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To : CALFED

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Subject: General update and information packet for public workshop

Attached are several items to provide you with an update of CALFED Bay-Delta Program activities and to prepare you for the upcoming meeting on August 17, 1995.

- **Cover letter and information packet for the first public workshop**

The first CALFED Bay-Delta Program public workshop will be held on August 3, 1995 in Sacramento, CA at the Red Lion Hotel, 2001 Point West Way. Notices have been sent to a large mailing list and these information packets have been provided to a smaller targeted group. Information packets were also provided to key agency staff identified by the CALFED Bay-Delta Program staff and included those staff who have been actively participating in various activities associated with CALFED. BDAC members have also been encouraged to attend these workshops to gain further insight into problems and to gain an appreciation of the public views and expectations relating to the process. If you would like more information about the workshop, please contact Sharon Gross.

We will provide summary materials resulting from the August 3 workshop before the next CALFED meeting and will discuss the results at the August 17 meeting. We are hopeful that this workshop will provide the first opportunity for the public to become involved in this ongoing collaborative process and set the stage for productive workshops in the future.

**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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- **Draft agendas**

The next BDAC meeting will be held on August 16, at the Capital Plaza Holiday Inn in Sacramento. The CALFED meeting (Executive and Public Sessions) will be held on August 17, in Room 1131 in the Resources Building. If you have items to add to these draft agendas, please contact Sharon Gross.

- **Materials from the June 29 BDAC meeting**

A brief summary of the June 29, 1995 BDAC meeting is attached and has been previously distributed to BDAC members. The first BDAC meeting was productive and all but one of the BDAC members attended. Also attached are a statement and several other items provided to BDAC members by Tom Graff at the meeting and an updated list of BDAC members. Gary Widman has resigned from BDAC upon accepting a position with the State and Glenn Olson, National Audubon Society, has been recently added.

At the Executive Session meeting on August 17, we plan to discuss several very important issues including:

- Co-lead status of agencies for the NEPA/CEQA environmental documentation;
- Agency Staff participation in the CALFED Bay-Delta Program process for technical review and participation on ad-hoc workgroups;
- Level of detail for each Phase of the environmental documentation process; and
- An overview of the South Delta project.

It has been suggested that we consider making a formal announcement and/or press release at the CALFED public session, concerning the signing of the Category III MOU and funding for the first 8 projects. If CALFED agencies are comfortable with this approach, we would like to make the necessary arrangements. Please advise me of your inclination concerning this matter as soon as possible.

Attachments