

COMPLETED CATEGORY III NEAR-TERM PROJECTS

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Battle Creek Restoration Proposal

Proponent:	Department of Fish and Game	
Project cost:	\$1,000,000	
Funding commitment:	Category III	\$500,000
	CVPIA	\$500,000

Description:

Historically, Battle Creek produced large populations of salmon, including spring-run and some number of winter-run chinook and steelhead. Currently, upper Battle Creek is incapable of sustaining the production of chinook salmon and steelhead primarily as a result of the cumulative removal of over 95 percent of the base streamflow by Pacific Gas and Electric's complex network of unscreened canals operated for hydroelectric power production. A total of \$500,000 of Category III funds was earmarked as a commitment to future negotiations.

Status:

Category III funds were set aside to indicate the Category III Steering Committee's commitment to work with Pacific Gas and Electric and Department of Fish and Game to develop a restoration plan for anadromous fish populations in Battle Creek. This commitment partially resulted in Pacific Gas and Electric foregoing power production at a facility in the Battle Creek watershed in 1995, thereby leaving sufficient runoff in a segment of Battle Creek that provides salmonid habitat. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has agreed to compensate PG&E for its actions. No Category III funds were used to achieve these fishery improvements.

Keswick Spawning Gravel Restoration

Proponent: Department of Fish and Game
Estimated project cost: \$52,500
Funding commitment:
CVPIA \$39,400
Department of Fish and Game \$13,100
Category III (backup) \$13,100

Description:

This project consists of transporting and dumping 7,000 tons of gravel owned by Department of Fish and Game into the Sacramento River below Keswick Dam to improve chinook salmon spawning.

Status:

Project was completed by the Department of Fish and Game with no expenditures of Category III funds.

Parrott-Phelan Dam Fish Ladder

Proponent: Wildlife Conservation Board
Estimated project cost: \$418,000
Funding commitment:
Wildlife Conservation Board \$318,000
CVPIA up to \$100,000
Category III (backup) up to \$100,000

Description:

This project consists of constructing a fish ladder on Parrott-Phelan Dam to assist upstream passage of adult spring-run chinook salmon in Butte Creek.

Status:

The fish ladder was completed with no expenditures of Category III funds.