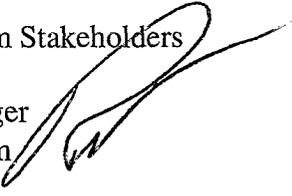


Memorandum

Date: December 18, 1996

To: Water Quality Program Stakeholders

From: Rick Woodard, Manager
Water Quality Program 

Subject: December 9, 1996 Meeting

I regret you were unable to attend the December 9, 1996 meeting of the Water Quality Technical Group (WQTG). The meeting was eventful, and your participation would have enriched our deliberations. We are tentatively planning two events for which I hope you will be able to join us. These are: 1) a public workshop on **February 4, 1996**, and 2) the next meeting of the WQTG on **February 14, 1996**.

Attached for your review and comment are the materials from the December 9, 1996 meeting. One of the primary purposes of the meeting was to solicit your suggestions for specific projects you believe should be considered for early implementation. At the meeting, we received valuable suggestions for early implementation projects from stakeholders representing the broad categories of mine drainage, urban and industrial runoff, agricultural drainage, water and wastewater treatment, and watershed coordination. However, it was generally agreed that representation in the areas of urban and industrial runoff, water and wastewater treatment, and watershed coordination needed to be further broadened.

Although the project list resulting from the meeting is extensive (about 100 projects were suggested), we want to be certain any projects you believe may be good candidates for early implementation are considered. You are, therefore, urged to give the matter your attention. Please provide us with your suggestions, using copies of the attached form. We need these suggestions, along with any other comments, by **January 10, 1997**. Any candidate project for early implementation will be subject to an evaluation of technical, economic, financial, and institutional feasibility. Also, any early implementation project will be subject to California Environmental Quality Act requirements.

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

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While no selection criteria have yet been adopted, I anticipate that water quality projects selected for early implementation will be a few that most benefit the quality of Bay-Delta estuary waters, have been well studied, and are ready to be implemented but for lack of resources. Although not all of the suggested projects can be implemented in the near future, all will be considered over the years of the CALFED process.

If you have any questions, please call me at (916) 653-5422, or Judy Heath at (916) 653-2994. I look forward to seeing you at the February 4 workshop and the February 14 meeting.

Attachments