

May 19, 1998

Dear Fish Facilities Team Member

I have been asked to organize a one day meeting of the CALFED Interagency Fish Facilities Team, for the week of June 15-19, 1998. I would suggest Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday to allow for travel needs. Please respond with your availability, so we can schedule the meeting.

Enclosed please find a copy of the CALFED "Phase II Interim Report," for your reading pleasure. As you can see, three alternatives have been chosen for more detailed work. We have been asked to consider four issues associated with diversions in the Delta:

- How would we stage the construction of a new south Delta intake and fish screen complex? How big should the first stage be? What are the advantages and disadvantages related to fish facilities of locating the screens on a canal leading from the San Joaquin River to the pumps?
- How would we stage the construction of a new intake and fish screen on the Sacramento River. Again, how big should a first stage be?
- Would multiple intakes (three proposed) provide any significant benefit on the Sacramento River? This could be one approach to staging the Sacramento River intake.
- What is the feasibility of having the first stage a Sacramento River to Mokelumne connection, while providing for the option of extending the connection to Clifton Court Forebay (an isolated facility) at a later date?
- Is a 500cfs test facility in the south Delta capable of providing meaningful information to the program, and would that information be of sufficient value to merit postponing action on a first stage facility for five years?

Finally, CALFED staff would like us to review conceptual plans for a diversion to off-stream storage from the Sacramento River, above Sacramento. This is outside the purview of our original charge, so I would like to ascertain your willingness to participate with this expansion in the scope of the assignment. Thank you for your prompt attention to this material, I look forward to hearing from you soon. You can call me at 916-654-2731, or send me e-mail at:

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Sincerely,



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Enclosure

CALFED Agencies

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Department of Water Resources
California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board

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Environmental Protection Agency
Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service
Bureau of Reclamation
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Natural Resources Conservation Service
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