

**WATER TRANSFERS
WORK GROUP**

Memorandum

Date: August 25, 1997

To: BDAC Members

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Subject: BDAC Water Transfers Work Group

Summary

The first meeting of BDAC's Water Transfers Work Group was held on August 7, 1997. The work group meeting was extremely well-attended, reflecting a high level of interest in transfers. More than 85 participants, including BDAC members, invited participants, and members of the public shared their views on the importance of water transfers as a component of improving water supply reliability and restoring ecosystem health. Participants also helped to focus attention on the most pressing policy issues we must work to resolve. Clearly, the issues of greatest concern are avoiding or mitigating third party impacts associated with transfers, and protecting and managing groundwater resources during transfers. Potential cumulative impacts of transfers are also of great concern.

Action - Information Item

A more detailed overview of the first transfers meeting will be provided at the BDAC meeting.

Additional Information

The enclosed meeting summary provides additional detail on the discussion at the meeting and the issues raised.

Attachment

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California The Resources Agency
Department of Fish and Game
Department of Water Resources
California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board

Federal Environmental Protection Agency
Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service
Bureau of Reclamation
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Department of Agriculture
Natural Resources Conservation Service
Department of Commerce
National Marine Fisheries Service