

# San Joaquin River Restoration Program

Water Management Group  
Technical Feedback Meeting

March 20, 2009



## Agenda

- Title III Guidelines
- Restoration Flow Guidelines / Recovered Water Account
- 16(a) Recapture Activities
- Next Meeting



## Title III - Local Financial Assistance

- Discussion of any comments



## Restoration Flow Guidelines

- Next steps include:
  - Incorporating Settling Party Comments
  - Treatment of Residuals
  - Recovered Water Accounting
- We will continue to work with the Settling Parties to develop the guidelines.



## 16(a) Recapture and Recirculation

- Restoration Releases
- River Exchanges and Transfers
- Potential River New Facilities
- Delta Based Operations



## 16(a) Delta Component

- Improved Delta conditions from restoration releases may permit additional exports under existing regulations.
- 16(a) requires a plan to maximize the water supply benefits to long-term Friant Division Contractors.
- Implementation requires a mechanism to return water to Friant Contractors that involves a number of agreements.



## 16(a) - SWRCB Petition

- The SJRRP petition to the State Water Resources Control Board will include:
  - Change in purposes and places of use;
  - Protection from downstream diverters; and
  - Points of diversion for recapture at river and Delta facilities.
- Key SWRCB evaluation criteria will include:
  - no injury to any legal user of water
  - no adverse environmental impact
- No injury requires identifying the additional water that reaches diversion points.



## 16(a) Considerations

- Delta Operational Criteria
  - D-1641 – Water quality and flow targets
  - OCAP – Pump and conveyance operating criteria
- Delta Allocation Agreements
  - Coordinated Operating Agreement (COA)
  - CVP and SWP Contracts
- Tributary Operational Criteria
  - SWP/CVP reservoir operations criteria
  - ACOE flood control criteria
  - FERC Relicensing criteria
  - In stream target flows (e.g. VAMP)



## 16(a) Agreements

- New Operational Agreements
  - Exchange agreements with partnering entities
  - Use of State and Federal facilities
  - Use of Cross Valley Canal and Intertie facilities
  - Use of local agency facilities for exchanges/conveyance
  - Use of New Project Facilities
- Modification of Existing Agreements



## Next Meeting Date & Agenda

- April 17, 2009
- Potential Agenda Items:
  - 16(a) Recapture/Recirculation – Walk through of sequential Delta operational behavior
  - Other Topics?



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