

## **CONCLUSIONS FROM SCOPING**

- **WATER USE EFFICIENCY MUST BE STRONGLY PURSUED IN ALL THE ALTERNATIVES**
- **THE BEST POSSIBLE SOURCE WATER QUALITY IS OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE TO URBAN WATER SUPPLIERS**
- **DELTA LEVEES WILL BE NEEDED TO PROTECT AGRICULTURE, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND HABITAT NO MATTER HOW WATER IS CONVEYED IN THE DELTA**
- **ECOSYSTEM ACTIONS AT THE MODEST AND PERHAPS THE MODERATE LEVEL APPEAR INADEQUATE; THE PROGRAM NEEDS A SINGLE COHERENT VISION OF ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION**

## SUGGESTED IMPROVEMENTS

- REDUCE THE MAGNITUDE OF LAND RETIREMENT TO REDUCE INDIRECT IMPACTS (**ELIMINATE REDIRECTED IMPACTS**) AND PROVIDE MORE EQUITY;
- ADD MORE HABITAT (ON THE ORDER OF ALTERNATIVE F WITH UPPER SACRAMENTO RIVER MEANDER BELTS) TO PROVIDE **HIGHER CONFLICT RESOLUTION AND DURABILITY**;
- ADD ADDITIONAL FISH SCREENING TO **REDUCE CONFLICT AND PROVIDE HIGHER DURABILITY**;
- INCREASE WATER QUALITY ACTIONS TO PROVIDE **HIGHER CONFLICT RESOLUTION**;

## **SUGGESTED IMPROVEMENTS (CONT.)**

- **INCREASE LEVEE MAINTENANCE TO PROVIDE HIGHER CONFLICT RESOLUTION AND PROVIDE MORE DURABILITY;**
- **ADD SUBSIDENCE CONTROL PROGRAM TO PROVIDE HIGHER CONFLICT RESOLUTION, HIGHER DURABILITY; HIGHER IMPLEMENTABILITY AND ELIMINATE REDIRECTED IMPACTS;**
- **INCREASE EMERGENCY RESPONSE TO PROVIDE HIGHER CONFLICT RESOLUTION, HIGHER DURABILITY, HIGHER EQUITY, MORE IMPLEMENTABILITY, AND TO ELIMINATE IMPACTS.**