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Dear Mr. *Rich* Breitenbach:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the March 1998 draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (PEIS/EIR) for the CALFED Bay-Delta Program. Due to time and staff resource limitations, the NMFS focused its review on the fisheries/aquatic ecosystems impact analysis in the PEIS/EIR and the Ecosystem Restoration Program Plan (ERP) technical appendix. My comments and recommendations are attached.

If you have questions concerning these comments, please contact Mr. Gary Stern at 707/575-6060 or Dr. Karl Halupka at 707/575-6057.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

