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4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Good morning,
5 everyone. It is 9:30.

6 Welcome back to the Water Right Change Petition
7 hearing for the California WaterFix Project.

8 I am Tam Doduc. I expect we'll be joined
9 shortly by Board Chair and Co-Hearing Officer Felicia
10 Marcus, and then sitting to the Chair's right will be
11 Board Member Dee Dee D'Adamo. To my left are Dana
12 Heinrich, Conny Mitterhofer and Kyle Ochenduszk. We're
13 also being assisted today by Mr. Hunt and Mr. Long.

14 Since I think I see some new faces in the room,
15 we will go through the usual three general announcements.

16 First of all, please take a moment and locate
17 the exit closest to you. In the event of an emergency,
18 an alarm will sound. We will evacuate taking the stairs,
19 not the elevators, down to the first floor and meet up in
20 the park across the street.

21 If you are not able to use the stairs, please
22 flag down one of us or any orange-garbed person standing
23 in the hallway and you'll be directed into a protected
24 area.

25 Second announcement is: This is being

1 recorded, Webcasted, so please speak into the microphone
2 when you provide your comments or questions today, and
3 begin by identifying yourself and stating your
4 affiliation.

5 We have our court reporter Candace back with us
6 today. And the transcript will be made available on our
7 website as soon as possible after the conclusion of
8 Part 1. If you would like to have it sooner, please make
9 your arrangements with her.

10 And, as always, the most important
11 announcement, even more important than emergency, because
12 it will be an emergency if I hear a noise, is: Please
13 take a moment right now and put your phones and any other
14 noise-making device on silent, vibrate, or off. Even if
15 you think they are that way, please take a moment and
16 check, as I am doing right now.

17 All right. Before we get to today's business,
18 I have a couple things to -- actually, one thing to
19 address.

20 First of all, thank you all for -- for meeting
21 the deadlines that were specified last week for --
22 earlier this week for various filings of motions and
23 responses, including you, Miss Womack. Hope you had a
24 great Father's Day with your father.

25 As part of what was received was Group 7's

1 motion to -- well, actually they concluded their
2 presentation of testimony on June 16th and, at that time,
3 Group 7 requested to submit in writing a motion to move
4 their surrebuttal testimony and exhibits into evidence.
5 I granted their request and closed the window for further
6 objections to admissibility of evidence.

7 Since there are no outstanding objections to
8 moving Group 7's surrebuttal testimony and exhibits into
9 evidence, I hereby accept them. They are SVWU-300
10 through SVWU-306 inclusive, SCWA-200 through SCWA-205
11 inclusive, CITYSAC-36 and CITYSAC-37.

12 (Sacramento Valley Waters Users'
13 Exhibits 300-306 received into the
14 record)

15 (Sacramento County Water Agency's
16 Exhibits 200-205 received into the
17 record)

18 (City of Sacramento's Exhibits 36 &
19 37 received into the record)

20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Are there any other
21 housekeeping matters?

22 If not, today, we are going to start -- and I
23 see -- thank you, Mr. Aladjem -- you're already in place.

24 Oh. Miss Womack.

25 MS. WOMACK: Yes. I had housekeeping as far as

1 when will we have an idea about the Clifton Court ruling?

2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you for
3 reminding me of that, Miss Womack.

4 We are reviewing everything that's been
5 submitted. We -- There will be a break after this week,
6 and I would expect we will issue a ruling sometime
7 between the break -- sometime during the break.

8 MS. WOMACK: Okay. That's wonderful.

9 So I won't be needed today or tomorrow, then;
10 right?

11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Not unless you
12 wish --

13 MS. WOMACK: Unless I wanted to cross.

14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: -- to conduct cross.

15 MS. WOMACK: Okay. Great. Thank you so much.

16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Thank
17 you, Miss Womack.

18 All right. We have Groups 10, 22, 27, at least
19 to begin with today, and then, this afternoon, we will
20 have DWR's, and Miss -- Ms. Spaletta and Mr. Mizell have
21 been coordinating on the presentation of the spreadsheets
22 that we required and the cross-examination to be
23 conducted on that.

24 So we have a full day. I expect that we will
25 try to have a shorter day tomorrow. We -- We may start a

1 little bit earlier, depending on how things go today, but
2 I would like to end tomorrow no later than 1 o'clock,
3 working through lunch.

4 Okay. With that, not seeing any other issue,
5 Mr. Aladjem, you're here on behalf of Group 10, the
6 various Delta Flood Control Groups.

7 MR. ALADJEM: That is correct, Hearing Officer
8 Doduc.

9 Good morning, Hearing Officer Doduc, Chair
10 Marcus, Member D'Adamo, staff.

11 David Aladjem, Downey Brand, on behalf of Delta
12 Flood Control Group. Our witness this morning is Gilbert
13 Cosio.

14 GILBERT COSIO, JR.

15 called as a witness by the Delta Flood Control Group,
16 having previously been duly sworn, was examined and
17 testified as follows:

18 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY

19 MR. ALADJEM: Mr. Cosio.

20 WITNESS PAULSEN: Good morning.

21 MR. ALADJEM: Could you please state your full
22 name and spell it for the record.

23 WITNESS PAULSEN: Gilbert Cosio, Jr., and Cosio
24 is spelled C-O-S-I-O.

25 MR. ALADJEM: And Mr. Cosio, have you taken the

1 oath in these proceedings?

2 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes, I have.

3 MR. ALADJEM: Is Delta Flood Control Group 20 a
4 true and correct copy of your surrebuttal testimony that
5 was submitted on behalf of the Delta Flood Control Group
6 to the State Water Board earlier in these proceedings?

7 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes, it is.

8 MR. ALADJEM: Have you had an opportunity,
9 Mr. Cosio, to review your surrebuttal testimony since it
10 was submitted to the State Water Board?

11 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes, I have.

12 MR. ALADJEM: Would you like to make any
13 changes to your surrebuttal testimony at this time, sir?

14 WITNESS PAULSEN: Not at this time, no.

15 MR. ALADJEM: Mr. Cosio, in your surrebuttal
16 testimony, you referred to Delta Flood Control Group 21,
17 which is an excerpt from the Final EIS/EIR for the
18 California WaterFix Project; is that correct?

19 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

20 MR. ALADJEM: Is DFCG-21 a true and correct
21 copy of the excerpted pages from the Final EIS/EIR?

22 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

23 MR. ALADJEM: And Mr. Cosio, as a Professional
24 Engineer, do you regularly use and rely upon
25 environmental documents like the Final EIS/EIR in

1 evaluating projects from an engineering perspective?

2 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes, I do.

3 MR. ALADJEM: Mr. Cosio, in your surrebuttal
4 testimony, you referred to DFCG-22 through 25.

5 Are those technical reports, Corps engineering
6 standards, the type of documents that you would normally
7 use as a Professional Engineer?

8 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes, they are.

9 MR. ALADJEM: And are those exhibits,
10 Mr. Cosio, correct copies of the documents themselves?

11 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

12 MR. ALADJEM: Mr. Cosio, could you please
13 summarize your surrebuttal testimony for the Board.

14 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yeah, just -- just briefly.

15 In the rebuttal testimony of Mr. John
16 Bednarski, the Department of Water Resources has stated
17 that the concerns raised by me in my testimony in these
18 proceedings will be addressed and the modifications
19 incorporated into the project simply by using accepted
20 engineering standard practice and as directed by the
21 Corps of Engineers through the Section 408 permitting
22 process.

23 In support of its position, the Department
24 lists a number of projects that have been constructed
25 successfully in and around the Delta.

1 In my testimony, I raise concerns with the
2 Delta's -- the Department's position since Mr. Bednarski
3 did not present any data to demonstrate similarity
4 between the modifications to the standard engineering
5 practices that were incorporated into these successful
6 projects and the local conditions of the Delta levees
7 around the WaterFix construction sites.

8 In addition, Mr. Bednarski did not present any
9 data indicating whether the projects received input from
10 multiple professionals or whether the projects were
11 reviewed by an independent panel of experts.

12 When subject to input from local experts, and
13 an independent panel of experts, features are often
14 included in the design of projects in the Delta to
15 counter concerns raised by local or independent expert
16 input.

17 In addition, although the regulatory permit
18 processes -- Although the regulatory Permit processes of
19 the Corps of Engineers' design requirements provide a
20 backstop by recommending input from local experts and
21 independent panel of experts, there's no requirement that
22 this is mandatory.

23 For a project that is as important to the State
24 of California as WaterFix, this type of independent
25 review and oversight should be mandatory.

1 It's my professional opinion that: One, there
2 must be an independent review and input into the design
3 and construction of the projects by local engineers with
4 experience in the Delta; and, two, there must be
5 independent review and oversight of the design and
6 construction of the project by a board of national
7 experts as allowed under the Corps of Engineers'
8 engineering circular cited in my written testimony.

9 And that concludes the summary of my testimony
10 this morning.

11 MR. ALADJEM: Chair Doduc, Mr. Cosio's
12 available for cross-examination.

13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.

14 May I ask all parties who plan to conduct
15 cross-examination of Mr. Cosio to please come up,
16 identify yourself and give me a time estimate.

17 Miss McGinnis.

18 MS. MCGINNIS: Good morning, Robin McGinnis for
19 California Department of Water Resources.

20 20 minutes, please.

21 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.

22 And I think you're it, Miss McGinnis, so please
23 come on up.

24 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY

25 MS. MCGINNIS: Good morning, Mr. Cosio.

1 WITNESS PAULSEN: Good morning.

2 MS. MCGINNIS: Thank you for being here today.

3 I just have a couple areas: Accepted
4 engineering practices, and Urban Flood Risk Reduction
5 Program.

6 So, on Page 3, Lines 2 to 5 of your testimony,
7 you state that the conceptual design of the project
8 provides no details on the accepted engineering practices
9 that will be used in performing the work with regard to
10 the protection of levees; correct?

11 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

12 MS. MCGINNIS: Isn't it true that DWR released
13 Conceptual Engineering Reports submitted as DWR-212,
14 which addresses accepted engineering practices?

15 WITNESS PAULSEN: I'm not sure exactly what it
16 addressed.

17 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. Are you aware that
18 Section 15 of that report is entitled "Levees"?

19 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

20 MS. MCGINNIS: And are you aware that
21 Appendix B supports Section 15 with additional conceptual
22 level construction sequencing details?

23 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

24 MS. MCGINNIS: All right. I understand you
25 reviewed Mr. Bednarski's rebuttal testimony; correct?

1 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes, I have.

2 MS. MCGINNIS: Isn't it true that Mr. Bednarski
3 provided detailed engineering practices in his rebuttal
4 testimony?

5 MR. ALADJEM: Objection: Misstates the
6 testimony.

7 Mr. Bednarski's testimony was conceptual as
8 Miss McGinnis just said. This misstates his testimony.

9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss McGinnis,
10 perhaps you could be a little bit more clear, more
11 specific in terms of "engineering practices."

12 MS. MCGINNIS: Sure.

13 So if we could have DWR-75, which is
14 Mr. Bednarski's rebuttal testimony.

15 (Document displayed on screen.)

16 MS. MCGINNIS: And on Page 13, Lines 3 to 16.

17 (Document displayed on screen.)

18 MS. MCGINNIS: So on Line 3, it starts
19 (reading):

20 "DWR will be implementing well accepted
21 engineering practices . . ."

22 Do you see that.

23 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

24 MS. MCGINNIS: And in the next sentence, it
25 says . . . Oh, sorry. "The projects" -- He discussed

1 (reading):

2 "The projects identified above collected
3 subsurface data and performed geotechnical
4 engineering analyses . . ."

5 And further on, in the next sentence (reading):

6 "Detailed settlement monitoring programs were
7 implemented before and during the
8 construction . . ."

9 Correct?

10 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

11 MS. MCGINNIS: So if in that first sentence
12 he's saying that DWR will implement these well accepted
13 engineering practices undertaken for those other
14 projects, isn't it true that he provided these details?

15 MR. ALADJEM: Objection: Misstates the
16 testimony.

17 The testimony says very clearly that DWR will
18 and do assert analyses without specifying the analysis.

19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss McGinnis, where
20 in Mr. Bednarski's rebuttal testimony might the specific
21 approaches and practices be identified to which you are
22 questioning Mr. Cosio?

23 MS. MCGINNIS: Well, I thought those were
24 specific measures, but . . .

25 In the next paragraph, it says (reading):

1 "DWR . . . committed to . . . perform detailed
2 engineering analyses, including geotechnical
3 studies, to determine the appropriate pile types and
4 installation methods during design for the proposed
5 CWF facilities."

6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: That's what it says.
7 And your question to Mr. Cosio is?

8 MS. MCGINNIS: So does that change his opinion
9 that -- in his testimony that no details on the accepted
10 engineering practices were provided.

11 WITNESS PAULSEN: No, it does not.

12 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Cosio, let me
13 pursue this line of questioning.

14 What additional technical engineering analysis
15 and studies would you have liked to see in order to
16 change your answer?

17 WITNESS PAULSEN: Well, every one of those
18 projects was different --

19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Yes, it is.

20 WITNESS PAULSEN: -- so every one of them has
21 different conditions, soil conditions, so you can't --
22 it's not a cookie-cutter type approach. Its accepted
23 engineer practices is really not defined anywhere and so
24 each project is different.

25 One project on Mr. Bednarski's list I'm

1 familiar with was the Contra Costa County Water District
2 project.

