Schedule of Science Team Activities in 2006

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In 2006, the Project is focused on developing the EIR/S and AMP for the overall restoration project and Phase 1, and the associated Record of Decision. The overall goal for the Science Team in 2006 is to support that effort by helping disseminate current information and by integrating Science Team products into the EIR/S process.

Objectives of 2006 Science Team Activities:

- Ensure existing data and information are made available to the PMT and Consultant Team for use in the EIR/S and AMP.
- Integrate work developed by the Science Team and Consultant Team as needed for the EIR/S and AMP.
- Provide advice to the PMT on specific products and tasks, as required.

Science Team Activities and General Timeframes for work:

- Review and provide comments on Phase 1 actions (Dec 2005-July 2006)
- Review and provide comments on modeling associated with landscape-scale predictions and with Phase 1 actions (Feb-Nov)
- Work with PMT and USGS to interpret monitoring data collected for the Project (Dec 2005- July 2006)
- Host a South Bay Science Symposium to highlight data and analyses useful in the EIR/S process (June)
- Integrate the key uncertainties and hypotheses for Applied Studies developed by the Science Team and Consultant Team (Jan-May)
- Develop plan for monitoring based on restoration targets and management triggers (Feb-Aug)
- Provide comments on revised institutional structure for AMP (July-Sept)
- Finalize AMP (Sept-early Dec)

Expected Science Team Meetings in 2006 with Primary Focus and Meeting Product:

January 17: Phase 1 comments; report produced

March 13: Review Applied Studies Integration document; draft document

May 22: Review Preliminary Monitoring and Restoration Targets Plan for initial comments;

Applied Studies Integration document review to finalize

July 17: Review Revised Monitoring and Restoration Targets Plan

September 18: Finish revising Monitoring and Restoration Targets Plan (now called the Adaptive

Management Summary table) for the Admin Draft EIR/S and AMP;

Review and comment on Revised Draft AMP

November 13: Review Admin Draft AMP and finalize for Draft EIR/S (for release in Jan 2007)

Other Relevant Meetings:

March 14: Meet with John Takekawa's USGS group to discuss monitoring results and analysis

April 18: Social Science Workshop

May 2: PMT's Institutional Retreat to discuss long-term institutional structure

June 6: South Bay Salt Pond Science Symposium in San Jose

June 15: Science Team-PMT-CT working session to review all Phase 1 Applied Studies

Oct 23-25: CALFED Science Conference in Sacramento Oct 30: Monitoring Guidance Pow-wow in Oakland

Oct 31-Nov 2: NSP Meeting in Oakland

Dec 9-13: Restore America's Estuaries Conference in New Orleans