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BAY-DELTA MODELING FORUM

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Date: August 25, 1994
To: Bay-Delta Modeling Forum Participants
From: Greg Gartrell, Convener *Greg*
Subject: Bay-Delta Modeling Forum Update

I am circulating this update to inform you of the Bay-Delta Modeling Forum's current and planned activities, and to urge you to formally join the Forum.

The Bay-Delta Modeling Forum Steering Committee has been active since the formal organization of the Forum on March 11. Key activities include: 1) the current membership drive, 2) the establishment of standing committees, 3) the establishment and endowment by Lyle Hoag of a Hugo B. Fischer Award to be administered by the Forum, 4) upcoming workshops and the annual meeting.

Memberships

The Forum urges you to continue your active participation by formally joining. When you join, you will ensure that you will continue to be informed about upcoming Forum events, including Technical Workshops, Peer Review activities and the status of the model clearinghouse that will be established with the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

The Forum has established a \$30 annual membership fee for individuals and a \$500 fee for organizations. The enclosed brochure provides a means for you to join as an individual member. The Forum will be sending letters to organizations urging them to join. If you would prefer to have your organization join, please contact me or Rich Satkowski. The Forum will also be seeking additional funding from organizations that wish to further aid the Forum's activities. Please contact me, Rich Satkowski or any other officer if your organization is willing to provide additional funding.

Standing Committees

On May 13, the Steering Committee named chairs for the following standing and ad-hoc committees. Please contact the chairs if you would like to participate.

Peer Review Committee: Chaired by Wim Kimmerer, this committee will establish the procedures for peer reviews. The first peer review will be conducted on the flow-salinity relationships developed primarily by Richard Denton at Contra Costa Water District.

Technical Committee: Chaired by Steve Monismith, this committee will facilitate Technical Workshops. It has also been designated to establish the procedures for awarding the Hugo B. Fischer Award.

Memberships Committee: Chaired by Rich Satkowski, this committee is responsible for membership activities.

Stakeholders Committee: Chaired by Randall Neudeck, this committee is responsible for maintaining a liaison with stakeholders in the Bay-Delta system.

Consensus Project Ad-Hoc Committee: Chaired by George Barnes, this ad-hoc committee is responsible for tracking the Consensus Project activities.

Hugo B. Fischer Award

The Steering Committee has unanimously accepted a gracious offer by Lyle Hoag to endow an annual award, to be administered by the Bay-Delta Modeling Forum, in memory of Hugo B. Fischer. The award will be given annually for outstanding achievement in a professional area within the scope of the Forum and for either (a) development, refinement or innovative application of a computer model, or (b) furtherance of the effective use of models in planning or regulatory functions. The Technical Committee has been charged with developing the criteria for annual selection.

Upcoming Activities

Workshops: The Technical Committee is now preparing for workshops on the following topics:

- 1) Transport of Pollutants in the South Bay, October 6, Palo Alto Cultural Center
- 2) Status and update on X2 - Abundance investigations, statistics and related topics, October 20, Contra Costa Water District.
- 3) Bay-Delta Salinity Transport, November, 1994
- 4) Statewide Operations Models, Late 1994 or early 1995
- 5) Bay-Delta Data Availability and Needs, February 1995
- 6) Topics related to Salmon Survival, March 1995 (possibly at the annual meeting)

Annual Meeting: The annual meeting has been scheduled for integration with the annual IEP meeting in Asilomar, March 8-10, 1995.

Enclosures: Brochure on Bay-Delta Modeling Forum Membership
Bay-Delta Modeling Forum Bylaws
Workshop Notices

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