3 And that one had come to a certain conclusion
4 using accepted engineering practices and then, when they
5 went to get their permits from the levee District to
6 build the project on their levee, they're hit with all
7 sorts of additional conditions.

8 And the reason I'm familiar with that is
9 because we worked for Contra Costa and they called me to
10 ask, "Are these requests from the Reclamation District
11 reasonable?"

12 And my answer was yes, because these problems
13 that were not anticipated in the design using accepted
14 engineering practices have -- have occurred.

15 And so they ended up implementing a lot more of
16 the monitoring that went on during construction to
17 satisfy the local experts' concerns.

18 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss McGinnis, back
19 to you.

20 MS. MCGINNIS: Great.

21 So, are you aware that the Final EIR/EIS for
22 the California WaterFix has an Appendix 3B entitled
23 "Environmental Commitments"?

24 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

25 MS. MCGINNIS: And Section 3B.2.1.1 is entitled

1 "Geotechnical Investigations"?

2 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

3 MS. MCGINNIS: And the next section is entitled
4 "Settlement Monitoring and Response Program"?

5 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

6 MS. MCGINNIS: Last one: Section 3B.2.2 is
7 entitled "Conform with Applicable Design Standards and
8 Building Codes."

9 Does that sound right?

10 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

11 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay.

12 (Pause in proceedings.)

13 MS. MCGINNIS: And just to confirm: Your
14 understanding's that this project is at the conceptual
15 design phase; correct.

16 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

17 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. Okay. Are you aware that
18 there are no urban levees associated with the WaterFix
19 Project?

20 WITNESS PAULSEN: As far as the levees I've
21 looked at, they are not urban levees, yes.

22 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. One minute while I gather
23 my thoughts.

24 That's all. Thank you.

25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you,

1 Miss McGinnis.

2 Any other cross?

3 Not seeing --

4 Any redirect, Mr. Aladjem?

5 MR. ALADJEM: Just one question.

6 REDIRECT EXAMINATION BY

7 MR. ALADJEM: Mr. Cosio, Ms. McGinnis asked you
8 whether the Building Code applies to levees.

9 Do you recall that question?

10 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes, I do.

11 MR. ALADJEM: The California Building Code does
12 not apply to levees; isn't that correct?

13 WITNESS PAULSEN: That's correct.

14 MR. ALADJEM: Thank you.

15 No further questions.

16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Any recross?

17 All right. Not seeing any, thank you,

18 Mr. Cosio.

19 (Witness excused.)

20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. I will
21 now ask City of Brentwood to come up and -- with
22 Dr. Paulsen.

23 My understanding is that Brentwood and then
24 Stockton, then we'll follow by Antioch is the order.

25 Miss Taber.

1 MS. TABER: Hi. Good morning. Actually, we
2 would like to propose that Antioch go after Brentwood.
3 Antioch has a very short opinion and that would be more
4 efficient.

5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. We will
6 switch that order.

7 MR. ALADJEM: Chair Doduc, before we begin with
8 Dr. Paulsen, on behalf of the Delta Flood Control Group,
9 I'd like to move -- offer and move DFCG-20 through, I
10 believe it is, 25 -- Mr. Hunt, is that the right -- are
11 those the right numbers? -- into evidence.

12 And we will be submitting a formal letter
13 offering these into evidence with the Exhibit
14 Identification Index which I believe is already
15 submitted. We'll submit it again tomorrow.

16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay. I think, to
17 follow our usual practice in accepting exhibits from
18 groups, even though it's a formality in this case, let's
19 wait until the City of Brentwood finishes your
20 surrebuttal and then we'll move exhibits for both
21 parties -- both groups -- I guess one group, both
22 parties, at the same time.

23 MR. ALADJEM: That will be fine.

24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: You may begin.

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1 SUSAN PAULSEN,
2 called as a witness for the Delta Flood Control Group,
3 having been previously duly sworn, testified further as
4 follows:

5 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY

6 MR. ALADJEM: Good morning, Dr. Paulsen.

7 WITNESS PAULSEN: Good morning.

8 MR. ALADJEM: Could you please state your full
9 name for the record and spell your last name.

10 WITNESS PAULSEN: My name is Susan Paulsen,
11 P-A-U-L-S-E-N.

12 MR. ALADJEM: And, Dr. Paulsen, have you taken
13 the oath in these proceedings?

14 WITNESS PAULSEN: I have.

15 MR. ALADJEM: Dr. Paulsen, is Brentwood-120 a
16 true and correct copy of the summary of your written
17 surrebuttal testimony that was submitted on behalf of the
18 City of Brentwood in these proceedings?

19 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

20 MR. ALADJEM: Is Brentwood-121 a true and
21 correct copy of a report you prepared for the City of
22 Brentwood in the surrebuttal proceedings?

23 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

24 MR. ALADJEM: Did you prepare that report,
25 Dr. Paulsen?

1 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes, I did.

2 MR. ALADJEM: Do you -- Does that report
3 reflect your professional opinion as to the subjects
4 contained therein?

5 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes, it does.

6 MR. ALADJEM: So, Dr. Paulsen, is it the case
7 that the conclusions you offered in Brentwood-120 and
8 your oral testimony this morning are based on the
9 technical analyses and discussions set forth in
10 Brentwood-121?

11 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

12 MR. ALADJEM: So, in that regard, Brentwood-121
13 contains your testimony regarding the technical analysis
14 you performed for -- about the California WaterFix
15 Project.

16 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

17 MR. ALADJEM: Would you say, Dr. Paulsen, that
18 Brentwood-121 supplements and explains the opinions
19 offered in your written summary of testimony and your
20 oral testimony you'll give this morning?

21 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes, I would.

22 MR. ALADJEM: And do you affirm that the
23 statements contained in Brentwood-121 are correct to the
24 best of your knowledge?

25 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

1 MR. ALADJEM: Dr. Paulsen, is Brentwood-122 a
2 PowerPoint presentation that was submitted to the State
3 Water Board in these proceedings?

4 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

5 MR. ALADJEM: And, Dr. Paulsen, are all of the
6 figures contained in Brentwood-122 taken from
7 Brentwood-121?

8 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes, they are.

9 MR. ALADJEM: Did you make any modifications to
10 the figures shown in Brentwood-122 from the way that they
11 were depicted in Brentwood-121?

12 WITNESS PAULSEN: No. They should match.

13 MR. ALADJEM: Okay. Have you had a chance,
14 Dr. Paulsen, since Brentwood-120 through 122 were
15 submitted to the State Water Board, to review those
16 exhibits?

17 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

18 MR. ALADJEM: Would you like to make any
19 changes to those documents this morning?

20 WITNESS PAULSEN: No.

21 MR. ALADJEM: Dr. Paulsen, could you please
22 briefly summarize the key points of your surrebuttal
23 testimony.

24 WITNESS PAULSEN: Sure.

25 Would it be possible to bring up the

1 PowerPoint, which is Brentwood-122, please.

2 (Document displayed on screen.)

3 WITNESS PAULSEN: Thank you.

4 All right. I would like to offer three
5 surrebuttal opinions in response primarily to
6 Dr. Nader-Tehrani's rebuttal testimony, and I'd like to
7 use those slides to walk through those opinions.

8 Next slide, please.

9 (Document displayed on screen.)

10 WITNESS PAULSEN: The first opinion that I'd
11 like to offer is in response to Dr. Nader-Tehrani's
12 rebuttal testimony that the DSM-2 model results
13 evaluating compliance with D-1641 objectives were not
14 real.

15 I disagree with that conclusion.

16 DSM-2 is a well-understood, well-established
17 model. It's regularly used to simulate hydrodynamics in
18 salinity within the Delta and we use it regularly in
19 planning exercises. So we rely upon DSM-2 to evaluate
20 and compare alternative management scenarios or
21 alternative projects.

22 And, in addition, we've compared the input
23 files that were used in the modeling exercise that we're
24 looking at here and, for the most part, those are
25 identical. The same hydrologic sequence is simulated in

1 all of the simulations, the same title sequence, the same
2 meteorological parameters, et cetera.

3 The main differences, in addition to climate
4 change and sea-level rise, which is in the NAA and
5 project scenarios but not in the Existing Condition
6 Scenario, the main differences are the exports, the
7 diversions, and the Delta inflows. And those all come
8 from the WaterFix simulations directly, so those are a
9 function of the WaterFix Project, or the lack thereof.

10 Dr. Nader-Tehrani offered four potential
11 explanations for why the model results were not real in
12 terms of assessing D-1641 objective exceedance --
13 objective exceedances, and to illustrate why I disagree
14 with that, I'd like to refer to this figure.

15 This figure was originally presented in
16 Brentwood-102 as Figure 4, and it shows the daily average
17 chloride concentrations from DWR's DSM-2 simulation
18 results at Pumping Plant 1 which is also Brentwood's
19 primary intake location for Water Years 1978 and 1979.

20 Dr. Nader-Tehrani first stated that modeled
21 exceedances can be the result of, quote, "a stressed
22 CVP/SWP system under extreme operational conditions," end
23 of quote. But extreme operational conditions occur
24 during drought years and critical years. And the years
25 that are shown on this figure are above-normal and

1 below-normal years, so extreme conditions don't explain
2 these exceedances.

3 And then next he explained that there were
4 three modeling limitations that could result in
5 exceedances.

6 The first of those was transitions in water
7 quality standards either within or between months. But
8 the 250-milligram chloride objective does not transition
9 between months; rather, it applies to every single day
10 every year. So I conclude that that doesn't explain
11 these exceedances.

12 The second explanation was related to the
13 downscaling of monthly CalSim model output into the daily
14 time series that's used in DSM-2.

15 And, in my opinion and experience, that
16 explanation can't explain exceedances that last for very
17 long periods of time. On this graph, you can see
18 exceedances that last for up to 85 consecutive days, so
19 that downscaling shouldn't be responsible for that kind
20 of exceedance.

21 And then, third, Dr. Nader-Tehrani asserted
22 that the Artificial Neural Network, the ANN, can cause
23 days of exceedance at a time when CalSim II shows that
24 standards will be met but DSM-2 does not.

25 Again, this explanation doesn't appear to

1 describe the kinds of exceedances that we see here,
2 again, for up to 85 days at a time, not for a shorter
3 time period.

4 In summary, because DSM-2 is a well-accepted
5 and widely-used modeling tool, and because
6 Dr. Nader-Tehrani's explanations don't appear to me to
7 explain the exceedances that we see in DWR's model
8 results, I conclude that the model results do provide a
9 real indication of the likely rate of exceedance of water
10 quality objectives.

11 I think we can skip the next slide.

12 (Document displayed on screen.)

13 WITNESS PAULSEN: And next.

14 (Document displayed on screen.)

15 WITNESS PAULSEN: Thank you.

16 The second opinion that I'd like to offer has
17 to do with the methods that DWR used to evaluate water
18 quality objective exceedances.

19 And, specifically, Dr. Nader-Tehrani said that
20 probability exceedance diagrams, such as the one shown
21 here, were the best way that he knew to assess compliance
22 with water quality objectives.

23 MR. ALADJEM: Dr. Paulsen, what slide is this?

24 WITNESS PAULSEN: Oh, I apologize. I don't
25 think the slide has a number, but this is Slide 4 in

1 Brentwood-122. And this figure is Figure 3 from
2 Brentwood-121 which in turn was copied from DWR-513,
3 Figure C5.

4 What this figure shows is the probability of
5 meeting the D-1641 250-milligram per liter chloride
6 objective at Pumping Plant No. 1. And you can see where
7 those lines cross above the red dashed line. Those are
8 days in which the objective would not be met.

9 I disagree that this is the best way to
10 evaluate compliance with those objectives, and I'd like
11 to show you why.

12 First, the thing to note with this is, this is
13 a probability diagram for the entire 16-year period.

14 The next slide shows the data from which this
15 diagram was derived.

16 (Document displayed on screen.)

17 WITNESS PAULSEN: This is a plot of the --

18 MR. ALADJEM: Hold on.

19 WITNESS PAULSEN: I'm sorry.

20 MR. ALADJEM: Again, can you please identify
21 the slide.

22 WITNESS PAULSEN: Sure. This is Slide 5 in the
23 sequence. This is Brentwood-121 Figure 4.

24 This slide shows the daily average chloride
25 concentrations that were simulated by DSM-2 for the NAA,

1 the No-Action, and the Boundary 1 scenarios. And this,
2 again, is the same information that was shown in
3 cumulative probability format on the prior slide but
4 already provides a lot more detail in terms of when these
5 exceedances are expected to occur.

6 We can also break this information into year
7 types and use cumulative probability diagrams for
8 individual hydrologic year types to evaluate these
9 exceedances.

10 In the interest of time, I think we can also
11 skip the next two slides.

12 (Document displayed on screen.)

13 WITNESS PAULSEN: And one more.

14 (Document displayed on screen.)

15 WITNESS PAULSEN: This is Slide 8 in the
16 sequence. This is from Brentwood-121, Figure 7.

17 And this slide shows the probability exceedance
18 diagram for chloride at Pumping Plant No. 1 for dry
19 years -- for dry years in the 16-year period.

20 I was initially quite surprised that the
21 highest level of exceedances were simulated to occur in
22 normal and dry-year types, but maybe I shouldn't have
23 been. Because in wet years, there's plenty of water and
24 we generally have fewer exceedances, and in critical
25 years we know that the WaterFix Project will divert less

1 water in the future than it would without the Project.

