



**CALFED
BAY-DELTA
PROGRAM**

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 To: BDAC Ecosystem Restoration Members and Invited Participants
 From: Roberta Borgonovo, Chair *Peter Kiel for*
 Subject: BDAC Ecosystem Restoration Work Group

The next meeting of the BDAC Ecosystem Restoration Work Group will be held on **Tuesday, May 26, 1998 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Room 1131 of the Resources Building, at 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, CA.** An agenda for the meeting is attached (Attachment 1).

Participants at the Work Group will be asked to provide comments on phased decision making for the CALFED Program. CALFED is developing a phased implementation plan which outlines the order in which portions of the Program will be staged and linked with other portions of the Program. In particular, Work Group participants should be prepared to identify and discuss the actions that should take place in the first 7 to 10 years (Stage I) of the Program, the ecosystem restoration linkages across other programs in the first stage, and what information would be needed in ecosystem restoration in order for CALFED and stakeholders to make critical program decisions on storage, conveyance and other Program elements at the end of Stage I. Please refer to the attached "Nature of Decision/Selecting a Preferred Alternative" paper for more information (Attachment 2).

Another major discussion item will be the development of the Strategic Plan. Short biographies of the Core Team scientists, a proposed schedule for technical workshops, and a list of candidate Tier II technical advisors will be provided at the meeting.

Staff will provide an update on the Conservation Strategy and the covered species list for the Delta region. The Delta covered species list is attached for your review (Attachment 3). An update on the Comprehensive Monitoring, Assessment and Research Program (CMARP, formerly IEMRP) for CALFED will also be presented.

If you need additional information, please contact Peter Kiel at (916) 657-2666.

We look forward to your participation at the next meeting.

Attachments

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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