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 Subject: Watershed Management Strategy

The following overview on the Watershed management Strategy is provided as background information for BDAC discussion at the meeting. The Watershed Management Program has recently been elevated to the status of a Common Program. The Program is in the process of refining the attached Draft Watershed Management Strategy (an appendix to the PEIR/S), conducting CALFED agency and stakeholder meetings and developing an implementation strategy framework. An Interim Interagency Watershed Advisory Team (IIWAT), consisting of core agencies, was formed to kick off the activities.

The Program has conducted three Interim Interagency Watershed Advisory Team meetings. The IIWAT consists of core CALFED agency staff as follows:

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| Department of Water Resources               | Bill Bennet     |
| State Water Resources Control Board         | Ken Coulter     |
| Department of Fish and Game                 | Larry Eng       |
| Resources Agency                            | Rebecca Fawver  |
| USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service | John Lowrie     |
| Bureau of Land Management                   | Carl Roundtree  |
| USDA Forest Service                         | Julie Tupper    |
| US Environmental Protection Agency          | Sam Ziegler     |
| US Fish and Wildlife Service                | Dan Castleberry |

As a result of the IIWAT meetings, it was determined that there should be a structure to provide for effective stakeholder involvement. The outcome is the formation of the Watershed Management Work Group consisting of both stakeholders and key CALFED agencies. This group is tasked with helping to refine the Watershed Management Strategy and the Implementation Strategy Framework in preparation for the final PEIR/S.

**CALFED Agencies**

<b>California</b>	The Resources Agency Department of Fish and Game Department of Water Resources California Environmental Protection Agency State Water Resources Control Board	<b>Federal</b>	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
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Two regional stakeholder meetings are being held. One was in Sacramento on April 23, 1998 and the other is in Redding on April 30, 1998. The intent of these meetings is to receive input on the Draft Watershed Management Strategy, the general direction of the Watershed Management Program, the mechanisms for effective stakeholder involvement, the draft principles for CALFED participation in watershed activities (attached), and the draft organizational structure (attached).

**We would appreciate your input on the Draft Watershed Management Strategy.** We hope to have your input before the end of the PEIR/S comment period. Please provide comments to me or call at (916) 653-2994 if there are any questions.