2 So we see the greatest impacts in dry and normal years.

3 So this graph shows the exceedance diagram for
4 dry years, and it's shown in terms of the absolute value
5 of chloride. So you can see a dashed line, the top
6 dashed line and the 250-milligram-per-liter chloride
7 line.

8 What this diagram shows is that the Boundary 1
9 scenario exceeds the 250-milligram-per-liter chloride
10 threshold about 10 percent of the time, or roughly 37
11 days per year on average in dry-year types. And that's
12 about 37 percent more frequently than for the 16-year
13 simulation period as a -- as a whole.

14 The next slide --

15 (Document displayed on screen.)

16 WITNESS PAULSEN: -- which is Brentwood-121
17 Figure 8, shows the cumulative probability diagram for
18 normal years. And normal years were above-normal and
19 below-normal years. There are three of those year types
20 in the 16-year simulation period.

21 What we see is that the Boundary 1 scenario
22 exceeds the 250-milligram-per-liter threshold about
23 15 percent of the time, or about 55 days per year on
24 average. So in normal year types, the rate of exceedance
25 for the Boundary 1 scenario is approximately double that

1 for the 16-year simulation period as a whole.

2 Again, because DWR's presented a lot of this
3 information in the form of probability exceedance
4 diagrams for the full 16-year period, you can't really
5 discern this level of detail from that information.

6 The next slide is for wet-year types, and I
7 think we can skip that.

8 (Document displayed on screen.)

9 WITNESS PAULSEN: And then, finally, this slide
10 shows Brentwood-121 Figure 10.

11 And what I showed in the probability exceedance
12 diagrams that we just looked at is that the exceedance
13 rate in some year types is greater in those year types
14 than for the 16-year period as a whole.

15 What we can do is then tabulate the number of
16 days in the dry and the normal year types to see how
17 frequently the 250-milligram-per-liter threshold will be
18 exceeded. And what we see here is the number of days on
19 average that it would be exceeded in dry-year types --
20 those are the bars of the left -- and in Normal Water
21 Year types on the right. The NAA is shown as blue and
22 the Boundary 1 scenario is shown in red.

23 So what this diagram shows is that the
24 Boundary 1 scenario would exceed the
25 250-milligram-per-liter chloride threshold about 19 days

1 more per year than the No-Action Alternative in dry
2 years, and about 17 days per year more than the NAA in
3 normal year types.

4 And the reason this is important is because, in
5 the 16-year period of record, dry and normal year types
6 occur about 44 percent of the time, but in the historical
7 record, they occur about 55 percent of the time.

8 So, what these model results show is that we
9 can expect this magnitude, a substantial increase in the
10 number of days of non-compliance of the
11 250-milligram-per-liter threshold, about 55 percent of
12 the time.

13 As I discussed in the first opinion, I do
14 believe that DSM-2 is the appropriate tool to evaluate
15 the question of water quality objective exceedances but
16 that DWR could have provided additional information that
17 would have been very useful in understanding when those
18 exceedances are expected to occur and what they would
19 mean for drinking water operators within the Delta.

20 Next slide, please.

21 (Document displayed on screen.)

22 WITNESS PAULSEN: Thank you.

23 The last opinion has to do with the
24 EC-to-chloride conversion factor.

25 This shows Brentwood-121 Figure 11.

1 In his rebuttal testimony, Dr. Nader-Tehrani
2 expressed doubt about the EC-to-chloride conversion
3 factor that we, exponent, used in our analysis of the
4 DSM-2 results. And he seemed to imply that we might have
5 used an incorrect conversion factor or that our choice of
6 conversion factor might have biased our conclusions.

7 The conversion factor that we used was derived
8 by Guivetchi, and it can be found in a memo on DWR's
9 DSM-2 website.

10 Guivetchi calculated conversion factors for
11 different locations in the Delta using measured chloride
12 and EC levels at those locations. And he did that
13 because the conversion factor isn't uniform throughout
14 the Delta, because the composition of water changes
15 throughout the Delta. In contrast, it appears that DWR
16 used a fixed conversion factor at all locations within
17 the Delta. And so we constructed this graph to compare
18 the two conversion factors.

19 What you can see is, on the left-hand side of
20 the diagram, below a concentration of about 92 and a half
21 milligrams per liter, those lines are pretty close. But
22 to the right of that level, you can see DWR's conversion
23 factor in red and the conversion factor that we used in
24 blue.

25 And you can see that DWR's conversion factor

1 yields a higher chloride concentration than the
2 conversion factor that we used at levels above about
3 92 milligrams per liter.

4 Because the conversion factor that we used
5 yields a lower chloride concentration than the conversion
6 factor used by DWR, our calculated chloride
7 concentrations are actually lower across most of the
8 range than those calculated by DWR, and so I conclude
9 that there are small differences in these conversion
10 factors but they don't at all change our conclusions or
11 analysis in this matter.

12 Thank you.

13 MR. ALADJEM: Chair Doduc, Dr. Paulsen's
14 available for cross-examination.

15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Thank
16 you.

17 Parties, please come up, identify yourself, and
18 give me a time estimate for cross-examination.

19 And since I only see the Department,
20 Mr. Mizell, you might as well take a seat.

21 (Pause in proceedings.)

22 MR. MIZELL: Thank you.

23 Tripp Mizell, Department of Water Resources.

24 I will be focusing on the compliance with
25 D-1641 indicated by DSM-2, which I believe is identified

1 as Opinion 2 in Dr. Paulsen's testimony, and modeling
2 anomalies, which I believe is identified as Opinion 1 in
3 Dr. Paulsen's testimony.

4 I would expect to question 45 minutes at the
5 outside, but I believe I can make that shorter.

6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Thank
7 you.

8 Please proceed.

9 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY

10 MR. MIZELL: Dr. Paulsen, good morning.

11 WITNESS PAULSEN: Good morning.

12 MR. MIZELL: I'd like to just review what I
13 think you were just summarizing for the Board with
14 regards to your Opinion 2, and maybe I can shortcut some
15 of the foundational questions I was going to ask.

16 And I'm going to do this without any intention
17 to try and trap you. I just want you to explain if I
18 have the -- have the basis of it correct.

19 So just to review: Your verbal testimony
20 reviewed the graphs on Brentwood-121 Figures 6 through 9,
21 and based on those figures, you're focused on normal and
22 dry years and the Boundary 1 scenario; is that correct?

23 WITNESS PAULSEN: Sorry. You said
24 Brentwood-121 Figures . . .

25 MR. MIZELL: Six through nine.

1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Dr. Paulsen, please
2 make sure your microphone is on.

3 WITNESS PAULSEN: Oh, I'm sorry. I think it
4 is.

5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay. Move it
6 closer to your face.

7 WITNESS PAULSEN: Sure.

8 We -- We did two things: In evaluating the
9 model anomalies for extreme conditions --

10 MR. MIZELL: Um-hmm.

11 WITNESS PAULSEN: -- we looked at the model
12 output. I think we focused on the Figure 1 from
13 Brentwood-121.

14 MR. MIZELL: Okay.

15 WITNESS PAULSEN: But I --

16 MR. MIZELL: That wasn't what I asked you. The
17 question was what you had reviewed with the Board.

18 If we could just bring up Brentwood-121 and I
19 believe it's Pages 15 and 16.

20 (Document displayed on screen.)

21 MR. MIZELL: I guess that would be one more
22 page.

23 (Document displayed on screen.)

24 MR. MIZELL: There you go.

25 These are the chloride graphs for each of the

1 Water Year types; is that correct?

2 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

3 MR. MIZELL: Okay. And you just reviewed these
4 in your verbal testimony?

5 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes. They had been copied
6 into the PowerPoint.

7 MR. MIZELL: Correct.

8 And so what I thought I understood from your
9 summary is that the critical years -- and if we go to the
10 next page -- the wet years --

11 (Document displayed on screen.)

12 MR. MIZELL: -- show that the scenarios are
13 equal or better water quality than the No-Action
14 Alternative.

15 And so your focus was, instead, on the dry
16 years and the normal years where the Boundary 1 scenario
17 appeared to have a worse water quality.

18 Is that a fair assessment?

19 WITNESS PAULSEN: The -- We did focus on the
20 Boundary 1 scenarios. Obviously, other scenarios are
21 shown on these plots.

22 MR. MIZELL: Okay. So if we could . . .

23 I think I can skip those.

24 So I would like to look at Page 11, which I
25 suppose may be .pdf Page 12.

1 (Document displayed on screen.)

2 MR. MIZELL: And in the middle of the main
3 paragraph, you describe Figure 3 as having a 7 percent
4 exceedance rate. It's just to the left of where the
5 cursor is.

6 Do you see that, middle of the paragraph?

7 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

8 MR. MIZELL: And you agree with the statement
9 that Figure 3 shows a 7 percent.

10 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes. It's hard to read
11 directly off of that but, yes, we looked at that. It's
12 410 days.

13 MR. MIZELL: And if we could go to Figure 5 of
14 this exhibit.

15 (Document displayed on screen.)

16 MR. MIZELL: And your Figure 5 also shows a
17 7 percent exceedance rate for Boundary 1.

18 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

19 MR. MIZELL: And for the No-Action Alternative?

20 WITNESS PAULSEN: They look to be a little bit
21 different but they're similar.

22 MR. MIZELL: Now, your Figure 5 here is meant
23 to so -- show the same information that's found in
24 Table 5 from Exhibit Brentwood-102; is that correct?

25 WITNESS PAULSEN: (Examining document.)

1 Let me make sure I have the right . . .

2 (Searching through document.)

3 Yes.

4 MR. MIZELL: Okay. If we could pull up
5 DWR-956.

6 (Document displayed on screen.)

7 MR. MIZELL: Is there a way to get the whole
8 page on the screen?

9 (Document displayed on screen.)

10 WITNESS PAULSEN: I should probably clarify
11 that, obviously, different scenarios are shown one to the
12 other. The table doesn't include the numerical
13 information for all the scenarios that are depicted in
14 the figure.

15 MR. MIZELL: Good clarification.

16 I'll be focusing on Boundary 1. Can we agree
17 that Boundary 1 is shown on both the table and the
18 figure?

19 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

20 MR. MIZELL: So it's your intention that these
21 show the same data.

22 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

23 MR. MIZELL: Okay. Okay. If we could bring up
24 DWR-957.

25 (Document displayed on screen.)

1 MR. MIZELL: And 957 is now showing your
2 Figure 3 and your Figure 5.

3 And is it the case that these two figures show
4 the same data with regards to Boundary 1?

5 WITNESS PAULSEN: They're presented with a
6 different Y-Axis but, yes, they are intended to show the
7 same information.

8 (Pause in proceedings.)

9 MR. MIZELL: And if we could bring up
10 Brentwood-121, Page 14, again.

11 (Document displayed on screen.)

12 MR. MIZELL: Sorry, .pdf Page 15.

13 (Document displayed on screen.)

14 MR. MIZELL: Sorry. Scroll to the top of the
15 page, please.

16 (Scrolling up document.)

17 MR. MIZELL: All right. Your first full
18 paragraph on this page describes what I believe is the
19 data that is in your Figures 3, 5 and intended to be in
20 Table 5 as well; is that correct?

21 WITNESS PAULSEN: I'm sorry. Could you repeat
22 that?

23 The first paragraph?

24 MR. MIZELL: Right. The paragraph that
25 starts, "Additional useful information."

1 WITNESS PAULSEN: Okay.

2 MR. MIZELL: The data within that paragraph,
3 the numbers within that paragraph showing a 7 percent
4 exceedance 27 days per year, 410 days in the simulation
5 period. That's intended to summarize the data behind
6 Figure 5 -- your Figure 5 --

7 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

8 MR. MIZELL: -- and your Figure 3?

9 WITNESS PAULSEN: I didn't prepare Figure 3.
10 That's a DWR figure.

11 MR. MIZELL: I understand. But we just --

12 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

13 MR. MIZELL: -- described that they have the
14 same dataset, so characterized in a slightly different
15 matter but same data.

16 So this would also summarize Figure 3?

17 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

18 MR. MIZELL: And it was intended to also
19 summarize Table 5?

20 WITNESS PAULSEN: They were intended to be
21 consistent.

22 (Pause in proceedings.)

23 MR. MIZELL: Could we bring up DWR-958, please.

24 (Document displayed on screen.)

25 MR. MIZELL: I'll give you a chance to review

1 the text.

2 WITNESS PAULSEN: (Examining document.)

3 MR. MIZELL: So, in the highlighted text on
4 DWR-958, you list that approximately 55 days per year for
5 normal Water Years was the exceedance rate; is that
6 correct?

7 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

8 MR. MIZELL: And if we scroll up to Figure 10,
9 under normal Water Years --

10 (Scrolling up document.)

11 MR. MIZELL: -- is your graph showing an
12 exceedance rate of 71 days instead?

13 WITNESS PAULSEN: It is. I agree that there's
14 an inconsistency.

15 MR. MIZELL: And would that inconsistency be
16 driven potentially by a calculation error that is
17 contained in Table 5?

18 WITNESS PAULSEN: I don't know. Clearly, there
19 is an inconsistency. I would need to track down exactly
20 how that happened. It shouldn't have.

21 MR. MIZELL: And just for my own sake, so that
22 I'm not missing my own point here:

23 Table 5 is the basis of your Table 6, which is
24 the basis of Figure 10; is that correct?

25 WITNESS PAULSEN: Table 5 from . . .

1 MR. MIZELL: From your Exhibit 102.

2 WITNESS PAULSEN: From 102 is the basis for
3 again?

4 MR. MIZELL: Table 6, Brentwood-102.

5 WITNESS PAULSEN: (Examining document.)

6 Yes, that is intended to be the summary -- I
7 mean, Table 6 is intended to summarize by Water Year type
8 the information contained in Table 5 of Brentwood-102.

