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Dear Board Members:

SUBJECT: El Niño Update, Winter Storm Preparation, and Resolution Declaring the Week of October 19 to 24, 2015, to be California Flood Preparedness Week

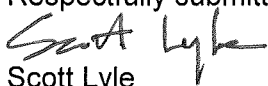
RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the Resolution.

SUMMARY: Given one in five Californians lives in a floodplain and every county in the state has had at least one federally declared flood disaster in the past 20 years, the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) has worked to unite agencies to educate the public about flood risk. The goals of this effort are to increase public awareness of flooding and improve public safety for all Californians. As part of this effort, DWR has declared the week of October 19 to 24, 2015 California Flood Preparedness Week (CFPW), and invites counties to do the same. Therefore it is recommended that the Board adopt the attached resolution declaring this week the 2015 California Flood Preparedness Week.

DWR created a website for CFPW that describes the extreme weather patterns that make California particularly vulnerable to both drought and flooding: http://www.water.ca.gov/floodsafe/ca-flood-preparedness/fpw_home.cfm. To further publicize CFPW, the Marin County Flood Control & Water Conservation District (District) has been working with the Marin County Office of Emergency Services to hold a Flood Preparedness Week Fair on October 24, 2015 from 10am to 2pm at the Marin Exhibition Hall, 10 Avenue of the Flags in San Rafael. The fair, which is free and open to the public, is a great opportunity for residents and businesses to get information on ways to protect their property from flooding and what El Niño means for Marin. For more information on flood preparedness, residents can visit the District's website <http://www.marinwatersheds.org/>.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no fiscal impact.

REVIEWED BY:	[]	Department of Finance	[X]	N/A
	[]	County Counsel	[X]	N/A
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Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment: Resolution

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