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Subject: CALFED Multi-species Conservation Strategy Weekly Report

This weekly report summarizes the Policy Team meeting held on Monday 3/22/99.

SERVICE-AREA IMPACTS: Mary Scoonover is preparing a written description of CALFED's proposals for dealing with service-area impacts. CALFED wants the Conservation Strategy to contain a mechanism for dealing with service-area impacts, but not to assume that all CALFED actions will in fact have service-area impacts. CALFED expects that costs will be spread among those who benefit from a specific action; if the action has no service-area impacts, then there should be no money for mitigation of service-area impacts included in the funding proposals.

USFWS and CDFG are reviewing the Section 7 analysis of indirect and service-area impacts continued in the EIS/EIR. If it is not adequate, they will contact CALFED immediately.

ADDITION OF WATER-STORAGE SITES: JSA will provide species lists for the reservoir sites outside of the current geographic scope of the Multi-species Conservation Strategy by 4/2/99, for inclusion in the administrative draft EIS/EIR. The supporting appendices will be prepared by 4/30/99. USFWS and CDFG are working to supply information to CALFED that can be used to eliminate reservoir sites on biological grounds. If sites can be eliminated immediately, it will reduce the extra effort needed. CALFED will not include the groundwater storage sites in the Multi-species Conservation Strategy, since they are too poorly defined at this point.

ASSURANCES: As of 3/22/99, no one had prepared any responses to Ron Rempel's paper on assurances, so subcommittee of the Policy Team will meet on 3/31/99 to develop the assurances. It was agreed that there needs to be a clear description of the linkage between assurances and implementation of certain actions, especially establishing the EWA and carrying out the ERP. To include in the assurances discussion, Dana Jacobsen will write a description about what would cause reinitiation of the consultation.

UP-COMING MEETINGS

The Staff Team will meet:

Tuesday	March 30, 1999	9 AM to Noon	Resources Building Room 804	Call-in Number (916)
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Tuesday	April 20, 1999	9 AM to Noon	??
Tuesday	May 11, 1999	9 AM to Noon	??
Tuesday	May 25, 1999	9 AM to Noon	??

The Assurances Subcommittee of the Policy Team will meet:

Wednesday	March 31, 1999	8 - 10 AM	3310 El Camino
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The Policy Team will meet:

Friday	April 2, 1999	9 - 11 AM	Resources Building
Tuesday	April 13, 1999	1 - 3 PM	Resources Building

Room 1142??

Note: The report was sent on Thursday because my computer and email will be out of service most of Friday.