9 MR. MIZELL: And then Figure 10 is based upon
10 Table 6 of Brentwood-102.

11 WITNESS PAULSEN: And, again, this is Figure 10
12 of Brentwood --

13 MR. MIZELL: 121.

14 WITNESS PAULSEN: -- 121.

15 MR. MIZELL: Correct.

16 WITNESS PAULSEN: They are intended to be
17 consistent.

18 MR. MIZELL: Okay. Great.

19 So if we could go to Brentwood-102 Table 5 --

20 (Document displayed on screen.)

21 MR. MIZELL: -- which I believe is Page 59.

22 (Document displayed on screen.)

23 MR. MIZELL: And I don't want to -- I don't
24 want to belabor this point, so maybe I'll try something
25 creative here and you can ask me for a calculator if

1 I'm -- if I botch it.

2 The column under B1 of Table 5, Brentwood-102,
3 according to the text you've included in Brentwood-121
4 should total to 410 days in the simulation period.

5 Is that your understanding?

6 WITNESS PAULSEN: I can see that it totaled
7 more than that --

8 MR. MIZELL: Okay.

9 WITNESS PAULSEN: -- but it was the intention
10 for these numbers to be inconsistent.

11 MR. MIZELL: Thank you. I think that's all I
12 have to do on there. I don't need to have you total them
13 up unless you want to.

14 WITNESS PAULSEN: I can tell by eyeballing
15 them, I think they'll be greater.

16 MR. MIZELL: Okay. I'd like to move on to your
17 Opinion 1, which is the modeling anomalies.

18 So, in your verbal testimony just now, when you
19 were describing your first opinion on modeling anomalies,
20 you indicated that Dr. Nader-Tehrani stated that there's
21 a modeling anomaly in DSM-2.

22 WITNESS PAULSEN: I think he called it model
23 limitations. I apologize if I got the terminology wrong.

24 MR. MIZELL: Okay. Do you have a citation for
25 where Dr. Nader-Tehrani explains that DSM-2 as a modeling

1 limitation or modeling anomaly?

2 WITNESS PAULSEN: I believe I do. Just a
3 moment.

4 At, let's see, DWR-79 on Page 36, I believe
5 that that testimony states (reading):

6 ". . . The modeled exceedances of all the
7 scenarios presented during (sic) the hearing,
8 including the NAA, are a result of: (1) limitations
9 of the modeling process used in analyzing the CWF
10 scenarios, or (2) a stressed CVP/SWP system under
11 extreme operational conditions."

12 And I believe that he also said at DWR-79,
13 Page 45, that, quote (reading):

14 ". . . The modeled exceedances in D-1641
15 agricultural, municipal, and industrial water
16 quality objectives are not real, and occur mainly
17 due to a difference in the assumptions in DSM-2 and
18 CalSim II, including a difference in the size of the
19 time-step in the two models."

20 So I guess it's the first of those two quotes
21 that uses the modeling limitation language.

22 MR. MIZELL: Thank you.

23 And that first quote doesn't specify that it is
24 DSM-2 that we're talking about, so it could be CalSim ANN
25 module; is that correct?

1 WITNESS PAULSEN: It talks about the modeling
2 process, and I assume by that he means the CalSim and
3 DSM-2 analysis, that together, you know, was used to
4 generate the model results.

5 MR. MIZELL: Okay. Thank you for that
6 clarification. That's helpful.

7 And your first opinion, if I can, again, try to
8 attempt to encapsulate it, is that modeling anomalies --
9 and I'll use that term to be both the limitation language
10 you talked about and the anomaly language in your
11 testimony -- that those modeling anomalies cannot persist
12 beyond one month; is that correct?

13 MR. ALADJEM: Objection: Misstates the
14 testimony.

15 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yeah. I didn't --

16 MR. MIZELL: I'm happy to take her summary of
17 it.

18 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Dr. Paulsen, please
19 state what your intention was with that statement.

20 WITNESS PAULSEN: My intention was to talk
21 about the difference in the time-step between the two
22 models and that CalSim II uses a monthly time-step
23 whereas DSM-2 simulates hydrodynamics in salinity within
24 the Delta on a 15-minute time-step and to talk about
25 the . . . sort of how the model responds to the step

1 function, if you will, in the CalSim results.

2 Did I answer your question? I've forgotten
3 your question.

4 MR. MIZELL: It's good -- good reference
5 material.

6 I was looking to see if you drew a conclusion
7 as to whether or not a modeling anomaly could persist
8 longer than one month.

9 WITNESS PAULSEN: Well, I drew the conclusion
10 that the high daily chloride concentrations up to 85 days
11 at a time should not result from the three explanations
12 that Dr. Nader-Tehrani presented.

13 MR. MIZELL: If we could bring up
14 Brentwood-121.

15 (Document displayed on screen.)

16 MR. MIZELL: I believe it's Page 9.

17 (Document displayed on screen.)

18 MR. MIZELL: And on to 10.

19 (Document displayed on screen.)

20 MR. MIZELL: Okay. At the top of Page 10,
21 please.

22 (Document enlarged on screen.)

23 MR. MIZELL: And this -- this statement that
24 begins with "however" at the top of Page 10 on
25 Brentwood-121 is what you were just explaining to us,

1 that it's not your opinion that modeling anomaly would
2 result in a chloride objective exceedance for a full
3 month or more, and you used the 1978 85-day exceedance as
4 an example.

5 WITNESS PAULSEN: I think I rephrased it
6 slightly. I didn't say it quite that way.

7 (Pause in proceedings.)

8 WITNESS PAULSEN: Would you like me to explain?

9 MR. MIZELL: Well, how about we just focus on:
10 Do you believe the modeling anomaly could
11 result in a water quality exceedance longer than one
12 month?

13 WITNESS PAULSEN: The third model limitation
14 that Dr. Nader-Tehrani discussed was that . . . even when
15 the ANN predicts -- and I'm quoting his language
16 (reading):

17 "In some cases, even though the ANN predicts
18 that the objective would be met on a monthly average
19 basis, it can be an imperfect predictor of
20 compliance on the time-step, (for example, daily
21 standard) and averaging basis (for example 14-day
22 running average) that these objectives need to be
23 met. Thus when using the CalSim II results in such
24 cases, the DSM-2 results may indicate an exceedance
25 of a salinity standard, when CalSim II does not."

1 So my understanding is that CalSim II operates
2 on a monthly time-step and that I think what he was
3 saying is that CalSim may show that the salinity standard
4 is met but DSM-2, using the CalSim output as input, does
5 not.

6 So that's how I interpret that statement.

7 And it seems inconsistent to me to have a DSM-2
8 model result with an exceedance that's pretty large and
9 extends for a long time, certainly longer than a month
10 timeframe, that that could be explained by that
11 explanation, if I said that clearly. That wasn't very
12 clear.

13 MR. MIZELL: Okay.

14 WITNESS PAULSEN: Am I making sense?

15 MR. MIZELL: I think I've got it.

16 So you would disagree with the following
17 statement: A water quality exceedance that persisted
18 longer than one month is explained by a modeling anomaly.

19 MR. ALADJEM: Objection.

20 WITNESS PAULSEN: I didn't say that.

21 MR. ALADJEM: Objection: This is
22 unintelligible.

23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Mizell, I'm not
24 sure that I follow in terms of taking what Dr. Susan --
25 Dr. Paulsen said in her testimony, written and verbal,

1 and expanding it to such a generalized statement is
2 helpful.

3 MR. MIZELL: I will do my best to -- to bring
4 it back to the testimony on the page.

5 Dr. Paulsen, your statement here reads that
6 (reading):

7 ". . . Simulated exceedances of the 250
8 milligrams per liter chloride objective that persist
9 for a full month or more . . . do not appear to be
10 consistent with ANN model results indicating that
11 the objective would be met on a monthly average
12 basis and therefore cannot be explained by
13 'imperfect' ANN prediction."

14 Is the "imperfect ANN prediction" synonymous
15 with "modeling anomaly" as you used the term in your
16 testimony?

17 WITNESS PAULSEN: Say that last bit -- Say the
18 question part one more time.

19 MR. MIZELL: Is "modeling anomaly" as you used
20 it in your testimony synonymous with "imperfect ANN
21 prediction" as described here in this paragraph -- in
22 this statement?

23 MR. ALADJEM: Objection: Misstates the
24 testimony.

25 She's already said there are a number of

1 different elements that go into a modeling anomaly.

2 WITNESS PAULSEN: I think Dr. Nader-Tehrani's
3 testimony was about three specific model limitations.

4 And what I did was to try to look at the
5 simulated -- the DSM-2 results for daily chloride at this
6 location over the timeframe that we looked at in the
7 figure to see if those three explanations, in my
8 experience, could explain that lengthy period of pretty
9 high chloride concentrations.

10 MR. MIZELL: Um-hmm.

11 WITNESS PAULSEN: And, in my experience, they
12 don't appear to.

13 MR. MIZELL: Okay. I think you have given
14 me -- Yes, so I will move on.

15 WITNESS PAULSEN: I don't think I'd call that a
16 "yes."

17 MR. MIZELL: I'll just --

18 WITNESS PAULSEN: I would stick with my
19 explanation, please.

20 MR. MIZELL: Very good.

21 WITNESS PAULSEN: Thank you.

22 MR. MIZELL: Brentwood-121, Page 7, please.

23 (Document displayed on screen.)

24 MR. MIZELL: This would be Figure 1.

25 (Scrolling down document.)

1 MR. MIZELL: There we go.

2 So, Dr. Paulsen, would you state that it is
3 possible for water quality effects from a spike in
4 chloride to last longer than one month, as indicated in
5 your Figure 1?

6 WITNESS PAULSEN: What do you mean by
7 "effects"?

8 MR. MIZELL: As in, would it remain above the
9 250-milligram standard for longer than one month?

10 MR. ALADJEM: Objection: Vague and ambiguous.
11 What is a spike in chloride? How long -- What
12 do we define it as, et cetera?

13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: No. I'm going to
14 overrule you on that because I want to know the answer to
15 this one.

16 She -- She said in her testimony that she
17 believes these results are real, and I believe that's
18 where Mr. Mizell is exploring -- or at least I think
19 that's what he's exploring.

20 MR. MIZELL: Trying my best.

21 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.

22 WITNESS PAULSEN: What this figure shows is the
23 DSM-2 model output for the simulated daily chloride
24 concentration at this location over the time period.

25 MR. MIZELL: And has it been your testimony you

1 believe these exceedances above the 250-milligram
2 standard are expected to be real exceedances?

3 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yeah. I tried to be really
4 clear about that in the report.

5 And, in my opinion, what I mean by "real" is
6 that these model results provide a real indication of the
7 likely rate of exceedance for these scenarios. That's
8 what I mean by "real."

9 MR. MIZELL: Thank you.

10 And in Figure 1, there are two portions of the
11 chart that show Boundary 1 having a chloride
12 concentration above the 250-milligram-per-liter threshold
13 of longer than one month; is that correct?

14 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

15 MR. MIZELL: Isn't it true that the model does
16 not distinguish between a modeling anomaly and what
17 you've characterized as likely -- Or how did you just say
18 it? Likely to be real? Yeah.

19 WITNESS PAULSEN: The model is the model. It
20 doesn't make judgments.

21 MR. MIZELL: So it would treat both those
22 instances the same. It's up to the analysis -- the
23 person performing the analysis to distinguish between
24 what they believe is a modeling anomaly and what they
25 believe is a real output.

1 WITNESS PAULSEN: I'm not sure what you mean by
2 both those instances, but certainly as people who take
3 the model output and interpret it or use it to draw
4 conclusions.

5 MR. MIZELL: Right.

6 So the model's not going to flag one and say
7 "This is a modeling anomaly" and not flag another leading
8 the model --

9 WITNESS PAULSEN: To my knowledge -- I'm sorry.

10 MR. MIZELL: No. Go ahead.

11 WITNESS PAULSEN: I was going to say, to my
12 knowledge, the model doesn't make a judgment call and
13 flag anything.

14 MR. MIZELL: Thank you.

15 So, just to put a last point on it:

16 If the model cannot distinguish between what is
17 a model anomaly and what is a true result -- my words,
18 not yours -- isn't it possible that the model could
19 result in a -- could result in chloride concentrations
20 going above the 250 threshold as a -- as an output of an
21 anomaly?

22 WITNESS PAULSEN: I've tried to be pretty
23 clear.

24 In my opinion, exceedances that are this large
25 and last for this long really cannot be explained by the

1 model limitations that Dr. Nader-Tehrani posited.

2 MR. MIZELL: Just give me a sec to collect my
3 thoughts, and I think I might be able to wrap up.

4 (Pause in proceedings.)

5 MR. MIZELL: I think I'll conclude my cross.

6 Thank you.

7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Aladjem, any
8 redirect?

9 (Pause in proceedings.)

10 MR. ALADJEM: Excuse me, Hearing Officer Doduc.
11 No redirect.

12 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.

13 And not seeing any other cross-examiner, I
14 think this concludes Brentwood's surrebuttal as well.

15 At this time, now you may move both parties'
16 exhibits.

17 MR. ALADJEM: Thank you, Madam Chair.

18 On behalf of the Delta Flood Control Group, I'd
19 like to move and offer into evidence and move into
20 evidence Delta Flood Control Group Exhibits 20 through 25
21 and, on behalf of the City of Brentwood, Exhibits 120
22 through 122, inclusive.

