

Coyote Valley Dam General Investigation Study October Update



- **USACE Activities**

- USACE feasibility study remains paused pending additional federal funding; IWPC continues evaluating whether the traditional feasibility study can resume if funding becomes available and current study constraints can be addressed

- **Sponsor Activities**

- IWPC is refining three paths to advance the Coyote Valley Dam raise: the traditional USACE feasibility study, a non-federally led feasibility study, and congressional authorization based on the 1950s Chief of Engineers Report
- IWPC has retained a federal lobbyist to provide federal policy support
- In the upcoming months, the Ad Hoc Committee will coordinate with IWPC's existing partners and align federal messaging, schedule meetings with USACE leadership, monitor and support the FY27 funding request, and prepare for an early 2027 Washington, D.C. visit.

- **Funding Outlook**

- The FY27 President's budget did not include funding for the study
- Rep. Huffman selected the Coyote Valley Dam GI Study for FY27 Community Project Funding consideration
- The project is included in the House FY27 Energy and Water Development Community Project Funding bill



Coyote Valley Dam General Investigation Study Background



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- Study authorized by Section 1201(3) of the Water Resources Development Act of 2016 (PL 114-322).
- Feasibility Cost Sharing Agreement signed March 31, 2025
 - MCIWPC and Lytton Rancheria are joint non-Federal sponsors
 - Includes \$658,000 credit for Tribal participation.
 - Establishes \$3,000,000 budget cost-shared 50% Fed / 50% Non-Fed minus Tribal credit.
 - Local Agreement between MCIWPC and Lytton signed March 19, 2025.
- Federal Appropriations History:
 - FY 2024 = \$500,000
 - FY 2025 = \$0
 - FY 2026 = \$0
 - FY 2027 = TBD
- Completed Activities:
 - NEPA interagency kickoff meeting conducted June 26, 2025; additional scoping will resume once additional federal funds are received.
 - Series of meetings (charettes) held July 2025 to identify study problems and opportunities and begin documenting existing and future conditions.
 - Coyote Valley Dam site visit occurred August 5, 2025.

Study Area

