

Contra Costa Water District: Rock Slough Fish Screen Project (Log number Nov11 - 1)

Staff Recommendation: Include in Interim Plan.

Background

The applicant is requesting that the Delta Stewardship Council (Council) consider the Rock Slough Fish Screen Project as an Early Action. The project construction is presently underway and anticipated to be complete by September 2011. While a Council action would not affect project progress or implementation, the project does meet coequal goals by reducing impacts to fisheries while improving water supply reliability and operational flexibility.

The project meets the following Delta Reform Act Policy Objectives:

- Manage the Delta's water and environmental resources and the water resources of the state over the long term; and
- Restore the Delta ecosystems, including its fisheries and wildlife, as the heart of a healthy estuary and wetland ecosystem; and
- Promote statewide water conservation, water use efficiency, and sustainable water use; and
- Improve water quality to protect human health and the environment consistent with achieving water quality objectives in the Delta; and
- Improve the water conveyance system and expand statewide water storage; and
- Reduce risks to people, property, and state interests in the Delta by effective emergency preparedness, appropriate land uses, and investments in flood protection.

The applicant has provided the following CEQA documents:

Contra Costa Pumping Plant Mitigation Program, Contra Costa Canal Intake (Rock Slough) Fish Screen Project CEQA Addendum 2, Dewatering Plan Modification, Negative Declaration. September 2010.

Notice of Determination for the Contra Costa Pumping Plant Mitigation Program-Contra Costa Canal (Rock Slough) Fish Screen Project (Addendum). June 2009.

Delta Stewardship Council Committee – Early Actions Review

Meeting Date: November 5th, 2010

Early Action Project or Plan Review: Staff Recommendation

Final Contra Costa Pumping Plant Mitigation Program, Contra Costa Canal Intake (Rock Slough) fish Screening Project, Notice of Determination and Negative Declaration. October 1997.

According to the environmental documentation, the project includes pre and post project monitoring and a technical team to evaluate effectiveness and potential predation issues near the screen.

List of Attachments

Attachment 1 – Summary Form

Attachment 2 – Application for Consideration of a Plan or Project

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