23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.

24 And with no objection, those exhibits are
25 accepted into the record.

1 (Delta Flood Control Group's
2 Exhibits 20-25 received into the
3 record)

4 (City of Brentwood's Exhibits
5 120-122 received into the record)

6 MR. ALADJEM: Thank you very much.

7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.

8 Let's go -- Since Dr. Paulsen is still on the
9 hot seat, let's go ahead and take a short break and we'll
10 return at 10:55 for the next round.

11 (Recess taken at 10:40 a.m.)

12 (Proceedings resumed at 10:55 a.m.:)

13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. It is
14 still 10:55 and we are back in session.

15 I see Mr. Emrick already up here so please
16 begin, Mr. Emrick.

17 MR. EMRICK: Thank you. Matthew Emrick for
18 City of Antioch, and we are presenting today Dr. Susan
19 Paulsen to present surrebuttal on behalf of the City.

20 SUSAN PAULSEN,
21 called as a witness for the City of Antioch, having been
22 previously duly sworn, testified further as follows:

23 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY

24 MR. EMRICK: I guess I would have Dr. Paulsen,
25 state your name just for the record.

1 WITNESS PAULSEN: Susan Paulsen.

2 MR. EMRICK: And this testimony will be for the
3 City of Antioch, your surrebuttal testimony?

4 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

5 MR. EMRICK: And you've been previously sworn?

6 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes, I have.

7 MR. EMRICK: And you have prepared some written
8 surrebuttal testimony on behalf of the City of Antioch;
9 is that correct?

10 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

11 MR. EMRICK: And Exhibit 400 is a true and
12 correct copy of that written surrebuttal?

13 WITNESS PAULSEN: Antioch-400, yes.

14 MR. EMRICK: Yes.

15 And you previously stated your qualifications;
16 correct?

17 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

18 MR. EMRICK: If I can ask you now maybe to have
19 Antioch-400 -- Exhibit 400 brought up.

20 (Document displayed on screen.)

21 MR. EMRICK: Thank you.

22 And ask you to summarize your surrebuttal
23 testimony.

24 Thank you.

25 WITNESS PAULSEN: All right. Thank you. And

1 I'll try to keep this brief.

2 My testimony on behalf of the City of Antioch
3 focuses on two opinions:

4 One concerns the relationship between
5 San Joaquin River flows and San Joaquin River salinity or
6 EC; and the second has to do with D-1641 compliance. And
7 both of these are provided in response to
8 Dr. Nader-Tehrani's rebuttal testimony.

9 First, Dr. Nader-Tehrani asserted that
10 San Joaquin River water will be present at -- a large
11 fraction of the water at Antioch's intake only when
12 San Joaquin River flow rates are high.

13 Dr. Nader-Tehrani also testified that salinity,
14 or EC, in the San Joaquin River water is low when
15 San Joaquin River flows are high.

16 As a result, he asserted that -- and here's a
17 quote (reading):

18 "There is no correlation between an increase in
19 San Joaquin River volumetric contribution at Antioch
20 and any significant increase in EC at Antioch."

21 In response, I'd like to make a few points:

22 First, it appears that Dr. Nader-Tehrani may
23 have compared monthly average flow rates and the source
24 fraction, the fraction of water at Antioch's intake that
25 originated from the San Joaquin River, for the same

1 month, and yet there is a travel time. Water that enters
2 the Delta from the San Joaquin River at Vernalis
3 typically takes a month or more to travel to Antioch or
4 to the outlet of the Delta.

5 And it's not exactly clear, but I believe that
6 he may have plotted the San Joaquin River inflows and the
7 source fraction of Antioch for the same month; thus, not
8 considering that lag.

9 But even if that's the case and it were
10 corrected, this analysis -- his analysis of that is not
11 really relevant to my assessment of water quality at
12 Antioch.

13 One thing that's interesting about the Delta:
14 I've previously looked at the fate of
15 San Joaquin River water in the Delta for historical
16 conditions in critical dry and below-normal years, and
17 that analysis shows that only a small fraction of
18 San Joaquin River flows into the Delta actually leave the
19 Delta via Delta outflow. It's typically about a percent
20 or less. The rest is either diverted or exported from
21 the Delta.

22 I wanted to know if that was likely to be true
23 as well for the WaterFix scenarios since the Point of
24 Diversion will change, at least in part. So we did an
25 analysis looking at the fate of San Joaquin River water

1 for Alt 4A and found that 2 percent or less of the
2 San Joaquin River water that enters the Delta at Vernalis
3 during the February to June 1987 timeframe, which is a
4 dry year, less than 2 percent of that water actually
5 leaves the Delta as Delta outflow.

6 So I do conclude that that is consistent.

7 A third point is that the WaterFix Project
8 would add new Points of Diversion on the Sacramento
9 River. And we've previously discussed at length the fact
10 that more Sacramento River water would be exported from
11 the system with the WaterFix Project than without as a
12 result of the location of those intakes.

13 We also know that Sacramento River water has
14 lower salinity, is higher quality than San Joaquin River
15 water, and the fingerprints generated using DWR's DSM-2
16 model show that, after implementation of the WaterFix,
17 particularly for some model scenarios, there will be a
18 decrease in the fraction of Sacramento River water at
19 Antioch's intake and, in addition, largely made up for by
20 an increase in a fraction of San Joaquin River water, so
21 that change in the composition of water does affect water
22 quality at Antioch's intake.

23 I think, however, maybe the most important
24 point is that the relationship between salinity and flow
25 in the San Joaquin River is built into the DSM-2 model.

1 So, in other words -- And -- And Figure 5 of the
2 testimony shows this.

3 (Document displayed on screen.)

4 WITNESS PAULSEN: It shows that the EC, or
5 salinity, of San Joaquin River water is typically high
6 when San Joaquin River water -- San Joaquin River flows
7 are low, and vice versa. The salinity is low when the
8 flows are high.

9 That's incorporated into the DSM-2 model
10 already, and was already incorporated into the model
11 results upon which we based our conclusions. We didn't
12 adjust or alter any of the input files.

13 And so I conclude that the relationship between
14 San Joaquin River flow and San Joaquin River salinity is
15 already fully incorporated into our analysis.

16 So, in summary, Dr. Nader-Tehrani is right in
17 noting that the salinity and the flow of the San Joaquin
18 River are inversely related to each other but, in my
19 opinion, his testimony is somewhat misleading in implying
20 that that relationship somehow negates or represents the
21 model results of salinity at Antioch or wasn't considered
22 by us.

23 The second opinion that I'd like to offer
24 addresses Dr. Nader-Tehrani's rebuttal testimony when he
25 said that -- the quote is (reading):

1 "The frequency of days CWF scenarios exceeded
2 D-1641 salinity requirements are mostly similar or
3 lower compared to the NAA."

4 As we showed in Antioch-202, the Boundary 1
5 scenario exceeds the 250-milligram-per-liter chloride
6 objective more frequently, particularly in dry and normal
7 years, than the NAA.

8 For example, in 1979, the Boundary 1 scenario
9 exceeds this threshold for about 64 days, which is an
10 increase in 47 days, or about 250 percent, relative to
11 the NAA.

12 And I will say that it appears there's an
13 inconsistency, as pointed out during cross, in the
14 tables. And I think I know the reason for that. It does
15 not at all change the conclusions, and we would look
16 forward to the opportunity to fixing those numbers.

17 I would also like to correct something that I
18 said in the last hearing. I testified that we were
19 unable to reproduce DWR's analysis of the exceedances of
20 the 150-milligram-per-liter chloride threshold.

21 Our initial analyses were unable to reproduce
22 that, but we did work with it more and, in the end, we
23 were able to reproduce their results, which is a relief
24 since we're relying on the exact same model output.

25 The real point, though, is that even when the

1 150-milligram-per-liter chloride threshold is met, there
2 will be a significant loss in the number of days of
3 usable water at Antioch's intake.

4 For example, in Water Year 1979, salinity would
5 be below the 150-milligram-per-liter threshold at Pumping
6 Plant 1 for about 338 days in the existing condition, for
7 311 days in the No-Action Alternative, but for only 178
8 days in the Boundary 1 scenario.

9 So that's a loss of about 150 days relative to
10 the existing condition and about 133 days relative to the
11 No-Action Alternative in that particular water year.

12 Further, those impacts are caused by WaterFix
13 and not by climate change or sea-level rise.

14 And that concludes my rebuttal -- surrebuttal
15 testimony.

16 Thank you.

17 MR. EMRICK: Okay. Ready for cross.

18 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Yes. Conducting
19 cross, I expect the Department.

20 Anyone else?

21 All right. Please come up, Mr. Mizell and
22 Miss McGinnis.

23 (Pause in proceedings.)

24 MR. MIZELL: Thank you. Tripp Mizell, DWR.

25 I'll be focusing only on the Opinion 1 in terms

1 of the predicted change in source water found in
2 Dr. Paulsen's testimony. I would expect no longer than
3 30 minutes.

4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Please proceed.

5 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY

6 MR. MIZELL: Dr. Paulsen, isn't it true that
7 your testimony, both the direct, the rebuttal and the
8 surrebuttal, for Antioch focuses exclusively on
9 comparisons between the No-Action Alternative and/or EBC2
10 baselines and the Boundary 1 scenario for the CWF?

11 WITNESS PAULSEN: I don't remember if it's
12 exclusively, but we did focus on those scenarios.

13 MR. MIZELL: To the best of your recollection,
14 can you point us to any portion of your testimonies that
15 would compare the H3, the H4 or the Boundary 2 scenarios?

16 WITNESS PAULSEN: I don't recall whether that's
17 there. I can look for it if you like.

18 MR. MIZELL: No, I don't think -- It's not
19 necessary unless you recall.

20 WITNESS PAULSEN: Well, there is some
21 information on some of the other scenarios in the
22 supporting information.

23 For example, we looked at the CCWD Settlement
24 Agreement. We talked about that last time. There were
25 some model results in there for Alt 4A.

1 We looked at Alt 4A in terms of the fate of
2 San Joaquin River water in this surrebuttal testimony.

3 So I don't think it's right to say that it's
4 entirely present.

5 We also in the rebuttal testimony, I believe,
6 looked at a bunch of the scenarios that were evaluated as
7 part of the FEIR/EIS.

8 MR. MIZELL: And this would be in which part of
9 your testimony?

10 WITNESS PAULSEN: Just a moment.

11 (Searching through document.)

12 WITNESS PAULSEN: You can find references to
13 those scenarios in Antioch-300 in a number of different
14 locations, for example. I don't know if that's all of it
15 but that's one place.

16 MR. MIZELL: Okay. I'd like to bring up
17 Antioch-202 errata, please.

18 (Document displayed on screen.)

19 MR. MIZELL: And page .pdf 41, which should be
20 report Page 33.

21 (Document displayed on screen.)

22 MR. MIZELL: Yeah, that's -- that's the correct
23 one.

24 WITNESS PAULSEN: And, I'm sorry, did you say
25 we're in Antioch 202?

1 MR. MIZELL: That's correct.

2 WITNESS PAULSEN: Okay. And, I'm sorry, what
3 report page? I can't see it on the screen.

4 MR. MIZELL: This would be report Page 33,
5 which is .pdf 41.

6 WITNESS PAULSEN: All right. I'm with you.

7 MR. MIZELL: So, the paragraph starting with
8 "The fingerprinting analysis."

9 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

10 MR. MIZELL: In this first sentence, you state
11 that (reading):

12 ". . . For nearly all water year types and
13 months the fraction of Sacramento River water at the
14 City's intake will be lower . . ."

15 Is that still your understanding?

16 WITNESS PAULSEN: That is specifically for the
17 Boundary 1 scenario relative to the other two conditions.

18 Those changes are -- appear to be most
19 pronounced in certain months of dry, normal and wet water
20 years. There are a few months where the source fractions
21 are relatively or less changed.

22 So we do see months where the Boundary 1
23 scenario, the fraction of Sacramento River water present
24 in the City's intake for the Boundary 1 scenario falls
25 and is lower than either the NAA or the EBC2.

1 MR. MIZELL: So that I'm not putting words into
2 your mouth, was that a yes, you believe that your
3 statement in the first sentence of that paragraph remains
4 true, in your opinion?

5 WITNESS PAULSEN: My statement is that it
6 certainly is true in all year types for at least some
7 months.

8 MR. MIZELL: Thank you.

9 And at the bottom of that paragraph, you
10 mention an increase from a 20 percent to a 40 percent
11 fraction of San Joaquin River water.

12 Do you see that sentence?

13 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes, specific to March of a
14 Normal Water Year.

15 MR. MIZELL: Is that the degree of increase
16 that is most concerning to you in your analysis?

17 WITNESS PAULSEN: I'm not sure I understand
18 that question.

19 MR. MIZELL: What is the significance in your
20 mind of an increase from 20 percent to 40 percent?

21 WITNESS PAULSEN: It's a change in the
22 composition of water at the City's intake as a direct
23 result of the Project.

24 MR. MIZELL: Is there anything in particular
25 special about 40 percent?

1 WITNESS PAULSEN: It's an example, showing an
2 example of the model results.

3 MR. MIZELL: So would a percentage somewhere
4 between 20 and 40 percent change any conclusions in your
5 testimony?

6 WITNESS PAULSEN: I'm not sure I understand
7 that question.

8 MR. MIZELL: Are you saying that 40 percent is
9 simply a summary of the modeling results, so if that --
10 in a hypothetical scenario, if that percentage had been
11 from 20 percent to, say, 32 percent, would that change
12 any of the conclusions in your analysis?

