



M e m o r a n d u m

Date: September 18, 1997

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From: Mary Selkirk and Eugenia Laychak

Subject: Planning for November 4-5 BDAC Meeting

Although the November BDAC meeting is more than a month away, we are providing an early version of the draft meeting agenda, assignments for preparation of the packet and the planning schedule, to help plan for this important meeting.

Several changes from past BDAC meeting formats are proposed to encourage more interaction and discussion by BDAC members. This discussion will be critical to meet the November 4-5 meeting objectives (see below), as well as the proposed objectives for the December 11 meeting: discussion of a hybrid draft alternative and receiving advice on questions to the public regarding the draft preferred alternative.

Specifically, we are planning on fewer and shorter presentations, overall, and breakout session discussions with BDAC members and the public the afternoon of November 4, consistent with open meeting requirements. This approach may be successful, especially given appointment (we hope) of new BDAC members to fill the vacancies.

We will keep you posted on changes and refinements as we progress. However, feel free to contact Eugenia at 916/444-2161 (voice) and 916/444-2162 (fax) or Mary at 510/548-8558 (voice) and 510/527-4787 (fax) with any questions or comments. Thanks for your cooperation.

November 4-5 Meeting Draft Agenda

Meeting Objectives: To receive BDAC advice on the alternatives' tradeoffs of most concern and update group on ongoing CALFED activities.

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

November 4

9:30 am

Welcome and Introductions (M. Madigan/L. Snow)

- Introduce New Members
- Introduce New Meeting Format

10:00

Overview of CALFED Bay-Delta Program (L. Snow)

- Phase I Decisions
- Phase II Decisions
- Programmatic EIR/EIS Schedule and Level of Detail
- Review Alternatives
- Present Options for Providing Feedback and Advice

Noon

Lunch

1:00 pm

Distinguishing Characteristics Ranking (BDAC Panel Discussion & Facilitated Breakout Sessions)

- Identify Tradeoffs of Most Concern

Evening Program

- Discussion with Chairs of Legislative Water Committees

November 5

8:30 am

Review Outcomes from Distinguishing Characteristics Ranking Discussions (L. Snow?)

Restoration Coordination Proposal Funding Package (K. Hansel)

HCP Update (S. Gross)

Scientific Review Panel and ERPP Status Updates (D. Daniel)

Status of Outside Activities (?)

- CVPIA B(2) Discussions
- Bay-Delta Accord Extension

12:30 pm

Adjourn

November Packet Contents (Preliminary)

- Packet Cover Memo (M. Selkirk)
- September 4, 1997 BDAC Meeting Summary (M. Turner)
- Memo on CALFED Program and BDAC Decisions (E. Laychak)
- Distinguishing Characteristics Ranking and Tradeoffs (L. Bottorff/?)
- Restoration Coordination Proposal Funding Package (K. Hansel)
- HCP Status Report (overview of scoping meetings and assurances issues) (S. Gross)
- Scientific Review Panel Summary Overview (D. Daniel)
- Overview of Comments on ERPP?? (D. Daniel)
- Status Report on CVPIA B (2) Discussions (R. Patterson?)
- Status Report on Bay-Delta Accord Extension (P. Wright?)
- Work Group Meeting Summaries (staff liaisons)
- BDAC Letters and Responses (Robin and other staff)

Planning Schedule

10/2/97

Planning Meeting

10:00 am

Room 1147C1

10/17/97

Packet to Reproduction

10/23/97

Packet Mailing

10/31/97

Rehearsal 10:00 am Room 1147C1

We may schedule an additional planning meeting prior to 10/31, if needed.)