

Memorandum

Date: February 22, 1999
To: Governance Small Group
From: Kate Hansel *K.Hansel*
Subject: February 24, 1999 Meeting

The objective of the February 24 meeting is to continue discussions on both the ecosystem and overall governance issues with particular attention to the ecosystem governance options, and the functions and duties for overall CALFED governance.

For ecosystem governance and for overall governance, I hope to cover each of the following topics:

- Primary mission and objectives/functions
- Issues/characteristics and lessons
- Duties and authorities needed to achieve the objectives/functions,
- Relationship and distribution of authorities between the overall governing body and the ecosystem governing body,
- Options--basic governing structure options,
- Initial steps in 1999 and 2000

There has been a significant amount of materials generated over the last few years on these topics. I have tried to consolidate and in some cases have reorganized the information in the attached papers. I think it will be useful to review some of this information before proceeding with the next steps.

For several reasons there is an interest on the part of some of the CALFED agencies to develop recommended proposals for both the overall governance and the ecosystem entity by the end of March 1999. For example, the legislature may be introducing legislation on CALFED governance that CALFED needs to be prepared to respond to, the new state administration has an interest in reviewing the options for ecosystem governance that could begin in 1999, and the BDAC Governance Workgroup has been asked to report at the March BDAC meeting with recommendations.

Attached are background papers on ecosystem governance and on CALFED overall governance. I have tried to summarize and pull together existing materials to help guide the discussion on February 24. The products from the meeting on February 24 will help shape the discussion at the next BDAC Governance Workgroup meeting now scheduled for March 9, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Room 1131, Resources Building.

Attachments

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
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

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