

QUARTERLY PROGRAMMATIC REPORT

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 CALFED Project # 97-N03
 Quarter Ending March 31, 1999

Deliverables

NOTE: The 97-N03 agreement was not fully executed until December 8, 1998.

<u>Deliverable</u>	<u>Due Date</u>	<u>% Complete</u>	<u>Date Deliverable Complete</u>
Task 1: Restoration of 200 acres			
Subtask 1: Site analysis and planning		100%	
Deliverable 1: Site Restoration Plan	2/28/99		2/5/99
Deliverable 2: Draft and final subcontracts	2/28/99		
Subtask 2: Site preparation and planting			
Deliverable 1: Site tour, as necessary	11/30/99		
Deliverable 2: Draft and final subcontracts	11/30/01		

Task 2: Monitoring -- Task order for Task Two is pending.

Narrative

Task 1: Restoration of 200 acres of riparian habitat

Subtask 1: Site analysis and planning

Site analysis surveys were conducted including mapping, vegetation (identification of native and exotic communities on and nearby the site), soils profile, bird and wildlife usage, hydrology and water table depth. Restoration planning is complete. A site restoration plan has been submitted as an exhibit to the restoring planting subcontract (Gilbert Moss). Implementation of this subtask was delayed due to the fact that the recipient agreement was not executed until over a year after the award date. However, assuming that site preparation, irrigation installation, and planting subcontract approval can be expedited, the project is currently on schedule for planting in spring-summer 1999.

Subtask 2: Site preparation, planting and maintenance

Typically site preparation begins in the fall before the rainy season begins. However, due to the time spent on negotiation of the recipient agreement and approval of the task order, site preparation has been delayed. The delays in site preparation may set back the planting date.

A hydrologic analysis was completed by Ayers and Associates, Consulting Engineers and Jones & Stokes, environmental consultants, at TNC expense. Ayers and JSA concluded that TNC's site-plan is unlikely to result in adverse third-party impacts, and may reduce high flows on property adjoining the river opposite the restoration site. The study results were submitted to the Reclamation Board for review and approval.

TNC completed grading a firebreak (at an expense of \$2,000) and a partial control burn was done by FWS as a costshare, resulting in a lower cost to clear the area. TNC submitted subcontracts for approval for irrigation design, land clearing, and site preparation. The land preparation subcontract has been approved, but not signed by CALFED. In addition, irrigation and planting subcontracts have been submitted, but are not yet approved.

It is estimated that costs for all subcontracts put out to bid will be approximately 30% below budget. However, costs for salaries, benefits, and overhead (TNC costshare) exceed budget due to changes in CALFED requirements and staff time spent responding to complaints by disappointed bidders.

Task 2: Monitoring

A task order for Task 2 is being drafted based on ongoing discussions with Jeff Phipps.

Delays:

Further delays in the approval of subcontracts jeopardizes the integrity of the entire project.

Following is an estimate of costs for the next three months (April – June, 1999):

Month 1 \$ 50,000 Month 2 \$ 210,000 Month 3 \$ 50,000 Total for Quarter \$ 310,000