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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL WORKS

SUBJECT: CALFED Initiative Memorandum of Agreement

This is in response to your April 28, 1997, memorandum concerning the Army Corps of Engineers participation in the CALFED initiative. Specifically, your memorandum addressed the draft Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) that, if signed, would formally make the Corps a CALFED partner.

As I have discussed with the CALFED members, I believe that the Corps should be a formal partner in the initiative given the considerable water resources and regulatory involvement of the Corps in the Bay/Delta area. We have numerous ongoing studies and hundreds of permit actions that make us a vital part of any comprehensive solution. I also appreciate the concerns raised in your memorandum that all ongoing projects and permits not be stopped pending completion of the CALFED Record of Decision.

Please inform the South Pacific Division that I intend to sign the MOA. Mr. Michael Davis, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Legislation will be the Army policy level contact for the CALFED initiative. Please designate a member of your staff to assist Mr. Davis in this effort. Please contact Mr. Davis with the details and a proposed schedule for signing the MOA.

Your evaluation of the MOA is appreciated. We look forward to working with you and the Corps staff on this important Administration initiative.

H. Martin Lancaster
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