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Joe : We inadvertently used "proposed action" in the first paragraph when we meant "covered action". Please use the attached version. Sorry for the hassle.

Thanks.
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WR P1: Reduce Reliance on the Delta and Improve Regional Self-Reliance

A covered action is inconsistent with the Delta Plan if (1) the service area of the entity seeking the covered action has failed to reduce its reliance on the Delta or adequately contribute to improved regional self-reliance; (2) that failure has significantly caused the need for the covered action; and (3) the covered action would have a significant adverse environmental impact in the Delta.

This policy addresses a covered action to export water from, transfer water through, or use water in the Delta.

For the purposes of this policy, “reducing reliance on the Delta or adequately contributing to improved regional self-reliance” means (1) a reduction in net per capita water use; (2) a reduction in the percentage of Delta water used as a part of total regional water supply; or (3) compliance with state laws regarding water conservation, water efficiency and urban and agricultural water management planning. For an entity that is required to have a plan and does not, its covered action is deemed inconsistent with the Delta Plan. (1), (2), and (3) identified in this paragraph may be achieved through investment in water use efficiency, water recycling, advanced water technologies, local and regional water supply projects, and improved regional coordination of local and regional water supply efforts.

For the purpose of determining if a covered action is consistent with the Delta Plan, the Council’s review shall be limited to the entity taking the covered action.

To ensure advances are being made to reduce reliance on the Delta and improve regional self-reliance, the Delta Stewardship Council will request that the Department of Water Resources and Bureau of Reclamation provide to the Council a periodic (annual) update of reports that describe the manner in which water agencies are implementing State and federal water use efficiency standards.