

**Policy Group  
April 2, 1998  
Restoration Coordination Program Presentation**

**Issue:** The USBR and USFWS recently requested that the Restoration Coordination Program consider funding 45 specific projects, for a total of \$22 million, which USBR and USFWS were not able to fund through CVPIA.

This request has been considered by the Ecosystem Roundtable who requested technical advise. The technical panel met this week and recommended funding for eight of the projects for a total of \$2.5 million. These eight projects have already received either 1997 or 1998 CALFED ecosystem restoration funding, and without additional funds, they are at risk of not being completed. This technical recommendation will be presented to the Ecosystem Roundtable on April 10 for consideration.

<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Previously funded by CALFED</b>	<b>CVPIA Short-fall</b>	<b>Focused Grant Area</b>
Butte Creek Acquisition (McAmis) (G218)	\$186,128	\$125,000	Floodplain Acquisition
Lower Mill Creek Riparian Restoration (G292)	\$69,000	\$29,730	Floodplain Acquisition
Stanislaus River Channel Restoration (Willms) (H126)	\$1,037,899	\$1,037,899	Fish Passage
Tuolumne River Setback Levees (Mining Reach) (H136)	\$2,801,000	\$655,700	Fish Passage
Deer Creek Watershed Planning (F237)	\$196,554	\$80,000	Watershed
Butte Creek Watershed Planning (F221-225)	\$294,000	\$95,500	Watershed
Saeltzer Dam Fish Passage (Clear Creek) (A108)	\$238,200	\$150,000	Fish Passage
Battle Creek Screens/Passage (A194)	\$395,000	\$395,000	Fish Passage
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$5,217,781</b>	<b>\$2,568,829</b>	

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends that the funding amounts for the proposal solicitation package be reduced and that funding be provided for the eight projects pending recommendations by the Ecosystem Roundtable. Therefore, the Floodplain Acquisition focused grant would decrease from \$14,000,000 to \$13,845,270, the Fish Passage focused grant would decrease from \$8,000,000 to \$5,761,401, and the Watershed Planning focused grant would decrease from \$1,550,000 to \$1,374,500.

**Issue:** In response to the 1997 Request for Proposals, DWR submitted a proposal for \$13 million to complete subsidence research on Twitchell Island, design and construct large restoration projects, and acquire Bradford Island. The Integration Panel was interested in funding the subsidence research and some of the restoration tasks, but did not want to fund the entire project. The proposal budget did not contain sufficient detail to determine the exact amount of funding needed for the tasks recommended for approval. As part of the January 1998 proposal selection and approval process, the DWR proposal was approved by the Policy Group at \$3 million, contingent upon receiving an acceptable revised workplan which identified costs for the tasks.

The applicant has revised the scope of work and asked that the project be funded at \$3,993,000. Staff brought the revised scope to the Integration Panel, who have recommended that two longer-term planning actions be deleted, and the project be funded at \$3,583,000. The additional \$583,000 will be taken from the Proposition 204 contingency fund. This recommendation will be presented to the Ecosystem Roundtable at their April 10 meeting.

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends that the DWR Twitchell Island proposal be funded at \$3,583,000.