NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND INTENT TO ADOPT AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED COLUSA-SACRAMENTO RIVER STATE RECREATION AREA GENERAL PLAN DRAFT PROGRAM EIR PROJECT

Date: February 5, 2016

To: Office of Planning and Research

1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

The California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) has directed the preparation of and intends to adopt an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed project, in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and State CEQA Guidelines. DPR is the lead agency for the proposed project under CEQA.

PROJECT LOCATION: Colusa-Sacramento River State Recreation Area, Colusa County

<u>DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT</u>: A General Development Plan for the Park was adopted in 1957. A new General Plan (GP) is necessary to accurately reflect current land ownership, resources conditions, park management and potential opportunities. To determine appropriate uses, DPR underwent a planning process which included evaluating existing conditions and assessing current and potential uses.

DPR has prepared the Colusa-Sacramento River State Recreation Area GP in accordance with Public Resources Code Section 5002.2 referencing GP Guidelines and Section 20111 et seq. concerning CEQA. Consistent with the Public Resources Code, the GP evaluated and defined proposed land uses, facilities, concessions, operation of the unit, resources management, and any potential environmental impacts resulting from implementation of the GP. The GP will serve as the guide for future development, management and operation of the Park.

<u>PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD</u>: The Draft EIR is being circulated for public review and comment for a period of 45 days, beginning February 8, 2016. Questions regarding the project should be directed to Cheryl Essex at One Capitol Mall, Suite 410, Sacramento, CA 95814 or by email at <u>plan.general@parks.ca.gov</u>.

Your views and comments on this project are welcomed. Written comments should be submitted no later than March 24, 2016, to the following address:

Cheryl Essex, California State Parks One Capitol Mall, Suite 410 Sacramento, CA 95814 Copies of the Draft EIR may be reviewed at the following locations during normal business hours:

California Department of Parks & Recreation One Capitol Mall, Suite 410, Sacramento, CA 95814

> Colusa County Public Library 738 Market Street, Colusa, CA 95932

Williams Branch Public Library 901 East Street, Williams, CA 95987

> Colusa City Hall 425 Webster Street Colusa, CA 95932

Online: www.parks.ca.gov/ColusaGP

<u>PUBLIC MEETING</u>: A public meeting to approve the proposed Colusa-Sacramento River State Recreation Area General Plan / Program EIR project has not yet been scheduled. A notice will be distributed when the public meeting is scheduled.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION: This notice will be published in the Colusa County Sun Herald on February 17, 2016.