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To: BDAC Ecosystem Restoration Members and Invited Participants

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Subject: ERPP Implementation Strategy Framework: Draft Outline of ERPP Strategic Plan

The Scientific Review Panel and stakeholders strongly recommend that CALFED prepare an ERPP Strategic Plan. To accomplish this task, an informal agency and stakeholder steering committee has offered CALFED a draft outline for the Strategic Plan. CALFED would like this outline to be a joint product finalized and agreed upon by CALFED, the steering committee, and the Ecosystem Restoration Work Group. CALFED comments have not been reviewed by the steering committee but are included in highlighted text on the outline to generate discussion at the Work Group meeting. The draft outline is attached for your review and comment.

The purpose of the Strategic Plan is to articulate a planning and scientific framework to refine the three Volumes of the ERPP and to ensure successful implementation of the ERPP. The Strategic Plan will reorganize and augment the ERPP Volume III working draft. In addition, the Strategic Plan will accomplish the following:

- integrate the ERPP Science Program;
- enable CALFED, agencies, stakeholders and ecosystem restoration specialists to collaboratively address outstanding scientific, technical, logistical and socio-political issues;
- improve the organization and presentation of the ERPP and;
- ensure consistency and integration with the CALFED Common Programs, the Restoration Coordination efforts, the ESA conservation strategy, the Assurances Package, and the preferred alternative.

Successful implementation of the ERPP is dependent on the continual scientific and stakeholder review process defined in the Strategic Plan. The formal scientific review component, the ERPP Science Program, is described in the accompanying outline. Since completion of the Strategic Plan will involve numerous participants and new work products over this year, it is essential to convey the strategic planning methodology outline in as much detail as possible for the release of the draft Programmatic EIR/EIS in February 1998. The strategic planning methodology will describe the process taken to complete the strategic plan using specific examples. ERPP staff will develop the Strategic Plan with the help of experts recruited to form a Drafting Team. The Drafting Team and staff will facilitate a diverse group of participants from academia, agencies, stakeholder groups involved in the development of the Strategic Plan.

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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  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Department of Agriculture  
Natural Resources Conservation Service  
Department of Commerce  
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