBFCA, effective today.

Edgar served as SBFCA's part-time executive director since the agency's formation in December 2007. He is credited with organizing the joint powers authority and leading its effort to raise local and state funds to implement a \$312 million, 44-mile levee improvement project. Edgar brought a wealth of experience to the job, having previously served as the city manager of the City of Sacramento, as the first executive director of the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency, and as a former member of the State Reclamation Board (now known as the Central Valley Flood Protection Board).

"I've been so honored to be a part of SBFCA," said Edgar. "The progress we've made over the last four years has been remarkable. The organization is running effectively under highly qualified staff and consultants. We have a project that will provide a high level of flood protection within a few short years. A benefit assessment to pay the local cost share of the project received 72 percent approval from property owners, and we were successful in obtaining a State grant to help pay for project design. We're on track to start construction in 2013. I am confident about SBFCA's ability to successfully implement this important project."

Mike Inamine, SBFCA's Director of Engineering, will temporarily absorb Edgar's responsibilities until SBFCA's Board of Directors makes further decisions regarding staffing. The Board's next regular meeting is slated for 1 p.m., Wednesday, February 8, at Yuba City Hall.

"Bill was instrumental in establishing this organization and taking it to a high level," said SBFCA Board Chair and Yuba City Council Member John Miller. "We would not be where we are today were it not for his leadership. We hate to see him go, but you can't keep a good man down. We wish him well in his latest endeavor and know that he leaves us in good hands under the tutelage of Mike Inamine and the rest of our team."

In an email to the Board of Directors, Edgar told the Board, "I will always be grateful for the opportunity to start up SBFCA and bring it to this point. I would like to thank you and your agency's staff for your dedication and commitment to improved flood protection for the Sutter Basin."

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