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**Tracy Fish Test Facility Summary**

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The new Tracy Fish Test Facility (TFTF) project is a pioneering research effort designed to screen 500 cfs of water in the South Delta, CA, at a screen approach velocity of 0.2 fps. TFTF will include new developments for fish screening, holding, sorting, and transporting in a challenging environment influenced by tides, debris loads, and a fish community comprised of 51 species. Endangered, threatened, native and non-native species are involved. TFTF will contribute to the goals of fishery restoration programs including the Anadromous Fish Restoration Program of the Central Valley Project Improvement Act and the CALFED Bay-Delta Program, which includes assurances of meeting water delivery agreements while protecting fish under modern fish protection criteria.

A multi-agency program is underway to assist design, construction and evaluations of TFTF, with the Bureau of Reclamation as the lead. Construction of TFTF should be completed by fall, 2002, to be followed by an initial 3-4 year evaluation and testing program. Plans are to locate the TFTF immediately north of the existing Tracy Fish Collection Facility. The TFTF may remain as a research/technology development facility long after the initial testing is completed, or TFTF may eventually be incorporated into the long-term Tracy fish salvage program. TFTF is planned to also provide timely information on critical issues related to new fish protection facilities for the State of California's diversion at Clifton Court Forebay. Following initial findings, CALFED plans to assist development of a larger module (2500 cfs) for Clifton Court.