

Response to Comments Made By
Sacramento River Council
Letter Dated November 27, 1992

Comment #1

Comment concerned "fast-tracking" the project in order to accelerate completion of the final project. Reclamation has established a very ambitious schedule with first consideration being operations to begin in time for the winter-run for fall/winter of 1994. Reclamation would like to assure you that every opportunity to shorten the planning and construction process has been taken, and will continue to be taken as the project progresses.

Comments #2 and #3

We have noted your additional comments and suggestions for the final Environmental Assessment (FEA) concerning the addition of stronger language regarding decline of the winter-run and water quality (i.e., water temperature at Red Bluff). Reclamation has reviewed and considered your suggestions and concurs with your comment that the water could become cooler. We have made wording changes to reflect the spirit of your comment but did not quote you verbatim.

Comment #4

Regarding your mention of the small group facilitated meetings on the Red Bluff Fish Passage Program, attached is the report on the meetings which was prepared and issued by the neutral facilitator, CDR Associates. The report summarizes the discussions and the outcome of the meetings. As explained in the summary, Reclamation's aim was to include representatives of various interest groups in the discussions. The participating groups were:

Nat Bingham	Pacific Coast Federation of Fisherman's Association
Robert Bosworth	Former member, Shasta Co. Board of Supervisors
Jack Campbell	Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority
Robert Clark	Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District
Jud Ellinwood	California Salmon Steelhead & Trout Restoration Federation
Bill Gaines	California Waterfowl Association
Winifred Jones	Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority
Jo Ann Landingham	Tehama-County Supervisor
John Merz	Sacramento River Preservation Trust
Shel Meyer	Norcal Fishing Guides & Sportsman Association
Dick Pool	United Anglers of California
John Stouffer	Tehama County Planning Department
Bill Treat	Red Bluff-Tehama County Chamber of Commerce
Ron Vickery	Tehama-Colusa Canal Water Users Association
John Yingling	Red Bluff-Tehama County Chamber of Commerce

We believe the interests of the Sacramento River Council (SRC) were represented as evidenced by the report. Further, the SRC and the public at large will have opportunities in the future to discuss the information and issues exchanged in the December meetings. These opportunities will be part of the public involvement program currently being drafted for the next phase of work on the Red Bluff Fish Passage Program.