Corps to temporarily close South River Road in April

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Sacramento District is set to close South River Road from mid-April until November 2011, as part of the Sacramento River Bank Protection Project to help reduce flood risk for West Sacramento, Calif.

South River Road is expected to be closed from Marina Green Drive (near Jefferson Boulevard) to Linden Road. Local traffic will be maintained for property access within the road closure section. Through-traffic will be re-directed to Linden Road and Jefferson Boulevard. Detour signs will be posted along the route and road closure notice signs will be posted at least two weeks prior to the closure.

The project is a joint effort between the Corps and the Central Valley Flood Protection Board to strengthen levees along the Sacramento River and its tributaries.

The new levee being constructed will be set back 250 feet from the old levee and will be 15 feet high, 2,200 feet long, and will have a 75 foot deep seepage cutoff wall in its center. The design is intended to widen the river channel to hold more water during a flood or storm, while preserving the wildlife habitat between the old levee and the river.

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