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Memorandum

Date: March 5, 1998
To: BDAC Members
From: Lester A. Snow
Executive Director

Subject: 1998 Spending Plan for Ecosystem Restoration

Summary
1998 Funding Process

CALFED has developed a package of recommended designated actions, focused grants, and proposals to complete the spending plan for 1998. (The initial set of proposals was reviewed by BDAC at the January 29 1998 meeting.) This package includes several recommendations for focused grants which will include public solicitation of proposals. Complete information on these public solicitations should be available in late March or April.

Questions for BDAC Discussion

BDAC members are being asked for their comments and input on the spending plan for 1998 including the focused grants, designated actions, and proposals. Information regarding the remainder of the 1998 focused grants, designated actions, and proposals is contained in this package. The Ecosystem Roundtable is continuing to work on the water acquisition recommendation to develop principles to address local partnerships and empowerment, evaluation, avoidance, and mitigation of economic effects, how projects can be selected to maximize ecological benefit relative to cost, and other principles. Information on these principles will be available at the BDAC meeting.

Detailed Discussion

CALFED has worked with the Integration Panel to identify additional restoration needs based on gaps in the December 1997 and January 1998 proposals that have been approved.

CALFED Agencies

<p>California</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Resources Agency Department of Fish and Game Department of Water Resources California Environmental Protection Agency State Water Resources Control Board 	<p>Federal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Protection Agency Department of the Interior Fish and Wildlife Service Bureau of Reclamation U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service Department of Commerce National Marine Fisheries Service
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The Integration Panel recommended 25 focused grants, designated actions and proposals for funding. These recommendations were reviewed by the Ecosystem Roundtable and the CALFED Management Team after the January 29, 1998 BDAC meeting. Based on the Management Team's direction, the package was modified slightly to increase the allocation of funding for implementation projects over planning, monitoring, and evaluation. The attached matrix reflects a summary of the designated actions, focused grants, and proposals as well as the general comments and concerns expressed by the Ecosystem Roundtable and the CALFED Management Team. The matrix also includes the staff recommendation that was presented to the Policy Team to address the Management Team concerns.

Conflicts of Interest in Contracting

BDAC members are reminded that they will be provided an opportunity to declare remote interests and non-interests associated with ecosystem restoration project, grant, and designated action funding. The attached October 17, 1997 memorandum explains how to make these declarations if they have determined they have a potential conflict-of-interest.

Attachment