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Re: Draft Fish and Aquatic Effects Analysis for the Long-Term Operations of the Central Valley Project and State Water Project Independent Review Panel

Dear Dr. Mooney:

The Delta Stewardship Council's Delta Science Program is pleased to announce that the independent review panel (Panel) for Reclamation's Fish and Aquatic Effects Analysis for the Long-Term Operations of the Central Valley Project and State Water Project has completed their Final Review. The courtesy copy of their final letter review is also attached to the email. The final report will be publicly available on our website by the end of April: <u>https://deltacouncil.ca.gov/delta-science-program/long-term-operations-for-the-central-valley-project-and-state-water-project-fish-and-aquatic-effects-analysis-review-panel</u>.

The Panel determined that there was sufficient documentation on enough of the models and analyses for a thorough review. The Panel responded to the five questions posed in the Charge to the Panel and provided additional

recommendations for Reclamation to consider as they finalize the Fish and Aquatic Effects Analysis.

If there are questions about the Final Report please contact Aaron Angel, Environmental Scientist at <u>aaron.angel@deltacouncil.ca.gov</u> or 916-902-6498.

Sincerely,

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List of Attachments:

Peer Review of the Fish and Aquatic Effects Analysis for the Long-Term Operations of the Central Valley Project and State Water Project – Final Report

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