



Memorandum

Date: April 4, 1996

To: Program Coordinating Team
Extended Review Team

From: Steve Yaeger, Program Deputy Director
CALFED Bay-Delta Program

Subject: Program Coordination /Extended Review Team Meeting (PCT/ERT)

I have enclosed for your review a draft copy of several work products which will be the subject of our next PCT/ERT meeting on Wednesday, April 10 (9:00 a.m. in room 1142). The enclosed work products include:

- Summary of comments on Alternatives from 3/22 PCT/ERT meeting
- Progress Report which is being distributed for the upcoming Scoping meetings
- Modified Core Action Descriptions for vulnerability actions and water transfer actions
- A discussion of the Strategies utilized to array actions to produce solution alternatives
- Operational storylines for each of the ten alternatives
- A bound draft report on the Alternatives which contains:
 - Core Action and Essential Element Summary Lists
 - Overviews and detailed descriptions of the ten alternatives
 - Summary of the main components of the ten alternatives
 - Cost Information
 - Core Action Details
 - Details of Alternatives

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Department of Water Resources
California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board

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The modified core action descriptions are strikeout versions meant to display the changes which have been made to incorporate the concepts of the comprehensive levee management plan which was developed by the levee sub-group. Wording changes in the water transfer actions which are meant to conform the language to legislative practice are also included for your information. The Ecosystem Review Team has suggested some modifications to the Habitat Core Actions, however, these modifications are still "in progress" and will be presented to the PCT/ERT for your next meeting.

The strategies and the operational storylines are new work product which we have prepared to assist in developing a better understanding of the alternatives. The strategies discuss the linkages between the actions contained in alternatives, while the operational storylines present the range of operational concepts which help display how each alternative can be operated so as to achieve fisheries, water supply, and water quality objectives. Some typical hydrographs are attached to demonstrate the concept of skimming water off the falling leg of high flood flows, storing that skimmed water, and using storage to augment spring flows as well as to satisfy unmet water demands.

The bound draft report presents the detailed information on the ten alternatives which the Program Team has developed since the last PCT/ERT meeting. Most of this information will be incorporated in the April 15th Workshop Packet.

The focus of the April 10 PCT/ERT meeting will be developing a higher understanding of the alternatives and jointly developing operating concepts and physical modifications to make them perform better.

I hope that these additional materials will assist you in understanding the components of each alternative and in better understanding how each alternative can operate so as to satisfy the objectives of the Program.

I look forward to our meeting on April 10 and I encourage you to critically review the enclosed materials in anticipation of a lively discussion on the ten alternatives.

Enclosures: