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To: CALFED Members
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Subject: CALFED Bay-Delta Program Draft Purpose and Need Statement and Draft Notice of Intent/Notice of Preparation

The enclosed drafts are provided for your review as discussed at our last CALFED Executive Session. We intend to go over both drafts and associated schedules in our upcoming meeting. CALFED staff also will receive copies of the drafts. Please contact Rick Breitenbach, at (916) 657-2666 if you have any questions.

CALFED staff reviewed the initial draft of the Purpose and Need. Additionally, we created a small ad-hoc group of CALFED staff to help us with our redraft. Changes made to the statement include:

- the "Background" section was expanded to clarify the program origin;
- the "Purpose" statement was refocused on the primary objectives; and
- the "Need" statement was expanded and linkages stressed.

This is everyone's first look at the Notice of Intent/Notice of Preparation (NOI/NOP). The format is required by the Federal Register. We anticipate sending it to the Federal Register around March 1, 1996 with a printing date of about March 12, 1996. The NOI/NOP will be distributed to the public and media the date it is published in the Federal Register.

Enclosures

CALFED Agencies

California

The Resources Agency
Department of Fish and Game
Department of Water Resources
California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board

Federal

Environmental Protection Agency
Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service
Bureau of Reclamation
Department of Commerce
National Marine Fisheries Service