Project Will Eliminate High-Cost, Mandatory Flood Insurance

Once SJAFCA completes construction of the Smith Canal Gate Project and Reclamation District 1614 completes upgrades to the Wisconsin storm water pump station (anticipated 2021), FEMA will "remap" the Smith Canal area to remove the "high risk" flood zone designation. This will eliminate mandatory flood insurance requirements and building restrictions for approximately 5,000 properties, and prevent approximately 3,000 additional properties from being mapped into a high-risk zone. Property owners will be able to purchase flood insurance at low-risk rates. For more information on the Wisconsin Pump Station Project, visit www.rd1614.com.





Smith Canal Gate Project **WORK HAS BEGUN!**

Construction is Underway

SMITH CANAL GATE PROJECT

AUGUST 2020



Construction on the long-awaited Smith Canal Gate Project is underway. In April 2020, the San Joaquin Area Flood Control Agency Board of Directors awarded a \$49.5 million construction contract to Shimmick Construction, the lowest bidder. Construction crews began mobilizing equipment in May and June. Work began on July 15. Environmental permits only allow for three months of in-water work each year, July 15 through October 15. Due to environmental and other permit conditions, the project will take three construction seasons to complete: 2020, 2021 and 2022.

About the Smith Canal Gate Project

The Smith Canal Gate Project will meet State and Federal standards for flood protection by isolating Smith Canal from the San Joaquin River during high water and tide events. It includes a floodwall along the San Joaquin River between Dad's Point and the eastern boundary of the Stockton Golf & Country Club, tying into the existing Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) accredited levee.

The floodwall will feature a gate to allow for tidal exchange and boat access to Atherton Cove and Smith Canal. The gate will remain open, except during high water and tide events and for periodic testing. Dad's Point will be raised and strengthened to allow certification as a levee.







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Get to Know SJAFCA, RD 1614 & RD 828

The San Joaquin Area Flood Control Agency (SJAFCA) is a Joint Powers Authority created in May 1995 by the City of Stockton, San Joaquin County and the San Joaquin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District. The Cities of Lathrop and Manteca joined SJAFCA in January 2018. SJAFCA's mission is to reduce flood risk for the Cities of Stockton, Lathrop and Manteca and some adjacent unincorporated County areas.

Reclamation Districts 1614 and 828 are responsible for operations and maintenance of levees, pump stations and other flood control facilities in the Smith Canal area.

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