13 WITNESS PAULSEN: I don't know how to answer
14 that because that's not what the model shows, and our
15 intention was to look at the model results, to look at
16 both the change in the water source composition and the
17 change in chloride concentrations.

18 MR. MIZELL: Right. I recognize that the model
19 does not show that lower percentage.

20 I'm asking you: If the model had shown a lower
21 percentage in the example I gave, say, 32 percent, would
22 that change any of the conclusions in your analysis?

23 WITNESS PAULSEN: I don't know how to answer
24 that because the model didn't show that.

25 I'm sure that there are certain time periods

1 where maybe the result was closer to 30 percent. I mean,
2 it looks like we hit 32 percent a couple of different
3 times in the Normal Water Year, in the wet water year.

4 I guess I'm not understanding your question.

5 MR. MIZELL: That's fine. I'll move on.

6 If we could go to .pdf Page 41, please. Oh, we
7 are there.

8 So the last sentence in that same paragraph
9 that begins with the "Fingerprinting analysis shows," the
10 last sentence that reads (reading):

11 "The increase in the fraction of San
12 Joaquin . . . water results in degraded water
13 quality at the City's intake."

14 Is that still your opinion?

15 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

16 MR. MIZELL: Mr. Hunt, if we could bring up
17 DWR-955, please.

18 (Document displayed on screen.)

19 MR. MIZELL: So if I could focus you on the
20 lower left graphic at the bottom of the page there.

21 Just on the Normal Water Year graph and the
22 Boundary 1 scenario, the months of higher San Joaquin
23 River water percentages as compared to the other
24 scenarios are the months of March and April; is that
25 correct?

1 WITNESS PAULSEN: I would say February as well,
2 but yes.

3 MR. MIZELL: February, March and April?

4 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

5 MR. MIZELL: Okay. If we could, then, go to
6 the top of this page, please.

7 (Document displayed on screen.)

8 MR. MIZELL: And is it true that the chloride
9 concentration for the months of February, March and April
10 show that the Boundary 1 scenario is some of the lowest
11 chloride concentrations out of that year?

12 WITNESS PAULSEN: It does look like the
13 chloride concentration in the Boundary 1 scenario starts
14 to rise in April and is higher than the EBC2. Otherwise,
15 those lines do appear to fall nearly on top of each
16 other.

17 MR. MIZELL: And if we go back down to the
18 bottom left corner, please, or if we want to zoom out we
19 can look at it all statement.

20 (Document reduced on screen.)

21 MR. MIZELL: April is when the percentage of
22 San Joaquin River starts to drop; is that not correct?

23 WITNESS PAULSEN: It may even start in the
24 beginning of -- Sorry.

25 Yes, you're right. In April, it starts to fall

1 from the high point to a lower level.

2 MR. MIZELL: Okay. So going to the top graph,
3 please.

4 (Document displayed on screen.)

5 MR. MIZELL: So as the percentage of
6 San Joaquin River water is rising, EC is falling -- or
7 chloride concentration is falling; and when San Joaquin
8 River percentage is falling, chloride concentration is
9 rising.

10 Is that what these graphs demonstrated?

11 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes. And they show that
12 because the fraction of water from the Bay is increasing
13 markedly. If you look at the next series of figures, you
14 can -- you can see that in that time period.

15 So salinity arrives at Antioch's intake from
16 multiple sources. Often the Bay is the strongest source.
17 But replacing Sacramento River water with San Joaquin
18 River water does change the composition and quality of
19 water at the City's intake.

20 MR. MIZELL: All right. I'd like to move to
21 the modeling anomalies -- Or -- sorry -- that was my
22 last -- Let's see.

23 Fingerprinting analysis. If we could bring up
24 Antioch-400, please.

25 (Document displayed on screen.)

1 MR. MIZELL: And at Page 5.

2 (Document displayed on screen.)

3 MR. MIZELL: In the middle of that paragraph,
4 Line 15 and onward, you state that (reading):

5 "Volumetric fingerprinting analysis (sic)" --

6 "Volumetric fingerprinting results were used to
7 track the volume and fraction of tagged San Joaquin
8 River inflow . . ."

9 Is that correct?

10 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

11 MR. MIZELL: Did you submit the fingerprinting
12 analysis as an exhibit in this hearing?

13 WITNESS PAULSEN: Which fingerprinting
14 analysis?

15 MR. MIZELL: The one referenced in your
16 testimony here.

17 WITNESS PAULSEN: The fingerprinting -- There
18 is fingerprinting analysis that was submitted as
19 referenced in -- if you scroll up -- Line 10.

20 (Scrolling up document.)

21 WITNESS PAULSEN: Those are for historical
22 model simulations.

23 We did not submit the detail of the modeling
24 analysis for the new simulation, the Alt 4A simulation,
25 that we conducted.

1 MR. MIZELL: So the results for the Alt 4A
2 analysis are not submitted for this hearing's
3 consideration.

4 WITNESS PAULSEN: Well, they're summarized in
5 Figure 1, which is on the bottom of Page 6, so I would
6 argue that they are in evidence.

7 MR. MIZELL: Okay. This has been the practice,
8 I think, throughout this hearing, and it's been made a
9 great deal of. The data behind these summaries has often
10 been provided, and it hasn't been provided here.

11 DWR would request that analysis behind the
12 summary be provided.

13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Emrick?

14 MR. EMRICK: We don't have any objection to
15 doing that.

16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.

17 MR. MIZELL: That concludes my cross.

18 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And just to wrap
19 this up, you'll provide that within 24 hours.

20 WITNESS PAULSEN: That may be pushing it,
21 honestly, because I'm not in the office right now, but we
22 can provide it soon.

23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. By,
24 we'll say, Monday noon.

25 WITNESS PAULSEN: We will endeavor to do that.

1 MR. EMRICK: Thank you.

2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Any
3 redirect, Emrick?

4 MR. EMRICK: Not at this time, thank you, no.

5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. So at
6 this time, would you like to move the City of Antioch's
7 exhibits?

8 MR. EMRICK: I would. I'd like to move
9 Dr. Paulsen's surrebuttal testimony, Antioch-400, into
10 evidence.

11 And do I need to follow up with a written?

12 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: No.

13 MR. EMRICK: Okay. Thank you.

14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: With no objections
15 outstanding, it's been accepted into the record.

16 MR. EMRICK: Thank you.

17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.

18 (City of Antioch's Exhibit 400
19 received into the record)

20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. City of
21 Stockton.

22 (Pause in proceedings.)

23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: What I would like to
24 do is complete the City of Stockton's surrebuttal so that
25 we may dismiss Dr. Paulsen before we take our lunch

1 break.

2 MS. TABER: I'll just stay here if that's okay.

3 (Pause in proceedings.)

4 MS. TABER: Good morning. Kelley Taber on
5 behalf of the City of Stockton.

6 The City has two witnesses to present today:
7 Dr. Susan Paulsen and Robert Granberg. We'd like to
8 begin with Dr. Paulsen and then follow with Mr. Granberg.

9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And has Mr. Granberg
10 taken the oath?

11 MS. TABER: He has. He appeared before.

12 SUSAN PAULSEN & ROBERT GRANBERG,
13 called as witnesses for the City of Stockton, having been
14 previously duly sworn, testified further as follows:

15 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY

16 MS. TABER: Dr. Paulsen, could you please just
17 state your name for the record.

18 WITNESS PAULSEN: Sure. Susan Paulsen.

19 MS. TABER: Thank you.

20 And, Dr. Paulsen, is Exhibit Stockton-47 a true
21 and correct copy of your written surrebuttal testimony?

22 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

23 MS. TABER: And is your testimony based on the
24 written report that has been submitted as Stockton
25 Exhibit 48?

1 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

2 MS. TABER: And is Stockton-48 a correct copy
3 of the technical report that you prepared for
4 surrebuttal?

5 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

6 MS. TABER: And is Exhibit Stockton-49 a true
7 and correct copy of your PowerPoint presentation
8 summarizing your technical report?

9 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

10 MS. TABER: Thank you.

11 Dr. Paulsen, at this time, could you please
12 summarize your surrebuttal testimony.

13 WITNESS PAULSEN: Sure.

14 Could we please use Stockton-49.

15 (Document displayed on screen.)

16 WITNESS PAULSEN: Thank you.

17 If we could go to Slide 3, please.

18 (Document displayed on screen.)

19 WITNESS PAULSEN: Can you hear me? Apologies.

20 We have five major opinions to offer. Rather
21 than reading through them here, I'll just talk about them
22 as we go through. They address hydrodynamics and
23 velocity, plus the water quality constituents of
24 salinity, which includes both EC and chloride, bromide,
25 organic carbon and microcystis.

1 Next slide, please.

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3 WITNESS PAULSEN: The first opinion addresses
4 involvement in the hydrodynamics in the Delta.

5 DWR's rebuttal reports, DWR-652 and DWR-653,
6 presented information on velocity in the Delta including
7 within the City of Stockton's intake.

8 In my opinion, the presentation of velocity in
9 these reports missed key features of Delta flows; most
10 notably, the sloshing nature of flows throughout the
11 Delta and, as a result, in my opinion, DWR arrived at
12 some unsupported conclusions regarding water quality
13 impacts.

14 Next slide, please.

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16 WITNESS PAULSEN: Velocities in the Delta are
17 strongly influenced by the tides, and tidal forcing in
18 the Delta will not change, of course, as a result of the
19 WaterFix Project. Rather, WaterFix will result in
20 changes to Delta channel velocities that are relatively
21 small in magnitude compared to the velocities called by
22 tidal dynamics.

23 And next slide, please.

24 (Document displayed on screen.)

25 WITNESS PAULSEN: To illustrate this, we've

1 prepared three figures. These figures show channel
2 velocities in the vicinity of Stockton's intake for Water
3 Year 1987, which is a dry water year.

4 And what you see here is the 15-minute
5 velocities which are in gray, and you can see that they
6 extend from well above zero to below zero.

7 And then each of these scenarios shows the
8 daily average velocity as a colored line through the
9 middle of that gray band, if you will.

10 We're showing here on the bottom the No-Action
11 Alternative and the EBC2 Existing Condition Scenario.

12 In the middle on the left is Alternative H3, on
13 the right is Alt 4A, and we don't show the 15-minute
14 velocities here because we couldn't find them in DWR's
15 model output for this scenario, but they would be very
16 similar.

17 And then at the top are the velocities for the
18 Boundary 1 and Boundary 2 scenarios.

19 So the 15-minute velocities here exhibit a
20 relatively uniform range in envelope, if you will, from
21 about 1.6 feet per second negative in the upstream
22 direction to about 1.8 feet per second positive in the
23 downstream direction, and you can see that flow sloshes
24 back and forth in -- at Stockton's intake.

25 But the daily average velocities, the small

1 colored lines, exhibit a much narrower range, from about
2 .1 feet per second in the upstream direction to about
3 .25 feet per second in the downstream direction.

4 And then the next graphic presents the same
5 information for a single month.

6 Next slide, please.

7 (Document displayed on screen.)

8 WITNESS PAULSEN: This is August 1987, again a
9 dry year, and this shows the 15-minute velocities.

10 And, here, you can see the -- the lines and the
11 way they go up and down roughly four times a day.

12 And in the next slide just --

13 (Document displayed on screen.)

14 WITNESS PAULSEN: -- zooms in a little bit
15 further on a six-day period in August of 1987.

16 And what you can see is, the involvement
17 changes direction or passes through zero about four times
18 per day on average. You can also see that the peak
19 velocities persist for relatively short periods of time,
20 on the order of a few hours before the flow direction --
21 before the flow slows and the flow direction reverses.

22 In contrast, the daily average velocities are
23 much smaller. They're near zero in this time period.
24 And that indicates that there's very little net movement
25 of water away from Stockton's intake.

1 So you've got large sloshing flows in both
2 directions, but the net movement, the net average
3 movement, is very slow.

4 So water sloshes back and forth but it only
5 moves a short distance downstream and in that. And in
6 the sloshing, the water will pass the same location
7 multiple times.

8 The next slide --

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10 WITNESS PAULSEN: -- shows one of the two ways
11 that DWR-652 and 653 presented velocity information.

12 This shows a probability of exceedance for the
13 daily maximum velocity over the 16-year period. And the
14 range in values here is from a low of about 1.1 feet per
15 second to a high of about 1.8 feet per second all in the
16 downstream direction.

17 And you can see that the daily maximum velocity
18 shown here is similar for each of the scenarios
19 presented. There's not much variability in that
20 quantity.

21 This method of looking at velocities does not
22 capture the sloshing nature of the flows and it certainly
23 doesn't include values that reflect the daily net
24 velocity at this location.

25 The next slide shows --

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2 WITNESS PAULSEN: -- the second way that DWR
3 presented velocities. This is the probability of
4 exceedance of absolute values of daily velocities on a
5 15-minute time-step.

6 And I believe what they did here is to take the
7 absolute value of the 15-minute velocity output over the
8 16-year period and then to create probability exceedance
9 diagrams for that.

10 So all of the velocities, when you take the
11 absolute value, of course, are positive, and so, again,
12 you don't see the sloshing nature. And these lines fall
13 virtually on top of each other, so the range in these
14 15-minute velocities is between zero and 1.8 feet per
15 second.

