



Truckee River Flood Project

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THE HONORABLE JO-ELLEN DARCY, U.S. ARMY'S 11TH ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY FOR CIVIL WORKS, IN RENO WEDNESDAY, MAY 26TH TO VISIT FLOOD PROJECT

Reno, Nevada. May 21, 2010.

At Senator Reid's request, the honorable Jo-Ellen Darcy, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works (ASA), is visiting the Reno/Sparks area on May 26th. The purpose of the visit is to allow the ASA to experience the Truckee River Flood Project and the community first-hand, learn about the Flood Project's unique features and challenges, and to potentially lend her support to facilitating completion of the project plan by the US Army Corps of Engineers (Corps).

ASA Darcy was sworn in October 5th, 2009 as the 11th Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works. In this position, she provides supervision of the Department of the Army functions relating to all aspects of the Corps' Civil Works program.

The media and public are invited to lunch with ASA Darcy as follows:

Lunch Timeframe: Wednesday, May 26, 2010
11:30 am – 12:45 pm

Lunch Location: Grand Sierra Resort in the Silver State Pavilion Room (located inside the Arcade Mall entrance, lower level, to right)
2500 E. 2nd Street, Reno, NV 89595

Cost: \$15.00 per person (to be paid at the Grand Sierra Resort – Silver State Pavilion)

RSVP: Please RSVP by Tuesday, May 25th to Laura Bayer at lbayer@washoecounty.us, 850-7429 or Patrick Winans at pwinans@washoecounty.us, 850-7427.

Flood Project Information: The Truckee River Flood Project is a large, complex project designed to provide flood damage reduction (using a system of levees, floodwalls, terracing, home elevations, bridge raises, etc.), restore 50 miles of the Truckee River's ecosystem, enhance fish passage, and provide additional recreational opportunities. The project is currently estimated to cost \$1.5 billion dollars and is the largest public works project ever undertaken in northern NV. The Corps is expected to contribute approximately 2/3 of the project cost.

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Partners: The Truckee River Flood Project is sponsored by a consortium of Washoe County, the cities of Sparks and Reno, and the University of Nevada, Reno. Other partner organizations include the Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority, Storey County, the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, The Nature Conservancy, and many others. The project is being designed and built in cooperation with the Corps.

Media Opportunities:

- ASA Jo-Ellen Darcy
- USACE Colonel Thomas Chapman (District Engineer for the Sacramento District)
- Flood Project Director Naomi Duerr
- Flood Project Coordinating Committee Chairman – Councilman Ron Smith.

Please note that ASA Darcy's primary availability is at the start of lunch.

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