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- Meeting Notice -

Delta Science Program Review

California WaterFix Aquatic Science Peer Review - Phase 2A

December 8, 2016 – 9 a.m. – 4:15 p.m. PST

December 9, 2016 – 2 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. PST

Park Tower Conference Center
980 Ninth St., Second Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Webcast URL: To be provided at a later date.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the California WaterFix (CWF) Aquatic Science Peer Review – Phase 2A is to provide the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), and California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) with an independent scientific evaluation of the Adaptive Management Framework used for the Endangered Species Act consultation and scientific analyses in the CDFW 2081 (b) Incidental Take Permit application for the California WaterFix. In addition, the Phase 2A review will provide independent scientific peer review on the use of best available scientific information as it pertains to analyses of effects on aquatic California Endangered Species Act-listed species in the CDFW 2081 (b) Incidental Take Permit Application.

AGENDA

Order of agenda items and listed times are subject to change

Day 1 (December 8, 2016)

I. Introduction

9:00 – 9:10 Welcome Remarks –Delta Science Program

9:10 – 9:40 Opening Remarks – NMFS, USFWS, CDFW

"Coequal goals" means the two goals of providing a more reliable water supply for California and protecting, restoring, and enhancing the Delta ecosystem. The coequal goals shall be achieved in a manner that protects and enhances the unique cultural, recreational, natural resource, and agricultural values of the Delta as an evolving place."

– CA Water Code §85054

9:40 – 10:10 Responses to Panel's Phase 1 Comments – CDFW, ICF, and NMFS

10:10 – 11:00 California WaterFix Adaptive Management Framework – CDFW, NMFS,
and DWR

11:00 – 11:45 Review Panel/ Presenter Q&A

11:45 – 1:00 Lunch

II. Analyses of Winter- and Spring-run Chinook, Delta Smelt, and Longfin Smelt presented in the California Department of Fish and Wildlife 2081(b) Permit Application

1:00 – 1:30 Modeling approach to providing spring outflow – CH2M

1:30 – 2:00 Longfin Smelt Analyses – ICF

2:00 – 2:30 Delta Smelt Analyses – ICF

2:30 – 3:00 Winter- and Spring-run Chinook Analyses – ICF

3:00 – 3:15 Break

III. General Presenter/ Review Panel Discussion

3:15 – 4:00 Review Panel/ Presenter Q&A

IV. Public Comment

4:00 – 4:15 Public Comment Period

4:15 Adjourn

Day 2 (December 9, 2016)

V. Presentation of Initial Recommendations from the Review Panel

2:00 – 3:00 Presentation of Initial Findings and Recommendations (Review Panel)

3:00-3:20 Break

3:20 – 4:30 Discussion between the Review Panel and Presenters from the Previous Day

VI. Concluding Remarks

4:30 – 4:45 Public Comment

4:45 – 5:00 Next Steps – Delta Science Program

5:00 Adjourn

- If you have any questions, please contact Lindsay Correa at (916) 445-0092 or lindsay.correa@deltacouncil.ca.gov.
- Members of the public are encouraged to visit the California WaterFix Aquatic Science Peer Review website (http://www.westcoast.fisheries.noaa.gov/central_valley/WaterFix/index.html) for the meeting materials. A limited number of copies of these materials will be available at the meeting.
- Reasonable time limits may be established for public comments (Government Code Sections 11125.7).