

January 26, 2000

Dear Tribal Chairperson:

The purpose of this letter is to request proposals for increasing tribal participation in the CALFED Bay-Delta Program. As you may be aware, CALFED recently approved \$100,000 in Fiscal Year 2000 funds for this purpose and identified several key objectives to be accomplished through the use of these funds. In general, we expect this funding to assist tribes in determining potential impacts of CALFED actions on tribal resources, as well as in increasing tribal awareness of and participation in the program. Please see the attached grant solicitation notice for specific guidance, proposal requirements, and evaluation criteria.

All proposals must be postmarked no later than **March 31, 2000**. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Lisa Penaska, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, at (415) 744-1597.

Sincerely,



Steven R. Ritchie
Acting Executive Director

Attachment

cc: Tribal Environmental Director

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