

**CALFED Bay-Delta Program
Options for Completing Phase II
Draft Preferred Alternative 12/15/98 - Final 11/00**

- ◆ CALFED releases a Draft Preferred Alternative Decision Document on 12/15/98.
- ◆ A Revised Draft Programmatic EIS/EIR would be prepared in 1999 and a Final Programmatic EIS/EIR would be prepared in 2000.
- ◆ The Revised Draft Programmatic EIS/EIR would be rewritten.
- ◆ The existing 12 alternatives would be reduced to 3.
- ◆ The 3 optimized alternatives and the Preferred Alternative would be analyzed and described in detail using updated/new modeling and impact analysis.
- ◆ The Revised Draft would be substantially more readable and usable.
- ◆ Project specific environmental analysis for first year Stage 1 actions would be initiated as a separate but parallel function.
- ◆ Additional staff and financial resources would be required for both the programmatic and project specific work.

Schedule

12/15/98	Complete Draft Preferred Alternative Decision Document, Program Plan Summaries including Finance, Implementation and Assurances, Summary of Regulatory Compliance including ESA/404 etc., Summary of Response to Comments and Summary Mitigation Monitoring Plan.
3/31/99	End informal public comment period and public workshops
12/15/99	Release Revised Draft Programmatic EIS/EIR
3/31/00	End formal public comment period and public hearings
11/2/00	Release Final Programmatic EIS/EIR
12/3/00	Record of Decision/Notice of Determination and Findings. End Phase II