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**Subject:** Wording for 2 specific policy recommendations

Here is the specific wording for the two policy recommendations that I provided this afternoon:

Overall Policy:

### **Phasing**

"For those large scale programs that cannot be financed and implemented at one time, phasing should be implemented in ways that will achieve incremental progress, allow learning along the way, and avoid stranded assets."

### **ERP 1, Restore the Delta Ecosystem**

Split this into two parts. The first and most important is this explicit policy:

"Before the Council can determine consistency of any covered action to increase the capacity to store, divert, move, or export water from the Delta, the State Water Resources Control Board must adopt new Delta flow standards."

The rationale for this policy is that adoption of new Delta flow standards is an essential preliminary step for meeting both of the co-equal objectives. It is not possible to evaluate conveyance alternatives without knowing how much water is available for export. Similarly it is not possible to properly design aquatic ecosystem restoration projects without knowing how much fresh water will be in the Delta.

The second part is the recommendation:

"It is recommended that the State Water Resources Control Board establish new Delta flows standards by June 30, 2013."