16 So here, again, you don't see the low daily
17 average velocity and you don't see the sloshing that
18 occurs as a result of tidal forcing.

19 Tidal forcing is a result of the gravitational
20 pull of the sun and the moon on the earth and, of course,
21 no one's suggesting that the WaterFix Project will change
22 that.

23 (Laughter.)

24 WITNESS PAULSEN: Okay.

25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Is that your

1 professional opinion, Dr. Paulsen?

2 WITNESS PAULSEN: That is. I'm very firm on
3 that one.

4 CO-HEARING OFFICER MARCUS: That may top, what
5 was it, was it tester kind of --

6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: (Nodding head.)

7 WITNESS PAULSEN: DWR also provided testimony
8 stating that quote (reading):

9 "Channel velocity also dictates residence time
10 within a channel because velocities dictate the
11 flushing rate for each Reach."

12 But residence time and flushing are a function
13 of the net velocity, meaning the velocity with the tidal
14 forcing or the sloshing removed. Residence time and
15 flushing are not a function of either the daily maximum
16 velocity or the absolute values of 15-minute velocities.

17 And as we saw on prior slides, the daily
18 average velocity is on the order of .25 feet per second
19 or less. So the daily average velocity is lower than all
20 but about 7 or 8 percent of the values that are shown on
21 this plot and well below all of the daily maximum
22 velocities that are shown on the prior plot.

23 So, in summary, both of these methods of
24 displaying velocity output from the DSM-2 model fail to
25 capture the tidal sloshing nature of flows and, in my

1 opinion, fail to provide a meaningful indication of
2 flushing within the Delta for that reason.

3 As we would expect in the strongly tidal system
4 such as the Delta, both the daily maximum flow velocities
5 and the frequency of 15-minute flows are relatively
6 unchanged from one scenario to the next.

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9 WITNESS PAULSEN: Thank you.

10 -- is from our rebuttal testimony and shows
11 Table 5 from Stockton-26. This is our calculation of the
12 residence times of inflows to the Delta in a dry water
13 year.

14 DWR-653, DWR's Rebuttal Report, stated that
15 other experts did not provide information to support
16 claims of increased residence time within the Delta.

17 But we did present this information at the same
18 time in our Rebuttal Report. And what it shows is that
19 all of the WaterFix scenarios will increase the residence
20 time of the water in the Delta significantly compared to
21 both the existing condition and the No-Action
22 Alternative.

23 So, for example, in August of dry years, you
24 could see the residence time in the existing conditions
25 about 23 days and, in the No Actions, just under 27 days,

1 but it would increase to around 31 days for Boundary 1,
2 around 32 days for Boundary 2, and, again, around 31 days
3 for the Alt 4A scenario.

4 So the residence time is predicted to increase
5 on the order of 37 percent for the boundary scenario --
6 Boundary 2 scenario relative to existing conditions and
7 about 19 percent for the Boundary 2 scenario relative to
8 the No-Action Alternative.

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11 WITNESS PAULSEN: The reason this is important
12 is because, as residence time increases, flushing within
13 the Delta decreases and some water quality constituents,
14 including chloride, EC, bromide and organic carbon, are
15 present in high concentrations in sources within the
16 Delta; for example, in the agricultural return waters.
17 We'll show you that. And they can build up within the
18 Delta as residence time increases and flushing decreases.

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21 WITNESS PAULSEN: Opinion 2 concerns the
22 salinity impacts that are shown in DWR's modeling at the
23 location of Stockton's intake.

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1 WITNESS PAULSEN: Thank you.

2 In their case in chief, DWR presented
3 information on water quality at Buckley Cove and asserted
4 that the impacts to water quality at Stockton's intake
5 could be ascertained by reviewing model results from
6 Buckley Cove.

7 We dealt with that in the rebuttal testimony.
8 We showed that the composition and the chloride contents
9 of water at that location is pretty different.

10 In their rebuttal testimony, DWR-652, DWR did
11 present an analysis of salinity at Stockton's intake
12 location, and I'd like to focus on that, but they also
13 continued to state that the FEIR/EIS analysis of water
14 quality impacts show water quality impacts would be less
15 than significant and not adverse at Stockton's intake
16 location and, in addition to pointing to the Buckley Cove
17 location, they pointed to the Prisoner's Point location.

18 In response, we evaluated water quality at
19 Prisoner's Point to see if it was, in fact,
20 representative of water quality at Stockton's location.
21 We can probably skip over the details here, but, in
22 summary, in our opinion -- in my opinion, it's closer but
23 it's still not representative of water quality at
24 Stockton's intake, mainly because the chloride
25 concentrations at Prisoner's Point reach higher levels

1 than at Stockton's intake.

2 So I think we can skip the -- the next slide.

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4 WITNESS PAULSEN: DWR's Rebuttal Report DWR-652
5 presents an analysis of salinity at Stockton's intake
6 location. It does that both in terms of chloride and in
7 terms of EC.

8 So, focusing on chloride, we have three primary
9 concerns:

10 First, DWR did not use the chloride threshold
11 of 110 milligrams per liter, which the City has stated is
12 its relevant operational threshold.

13 Second, DWR has presented results as monthly
14 mean chloride concentrations, which, again, doesn't
15 provide the level of detail that a drinking water
16 operator needs to understand impacts to his operations.

17 And, third, DWR has not evaluated a
18 representative existing condition. Rather, they refer
19 everything to the baseline NAA, future No-Action
20 scenario, so it's difficult for the City to understand
21 impacts relative to its current operations.

22 As we detailed in Stockton 26, our analysis of
23 the same model results shows a significant increase in
24 the number of days that would exceed the
25 110-milligram-per-liter threshold both for the period as

1 a whole and for certain individual year types.

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4 WITNESS PAULSEN: In DWR-652, at Page 8, DWR
5 asserts that the primary source of chloride in the Delta
6 is seawater intrusion.

7 We agree with that statement but only in
8 certain portions of the Delta and not at Stockton's
9 intake.

10 At Stockton's intake, other sources of salinity
11 can at times be much more important than Bay water.

12 And if we look at the next slide --

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14 WITNESS PAULSEN: -- this helps explain why.

15 This is some information from DSM-2 model input
16 files that shows the chloride and EC concentration of San
17 Joaquin River inflows to the Delta at Vernalis from
18 November 1977 to April 1978. It's just a sample period.

19 And what it shows is that the chloride
20 concentrations that are simulated in the inflow to the
21 Delta from the San Joaquin River, chlorine concentrations
22 can be as high as about 133 milligrams per liter. So the
23 chloride concentration in the San Joaquin River itself
24 can be higher than the City's operational threshold.

25 In addition, if we look at the next slide.

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2 WITNESS PAULSEN: This is model input data from
3 the DICU, the consumptive use module within DSM-2, and it
4 shows chloride concentrations in ag drainage in model
5 nodes that are located near Stockton's intake.

6 And you can see a chloride concentration up to
7 just under 300 milligrams per liter, well in excess of
8 the City's 110-milligram-per-liter threshold.

9 That also explains why a low residence time and
10 high flushing is important to water quality in the
11 interior Delta.

12 And then, finally, the next graphic --

13 (Document displayed on screen.)

14 WITNESS PAULSEN: -- shows some DSM-2 model
15 results that show, in the dash lines, where the water
16 originates from and, in the solid bluish line, the
17 chloride concentration that's simulated at Antioch's
18 intake.

19 And what you see in the beginning of
20 February 1978 is a chloride concentration that exceeds
21 110 milligrams per liter even though the concentration of
22 Bay water is very low, less than .1 percent at the City's
23 intake.

24 So, on that basis, I conclude that it's not
25 correct to assume that Bay water is the primary source of

1 salinity throughout the Delta or at Stockton's intake
2 location.

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5 WITNESS PAULSEN: We've already discussed
6 briefly the EC-to-chloride conversion factor. We
7 anticipated that it would be raised for Stockton's intake
8 location and so addressed it in our surrebuttal testimony
9 as well.

10 Just to reiterate, I understand from DWR-652
11 that DWR in that report used the same conversion factor
12 that it used at other locations in the Delta to compute
13 chloride from the EC that's the DSM-2 model output.

14 In contrast, the conversion factors that we
15 used were developed from empirical data and evaluated the
16 conversion from EC to chloride by location within the
17 Delta.

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19 (Document displayed on screen.)

20 WITNESS PAULSEN: This will look somewhat
21 familiar. This shows the two conversion factors. The
22 one in gray is the one that was used by DWR, and the one
23 in the orangey color is the one that was used by us for
24 Stockton's location.

25 What we see is, above, a chloride concentration

1 of about 65 milligrams per liter. The conversion factor
2 used by exponent results in lower chloride
3 concentrations. It's conservative with respect to the
4 conversion factor used by DWR. That's because the
5 composition of water at Stockton's intake is different
6 than it is in the Western Delta. Had we used DWR's
7 conversion factor, we would have calculated even higher
8 chloride concentrations.

9 So we've considered carefully DWR's rebuttal
10 testimony regarding the conversion factor and it has not
11 changed our analysis or conclusions with respect to the
12 water quality impacts at Stockton's intake.

13 Next slide, please.

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15 WITNESS PAULSEN: DWR-652 also presented an
16 analysis of EC.

17 I don't want to belabor the point except our
18 concerns for the EC analysis are very similar, which is
19 that they should have been based on a threshold relevant
20 to the City's operations.

21 Had that been done, the 110-milligram-per-liter
22 threshold would translate to an EC of about 587
23 microsiemens per centimeter using the conversion equation
24 of Guivetchi that we use, or about 561 microsiemens per
25 centimeter using DWR's conversion.

1 We also believe that the model results would
2 have been more useful to a drinking water operator had
3 they been presented not as monthly long-term averages and
4 had they been compared to existing conditions.

5 So I stand by the prior conclusions regarding
6 salinity impacts.

7 Next slide, please.

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9 WITNESS PAULSEN: All right. I'd like to
10 switch to bromide now.

11 And with regard to bromide, DWR performed two
12 different kinds of analyses: One focused on a mass
13 balance analysis, where they calculated source fractions
14 and then used the average bromide concentration
15 associated with each of those sources to compute a
16 bromide concentration at a specific location; and the
17 second used a relationship between EC and bromide.

18 The next slide --

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20 WITNESS PAULSEN: Thank you.

21 -- shows the variability that we see in bromide
22 concentrations in the San Joaquin River near Vernalis.
23 You can see that the concentration is highly variable and
24 it's probably a function of flow much like EC is.

25 This goes to DWR's first method where they used

1 that mass balance approach, multiplying the source water
2 fingerprints by the average bromide concentration for
3 each source. That analysis failed to consider the
4 variability that we see in this graph associated with
5 those.

6 And we can see that San Joaquin River water
7 flowing into the Delta can have bromide concentrations as
8 high as about 600 microsiemens -- sorry -- 600 micrograms
9 per liter.

10 We also know that the concentrations of bromide
11 in and near ag drains, agricultural drains, have been
12 reported at much lower levels, up to two orders of
13 magnitude higher than the levels shown here.

14 So, although DWR recognized the relationship
15 between flow and EC in San Joaquin River water inflows,
16 it doesn't appear that the fingerprinting method
17 recognized the same kind of correlation that exists
18 between flow and bromide.

19 The second relationship, the EC-to-bromide
20 conversion, did consider this relationship, at least in
21 part, but it's difficult for us to evaluate because we
22 don't have the relationship between EC and bromide that
23 was used by DWR. And it appears that they used a single
24 relationship rather than one that would be variable.

25 There is information that's provided in the

1 testimony that indicates that the relationship probably
2 isn't constant and may vary by source, so that's one
3 concern.

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6 WITNESS PAULSEN: We also have a few concerns
7 with how the bromide analysis results were summarized in
8 DWR-652.

9 This plot is copied directly from DWR-652 and
10 shows the simulated monthly average bromide
11 concentrations at Stockton's intake for below-normal
12 years. And this particular method was -- This graph was
13 calculated using that EC-to-bromide relationship.

14 I'd like to focus on two results. The NAA, the
15 No-Action Alternative, is the black line, and the
16 Boundary 1 scenario is shown in green.

17 What you can see is that, for bromide levels
18 about -- above about 150 micrograms per liter, so the
19 left half of the graph, the Boundary 1 scenario shows
20 bromide concentrations that are higher than the No-Action
21 Alternative by as much as about 100 micrograms per liter.

22 The figure indicates that about half the time
23 in below-normal years, the Boundary 1 concentration will
24 be between about 40 and 100 micrograms per liter higher
25 than the No-Action Alternative.

1 And it shows that the simulated concentrations
2 for the Boundary 2 scenario, which is the orange color,
3 are also higher than concentrations for the No-Action
4 Alternative some of the time.

5 However, the text of DWR-652 characterizes
6 these results as showing, quote (reading):

7 ". . . Similar or lower mean monthly bromide
8 concentrations . . . relative to the NAA."

9 It appears to me that the text of the report
10 doesn't fairly characterize these results and that the
11 graph actually shows monthly mean bromide concentrations
12 that are significantly higher for the WaterFix scenarios
13 than for the No-Action alternatives.

14 And if we could move to the next slide.

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16 WITNESS PAULSEN: This shows DWR's presentation
17 of the bromide analysis using the EC-to-bromide
18 relationship for dry water years, and a very similar
19 concern here.

20 DWR-652 characterized these results as showing,
21 quote (reading):

22 ". . . Similar or somewhat higher mean monthly
23 bromide concentrations at the site in dry years,
24 relative to the No-Action Alternative."

