



**Bay-Delta Advisory Council Assurances Work Group
July 30, 1997
9:00 am to Noon**

LOCATION

Resources Building
1416 Ninth Street, Room 1131
Sacramento, California

Draft Agenda

Purpose: Determine advantages and disadvantages of the assurances straw proposal, review the refined guidelines, and set-up future meeting schedule.

9:00 - 9:30 **Introductions and Updates.** Hap Dunning, Chair, and CALFED Bay-Delta Program Staff

Review June 19, 1997 Meeting Summary. Hap Dunning

Summary of Outside Discussions Related to Assurances. Work Group participants

9:30 - 11:00 **Discuss Case Study and Associated Assurances Proposal.** Dave Fullerton and Mike Heaton

Dave and Mike will provide brief overviews of the updated case study and the hypothetical assurance package presented in the Preliminary Assurances Package - Draft Proposal. In response to the Work Group's request to focus discussion on a single assurances proposal, the following questions are posed. We may not address all of these questions at the meeting, but they may help with review of the paper and framing discussion.

- The hypothetical package proposes creation of a Delta Ecosystem Restoration Authority to implement the Ecosystem Restoration Program and use of existing agencies to implement the rest of the CALFED solution. How well does this management structure address the need for more stakeholder involvement in decision-making and other concerns?
- Will the tools proposed in sections B. Ecosystem Restoration Component and C. Water Supply Reliability assure adequate linkage

CALFED Agencies

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
Department of Commerce
National Marine Fisheries Service

between the components over the 20 to 30 year life of the case study?
If not, what changes would you suggest?

- Is an HCP an appropriate tool to provide the necessary level of assurances for water supply reliability? If not, what other tools would you suggest?
- Are there tools, other than transferable pollution credits, which would be as effective in assuring the water quality objectives? If so, please identify them.
- What assurances, other than those listed in section E. Water Use Efficiency, will adequately ensure efficient use of water?
- What assurances, other than long-term general obligation bonds, are needed to assure implementation of the Levee System Integrity Program?

11:00 - 11:30 Discuss Refined Guidelines. Dave Fullerton

The purpose of this agenda item is to review the refined guidelines in the context of the hypothetical assurances package.

11:30 - 11:45 Schedule Meetings Through February 1998. Hap Dunning and Eugenia Laychak

The next Assurances Work Group meeting is scheduled for September 9, 1997. Listed below is a proposed schedule through February 1998. Staff would like to confirm a schedule at the meeting.

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| 9/9/97 | 9:00 am - Noon |
| 12/22/97 | 9:00 am - Noon |
| 12/3/97 | 9:00 am - Noon |
| 1/14/98 | 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm |
| 2/25/98 | 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm |

11:45 - 12:00 Wrap- Up and Public Comment

The schedule for discussing agenda items is approximate. The Work Group may discuss items out of order, or may finish earlier or later than scheduled.

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