

CALFED Bay - Delta Program
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Date: October 17, 1995
To: Victor Pacheco
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Subject: Comments on Category List from Public Workshop No. 3

Here is a summary of workshop comments regarding revisions to the list of action categories:

Action Categories to Restore Habitat (J. Kishel notes)

- o Incorporate "Threatened and Endangered Species Recovery" into other habitat restoration categories because it seems to involve only data collection

JSA Recommendation: do not delete this category because it is intended to include implementation actions to benefit species populations.

- o Incorporate "Establishment of Integrated Habitat Management Programs" into other habitat restoration categories because it seems to involve only preparation of plans

JSA Recommendation: do not delete this category because it is intended to include implementation of coordinated actions to benefit multiple habitats and species populations throughout the Bay-Delta system.

Action Categories to Reduce Diversions of Important In-Stream Flows (J. Lang Notes)

- o Restrict "Fish Passage and Migration Improvements" to only physical improvements and encompass flow improvements in "Delta Inflow/Outflow/Export Management"

JSA Recommendation: agree

- o Include "Modification of Diversion Timing Patterns" in "Delta Inflow/Outflow/Export Management"

JSA Recommendation: do not merge these categories because timing of

diversions can be modified independently of management of Delta inflow/outflow/export and could possibly be done at diversions other than the Delta export pumps (e.g. agricultural diversions within Delta, PGandE power plants, GCID) ✓

- o Rename "Increased Diversion Capacity" to "increased Delta diversion capacity" and restrict to only increases in diversion rate, not diversion volume ✓

JSA Recommendation: agree

Action Categories to Reduce Entrainment Effects of Diversions (L. Bottorff Notes)

- o Add a new category entitled "elimination of in-Delta agricultural diversions"

JSA Recommendation: do not need to add a new category because changes in in-Delta agricultural diversions are covered under "Modification of Diversion Timing Patterns", "Fish Screens", and "Changes in Locations of Diversions" (e.g. consolidation and screening of in-Delta diversions) ✓

- o Add a new category entitled "change location of diversions to be more effective" ✓

JSA Recommendation: do not need to add a new category because this type of action is covered under "Changes in Locations of Diversions"

- o Separate "Fish Hatchery and Harvest Management" into different categories ✓

JSA Recommendation: agree

Action Categories to Manage Needs for Delta Exports (L. Bottorff Notes)

- o Include "Water Transfers" in the Demand Management grouping

JSA Recommendation: do not agree because "Water Transfers" are a means to increase predictability of supplies for south-of-Delta urban and environmental users ✓

- o Delete all categories in the Demand Management grouping except "Desalination" ✓

JSA Recommendation: do not agree for reasons offered by Lester Snow during the group discussion (see pink group notes)

- o Add new categories for "demand management in the Delta", "demand management in upstream areas", and "demand management in export areas"

JSA Recommendation: do not agree because the important distinction pertains to actions to manage needs for exports from the Delta, not whether the demand management is in-Delta or upstream of the Delta ✓

- o Add a new category for "institutional actions to reduce cost of other demand management actions"

JSA Recommendation: do not agree because not clear understanding of actions to be encompassed in this new category

Action Categories to Enhance Water Supplies (J. Lang Notes)

- o Recombine "Construction and Improvement of Conveyance Facilities" and "Delta Channel Modifications" into "Construction of Isolated Transfer Facilities" and "Improvement of Through-Delta Conveyance" } no

JSA Recommendation: agree

no

Action Categories to Increase Supply Predictability (C. Stevens Notes)

- o Combine "Establishment of Institution for Integrated Long-Term Water Management" and "Integration of Land-Use and Water-Supply Planning" because they are linked. Also combine these with Demand Management

JSA Recommendation: do not agree because these categories represent distinguishable actions that will be evident when the category descriptions are available ✓

Action Categories for Managing Water Quality (J. Kishel Notes)

- o No information on suggested changes to these categories ✓

Action Categories for Improving System Reliability (C. Stevens Notes)

- o Combine "Reduction in Land Subsidence", "Levee Maintenance and Stabilization", and "Flood Protection Improvement"

JSA Recommendation: do not agree because these categories represent types of actions that will have meaningful distinctions at the programmatic level of analysis ✓

- o Separate "Reduction in Land Subsidence" into categories for "island flooding to reduce subsidence" and "filling islands with dredged material" WT

JSA Recommendation: do not agree because this category encompasses these two specific means to reduce subsidence as well as others that are closely related ✓

- o Change name of "Reduction in Land Subsidence" to "controlling land subsidence" ✓

JSA Recommendation: agree

- o Include "Reduction of Seismic Hazards" in "Flood Protection Improvement" ✓

JSA Recommendation: agree

- o Include "Protection and Rerouting of Infrastructure" in "Levee Maintenance and Stabilization" ✓

JSA Recommendation: agree