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Memorandum

To:

Regional Environmental Officer, Bureau of Reclamation, Mid-Pacific Regional

Office, Sacramento, California

From:

Acting Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Sacramento Fish and

Wildlife Office, Sacramento, California

Subject:

Reinitiation of Formal and Early Section 7 Endangered Species Consultation on the Coordinated Operations of the Central Valley Project and State Water Project and the Operational Criteria and Plan to Address Potential Critical Habitat Issues

This memorandum concerns the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's (Service) February 16, 2005, biological opinion on the reinitiation of formal consultation with the Service on the coordinated operations of the Central Valley Project (CVP) and State Water Project (SWP) and the Operating Criteria and Plan (OCAP) in California to address potential critical habitat issues (Service file #1-1-05-F-0055). This biological opinion supercedes the Service's July 30, 2004, biological opinion, Formal and Early Section 7 Endangered Species Consultation on the Coordinated Operations of the Central Valley Project and State Water Project and the Operational Criteria and Plan (Service file #1-1-04-F-0140) in its entirety.

Please contact Ryan Olah or the Coast Bay Delta Branch Chief of my staff at (916) 414-6625 if you have questions regarding this response.

