



May 13, 2025

Dominick Gulli, President
Reclamation District No. 1614
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Stockton, CA 95204

INSPECTION REPORTS FOR RD 1614 PUMP STATIONS – SMITH CANAL GATE LOMR

Dear Mr. Gulli,

In response to SJAFCA's January 29, 2025, LOMR application after completion of the Smith Canal Gate project, FEMA sent a letter dated April 22, 2025, that requested information needed to complete their review. The requested information was generally not technical in nature; instead, FEMA requested minor revisions, additions, clarifications, and/or supplements to existing technical information previously provided by SJAFCA. One item of information requires input from Reclamation District No. 1614 (RD 1614) as follows:

Please submit an inspection report completed within the last year to document that the required periodic testing and inspection of the Smith Canal Gate Structure and interior drainage systems have occurred as required by regulation under 44 CFR Section 65.10 (c)(1)(iii) & 65.10(c)(2)(iv), and that the levee is being maintained in accordance with the maintenance plan.

Therefore, we request RD 1614 to provide SJAFCA with inspection reports from within the last year for each of RD 1614's drainage pump stations. If inspection reports from within the last year are not available for all pump stations, we request that RD 1614 perform the necessary inspection(s) and prepare and provide the inspection report(s). FEMA requirements for inspection reports of interior drainage systems are described in 44 CFR Section 65.10(c)(2)(iv) as follows:

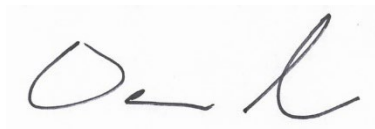
Provisions for periodic inspection of interior drainage systems and periodic operation of any mechanized portions for testing and training purposes. No more than one year shall elapse between either the inspections or the operations.

SJAFCA would be happy to develop, or assist with developing, an inspection form template that complies with FEMA requirements. We expect the inspection form template will likely consist of a single page of check boxes and fill-in-the-blank fields so that each form can be completed easily and efficiently. We ask that the RD 1614 Board of Trustees consider this request(s) at their next Board Meeting on May 19, 2025.

Given the simple list of requested information, we are hopeful that with RD 1614's report, FEMA will process the LOMR application timely and relieve affected residents from requiring flood insurance as soon as possible. We would appreciate RD 1614's support in this effort.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'D. Suen', is positioned above the printed name and title.

Darren Suen
Executive Director