



May 15, 2014

Honorable Barbara Boxer
Chairman, Committee on
Environment and Public Works
Rm. 410 Dirksen Building
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510-6175

Honorable David Vitter
Ranking Member, Committee on
Environment and Public Works
Rm. 456 Dirksen Building
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510-6175

Honorable Bill Shuster
Chairman, Committee on
Transportation and Infrastructure
U.S. House of Representatives
Rm. 2165 Rayburn Building
Washington, DC 20515-6256

Honorable Nick J. Rahall II
Ranking Member, Committee on
Transportation and Infrastructure
U.S. House of Representatives
Rm. 2165 Rayburn Building
Washington, DC 20515-6256

Dear Chairman Boxer, Ranking Member Vitter, Chairman Shuster and Ranking Member Rahall:

On behalf of the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency and the citizens of the Sacramento region, I want to express our appreciation for your completion of work on H.R. 3080, the Water Resources Reform and Development Act (WRRDA) of 2014.

WRRDA will not only authorize the vitally important flood control project for the Natomas Basin, it also will address critically important flood protection policies for the region and the Nation, including those relating to levee vegetation, credit for non-Federal work, levee safety, and the alteration of Federal projects by non-Federal interests.

You have demonstrated outstanding leadership and initiative in creatively addressing many pressing issues and opportunities and working together in a bipartisan manner to make this legislation a reality.

I would also like to thank your fine staffs, which have worked tirelessly to address key infrastructure needs and responsibly negotiate differences between the House and Senate bills. I offer a special thanks to Bettina Poirier, Jason Albritton, Ted Illston, Zak Baig, Charles Brittingham, Chris Bertram, Steve Martinko, John Anderson, Geoff Bowman, Ryan Seiger and Dave Wegner. Their professionalism and willingness to accept input from stakeholders has been exceptional.

We urge prompt action on H.R. 3080 and again thank you for your fine service to the Nation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Richard M. Johnson".

Richard M. Johnson
Executive Director

Office 916-874-7606
FAX 916-874-8289

1007 - 7th Street, 7th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814-3407