

**Conservation Strategy Team
Meeting
November 17, 1998
10:00am-4:00pm**

Purpose of Meeting: To address the tasks and schedule for development of species conservation matrices for the Conservation Strategy.

Expected Outcome of Meeting: To develop an approach for creating and reviewing conservation matrices and for presenting summary data from matrices.

Agenda Items:

1. CALFED post-election news items (Marti, Mike) (10-10:30)
2. Process for identifying, selecting, and describing program actions for analysis (10:30-11:00)
3. Structure and content of matrices and summary tables desired for report (11:00-12:00)
4. Review materials, process, and schedule for review of matrices (1:00-2:00)
5. Spatial analysis using GIS in support of conservation matrices (2:00-2:30)
6. Schedule for development of species matrices (2:30-3:00)
7. Process for CALFED adopting recommended conservation measures into CALFED programs (3:00-3:30)
8. Next meeting topic and date (3:30-3:45)

Agenda Item #2: Process for identifying, selecting, and describing program actions for analysis

- Program actions that will be analyzed in PEIR/EIS for:
 1. Water Quality Program
 2. Water Transfers Program
 3. Coordinated Watershed Program
 4. Water Use Efficiency Program
 5. Levee System Integrity Program
 6. ERP
 7. Conveyance
 8. Storage
 9. Operations

- Issues/Responsibilities:
 1. Iteration of program actions to be analyzed
 - o will concurrence of program managers be required?
 - o do we need to identify a process for how the analysis will be modified accomodate future changes/additions/deletions in program actions

 2. Process for screening program documents to identify actions and criteria for determining which actions should be included/excluded from further analysis in CS
 - o who will do?
 - o is a review process needed for concurrence of program managers?

 3. Bundling of program actions into summary outcomes
 - o who will do?
 - o what is review process for how actions are bundled (is concurrence of program managers required?)

- Stage 1 actions
 1. Level of analysis

 2. Need and process for dovetailing Stage 1 actions descriptions with specific actions described in program documents

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Agenda Item #3: Structure and content of matrices and summary tables desired for report

Early identification of report tables and formats is necessary for ensuring efficient use of the database in support of the analysis and report preparation.

- Species Matrix Structure
 1. Changes to existing header text?
 2. Need for additional columns/information?
 3. Columns/rows that may be unnecessary to purpose of matrices?
 4. Level of detail by column?
 - o effects/take estimates
 - o conservation measures

- Species Matrix Tables
 1. Separate reports for Stage 1 and other program actions?
 2. Separate reports by programs?

- Other Potential Report Tables
 1. Habitat related
 2. Species related
 3. Action related
 4. Outcome related
 5. Conservation measure related

Agenda Item #4: Review materials, process, and schedule for review of matrices

- Overall schedule and objectives of reviews
- Species review assignments
- Workshops to explain matrices, review process, and review products
 1. Scheduling
 2. CS team participants
- Information to be reviewed or necessary for reviews?
 1. Matrices
 2. Action descriptions (tailored to species?)
 3. Species/Habitat matrix?
 4. Distribution of species by ecological zone?
 5. Species account information?
- Level of review for conservation measures
 - o e.g., mitigation ratios, etc.
- Process for responding to review comments

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Agenda Item #5: Spatial analysis using GIS in support of conservation matrices

- Budget and task order for spatial analysis
- Coordination of data development/aquisition with UCD (timing!)
- Incorporating results of spatial analysis into matrices

Agenda Item #6: Schedule for development of species matrices

- Schedule for 50 Delta species matrices
- Priority species and schedule for next set of matrices
- Schedule for spatial analysis
- Schedule for final program action descriptions
- Schedule for camera ready of the public draft conservation strategy