



Memorandum

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To: Ecosystem Roundtable

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Subject: Recommendations from Interim Science Panel on Watershed Projects

Review of 1999 Watershed Projects

The Panel reviewed nine watershed projects recommended for additional funding as part of the 1999 Ecosystem Restoration Projects. These projects were identified in a September 1, 1999 memorandum from Wendy Halverson Martin to the Ecosystem Roundtable upon request of the CALFED Policy Group. The Panel supports eight of the proposals and recommends that these proposals be funded. These eight projects total \$1,867,186.

The Panel does not recommend funding 99-C115, Upper Trinity River Watershed Stewardship Project. There were several reasons for this recommendation.

- Because of the unique relationship between the Trinity River and the Central Valley, it is difficult to establish direct connections between restoration on the Trinity watershed and problems specific to the Bay Delta.
- The amount of money requested seemed disproportionately low in relation to the type of work to be completed.

CALFED Agencies

California

- The Resources Agency
- Department of Fish and Game
- Department of Water Resources
- California Environmental Protection Agency
- State Water Resources Control Board
- Department of Food and Agriculture

Federal

- Environmental Protection Agency
- Department of the Interior
- Fish and Wildlife Service
- Bureau of Reclamation
- U.S. Geological Survey
- Bureau of Land Management
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

- Department of Agriculture
- Natural Resources Conservation Service
- U.S. Forest Service
- Department of Commerce
- National Marine Fisheries Service
- Western Area Power Administration



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- The Panel felt that the scope of this project would not provide information addressing the issue of the link between upper watershed processes and the Bay- Delta. The Panel discussed the importance of implementing upper watershed projects which can provide such information.

Attachment