25 But what we see is that the black line, the

1 No-Action Alternative, is well below all of the WaterFix
2 scenarios that are shown here over the majority of the
3 probability range.

4 In the range of about, I don't know, 6 percent
5 to 55 percent probability, the bromide concentrations for
6 the WaterFix scenarios would be higher. The Boundary 2
7 and the Alt 4 scenarios, which are orange and red, would
8 be higher between about 33 and 150 micrograms per liter
9 than the No-Action Alternative. So it seems like a
10 significant increase to me.

11 And the last of the slides.

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13 WITNESS PAULSEN: And the bromide section here
14 shows the results in -- presented in DWR-652 for critical
15 years.

16 DWR characterized these as showing similar or
17 somewhat higher monthly mean bromide concentrations.
18 But, again, the graph here appears to show substantially
19 higher bromide concentrations for all of the WaterFix
20 scenarios relative to the No-Action Alternative.

21 For example, at the 20 percent exceedance
22 probability, the Boundary 2 scenario shows a bromide
23 concentration that's higher than the No-Action
24 Alternative by about 100 micrograms per liter.

25 So my concern with DWR 652's analysis of

1 bromide is that it doesn't quite appropriately summarize
2 the results that are shown in the graphs in the report.
3 And based on the graphs, we're concerned that the impacts
4 on bromide concentrations that would be caused at the
5 City's intake by the WaterFix Project would be
6 substantial.

7 Thank you.

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10 WITNESS PAULSEN: Opinion 4 addresses DWR's
11 rebuttal testimony regarding organic carbon.

12 DWR's Rebuttal Report, DWR-652, doesn't present
13 the methodology that was used to assess organic carbon
14 and, again, presents the results in the form of long-term
15 monthly averages.

16 We've poured through DWR's model input files.
17 We were able to identify model input files for organic
18 carbon. They showed that the DSM-II assumes that the
19 San Joaquin River inflows to the Delta at times will have
20 organic carbon concentrations as high as about 11
21 milligrams per liter, and that's higher than the
22 significant threshold of 4 and 7 milligrams per liter
23 that were evaluated in DWR-652.

24 But we haven't identified model output for
25 organic carbon, so we haven't evaluated DWR's DSM-2

1 results for shorter time periods.

2 Nonetheless, DWR concluded that, quote
3 (reading):

4 ". . . Long-term average DOC concentrations for
5 some interior Delta locations are predicted to
6 increase by as much as 0.2 milligrams per liter."

7 And we would expect short-term increases in
8 concentration of even greater magnitude than the
9 long-term average, of course.

10 And we would expect that the organic carbon
11 concentrations at the City's intake would rise as a
12 result of the WaterFix Project.

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15 WITNESS PAULSEN: All right. This last opinion
16 concerns microcystis and harmful algal blooms within the
17 Delta. We focused on microcystis, as DWR-653 did.

18 We hadn't addressed microcystis in detail in
19 our prior rebuttal opinion, but we've done a pretty
20 in-depth literature review since then. And many of the
21 conclusions that we have regarding microcystis tie
22 directly back to Opinion 1, the velocity and the
23 residence time analysis that we performed using DWR's
24 model results.

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2 WITNESS PAULSEN: The first opinion is that --
3 regarding microcystis addresses the multiple factors that
4 interact, and they have to come together in order to
5 promote the formation and sustaining of microcystis
6 blooms.

7 Next graphic, please. Next slide.

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9 WITNESS PAULSEN: Thank you.

10 This graphic is copied from the literature and
11 it shows some of the factors that are most important to
12 microcystis formation and accumulation.

13 Although DWR's rebuttal report, DWR-653,
14 acknowledges many of these factors, that rebuttal
15 testimony appears to treat velocity as the primary
16 controlling factor and fails to address changes in
17 residence time, as we already discussed in Opinion 1.

18 Overall, multiple factors are required for a
19 bloom, and each of these factors could -- can be limiting
20 in a particular circumstance.

21 So, in our analysis, we focused on changes in
22 Delta hydrodynamics that have the potential to remove a
23 limiting factor. For example, an increase in residence
24 time can result in an increase in the accumulation of
25 microcystis, and that would in turn increase the

1 likelihead -- likelihood of a microcystis bloom.

2 An increase in residence time won't result in a
3 bloom occurring all of the time that that increase in
4 residence time occurs because other factors may be
5 limiting, but it does increase the likelihood of a bloom.

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8 WITNESS PAULSEN: DWR asserted in DWR-653 that,
9 quote (reading):

10 "Insufficient residence time (due to high
11 channel velocities) results in what cells are being
12 produced being flushed from the area before a
13 'bloom' can form, and high velocities result in
14 turbulent, well-mixed channel flows where
15 cyanobacteria generally cannot outcompete green
16 algae or diatoms."

17 DWR further described velocity as being
18 important "regardless of direction of flow, because it is
19 not the volume of water" -- And, I'm sorry, this is a
20 quote again (reading):

21 ". . . Regardless of direction and flow . . .
22 because it is not the volume of water moving through
23 a channel, but rather the velocity with which the
24 water moves that most affects the ability of
25 cyanobacteria to outcompete other algae . . ."

1 As discussed in Opinion 1, DWR's presentation
2 of Slide -- of velocity information doesn't characterize
3 or capture the sloshing nature of flows within the Delta.

4 And I think we showed in Opinion 1 as well that
5 the overall velocity regime is -- velocity regime in the
6 Delta, the sloshing nature of flows, isn't likely to
7 change substantially in the future because it's driven by
8 tidal forcing, and that won't be affected by WaterFix.

9 Because the net daily average or tidally
10 average velocity in the channel near Stockton's intake is
11 low, residence times in that part of the Delta will be
12 high. And, further, residence times are expected to
13 increase as a result of the WaterFix Project,
14 particularly in warmer months such as August in dry
15 years, which is the example that I showed earlier, when
16 blooms are most likely to occur because that's also when
17 water temperatures are highest.

18 So the opinion here is that the increase in
19 residence time is important because it can lead to
20 increased accumulation of microcystis and, again,
21 increasing the likelihood of microcystis bloom formation
22 in the future.

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25 WITNESS PAULSEN: To summarize this point

1 briefly, DWR relied upon published literature regarding
2 the effect of velocity on microcystis, but the two
3 primary studies that they relied upon were not conducted
4 in a tidal estuary and had characteristics that were
5 substantially different than those in the est -- in our
6 estuary in the Delta.

7 One study was in a fresh water river system
8 where velocities are uniformly in the downstream
9 direction and it evaluated blooms of anabaena, not
10 microcystis.

11 The conclusions of that study appear to be
12 related primarily to the effects of velocity on
13 suppressing thermal stratification within the water body.
14 And that study found that velocities needed to be higher
15 to disrupt an already-formed bloom and to suppress bloom
16 formation.

17 The second study was conducted in mesocosms, in
18 close chambers, within a lake, and used submerged pumps
19 to circulate water within those mesocosms.

20 Obviously, that's a very different
21 circumstance. And there was concern within that study
22 that that setup, the pumps, may have caused the effects
23 that were observed.

24 Those two studies differed from the Delta in
25 some pretty important ways. They weren't tidally

1 influenced. The high velocities there persisted for
2 relatively long periods of time. And the velocities were
3 associated at least in part with thermal disruption.

4 In contrast, we know flows in the Delta are
5 strongly tidal; high velocities persist for short periods
6 of time on the flood and ebb tides; and thermal
7 stratification typically isn't a major issue within the
8 Delta.

9 So, on this basis, we conclude that the concept
10 of critical velocities may really not be relevant within
11 the Delta. After all, the velocity regime that we'll see
12 in the future will be very similar to the velocity regime
13 that we see today, and that velocity regime hasn't
14 suppressed microcystis formation in the past.

15 So, in other words, we have microcystis blooms
16 now on occasion with the same velocities that we will
17 have in the future.

18 So, on that basis, we conclude that velocity
19 really may not be the key factor. It may not be the sole
20 key factor within the Delta.

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23 WITNESS PAULSEN: -- I'm almost done.

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25 WITNESS PAULSEN: DWR's rebuttal testimony

1 appears to deemphasize the role of increased residence
2 time on the formation of microcystis in the Delta.

3 DWR-653 does acknowledge that residence times
4 may increase in parts of the southern and South Delta,
5 but DWR focused on other factors, such as velocity and
6 mixing.

7 We've already discussed that many of these
8 factors, including velocity and mixing, are expected to
9 occur in the future within the same general range that we
10 currently observe. But residence time is expected to
11 increase substantially, as much as 37 percent for the
12 Boundary 1 scenario as compared to existing conditions.

13 We've detailed in our report that we expect
14 this increase in residence times to increase the
15 likelihood of microcystis blooms in the Delta, both where
16 they already occur but also potentially in locations
17 where they do not currently occur. And we believe that
18 this conclusion is consistent with the literature
19 regarding microcystis blooms in the Delta as well.

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22 WITNESS PAULSEN: Thank you.

23 We agree with DWR-653 that temperature is an
24 important and at times controlling factor for microcystis
25 bloom formation and growth.

1 But we're concerned that DWR's temperature
2 analysis lacks sufficient detail and prevents us from
3 drawing conclusions regarding the impact of potential
4 temperature changes on microcystis blooms.

5 Specifically, DWR presented only long-term
6 monthly average simulated temperature information and
7 only for two scenarios, the No-Action Alternative and the
8 preferred alternative, Alt 4A.

9 We haven't found information indicating that
10 DWR simulated temperatures for either the Boundary 1 or
11 the Boundary 2 scenarios or for the additional scenarios
12 that were evaluated in the FER -- FEIR/EIS, and we
13 haven't found information on temperature analysis for the
14 location of Stockton's intake.

15 Despite these shortcomings, DWR's analysis
16 clearly indicates that monthly average temperatures will
17 increase under certain conditions for the WaterFix
18 alternative relative to the No-Action Alternative.

19 For example, DWR-653 indicates that, for the
20 full 82-year simulation period, period mean temperatures
21 at Prisoner's Point would be up to .18 degrees Fahrenheit
22 higher for Alt 4A than for the No-Action Alternative in
23 the months of May through October; and in September, that
24 the maximum mean monthly temperature for WaterFix would
25 be about .6 degrees Fahrenheit higher on average for the

1 WaterFix alternatives than for the No-Action Alternative.

2 And, again, increases in water temperature on
3 shorter time scales and for certain year types will
4 probably be higher than these long-term mean.

5 So, in summary, the increases in residence time
6 and the potential increases in temperature are both
7 expected to increase the likelihood of microcystis blooms
8 as a direct result of the implementation of the WaterFix
9 Project.

10 Thank you.

11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you,

12 Dr. Paulsen.

13 Miss Taber.

14 MS. TABER: Thank you.

15 Mr. Granberg would require approximately five
16 minutes to summarize his testimony. Shall we proceed
17 with his summary?

18 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Please do.

19 MS. TABER: Thank you.

20 Mr. Granberg, could you please state your name
21 for the record and spell your last name.

22 WITNESS GRANBERG: Robert Granberg,

23 G-R-A-N-B-E-R-G.

24 MS. TABER: And you've taken the oath in these
25 proceedings; is that correct?

1 WITNESS GRANBERG: Yes, I have.

2 MS. TABER: Can you please refresh everyone's
3 recollection as to your position with the City of
4 Stockton.

5 WITNESS GRANBERG: I'm Assistant Director of
6 Utilities for the City of Stockton.

7 MS. TABER: Thank you.

8 Is Exhibit Stockton-39 a true and correct copy
9 of your written surrebuttal testimony?

10 WITNESS GRANBERG: Yes, it is.

11 MS. TABER: Thank you.

12 At this time, Mr. Granberg, could you please
13 summarize your surrebuttal testimony.

14 WITNESS GRANBERG: Yes. Good morning.

15 My testimony today will rebut the testimony of
16 Dr. Michael Bryan and show DWR and the Bureau of
17 Reclamation have not proven that the California WaterFix
18 Project will not injure Stockton as a legal user of
19 water.

20 Dr. Bryan's testimony report failed to address
21 water quality changes that affect the City's ability to
22 divert water from the Delta under its Water Rights Permit
23 and the City's ability to treat water at its Delta Water
24 Treatment Plant and to meet all reg -- applicable
25 regulatory standards with current technology.

1 This presentation of data in the form of
2 long-term monthly averages masks substantial increases in
3 various constituents, as you've heard, that will render
4 the City's water right unusable at times in light of the
5 City's unique circumstances, which include its drinking
6 water treatment facility, its distribution system, its
7 wastewater discharge constraints, and its customer base.

8 I'd first like to talk about chloride and
9 specific conductance.

10 In offering its opinion that the
11 Project-related changes in chloride and specific
12 conductance at the City's intake will not result in
13 adverse impacts to the municipal beneficial use,
14 Dr. Bryan relies on the 250-milligram-per-liter chloride
15 threshold, which is a secondary drinking water standard
16 level deemed acceptable to consumers.

17 However, when the chloride concentration rises
18 past 110 milligrams per liter, Stockton will incur
19 significant injury in two ways.

20 First of all, whenever salinity concentration
21 of water at the intake increases above 110 milligrams per
22 liter, the City is faced with a decision to forego its
23 diversions under its Delta water right for drinking water
24 purposes because that water diverted ultimately is
25 discharged through the sanitary collection system and

1 treatment at the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant which
2 is ultimately discharged into the San Joaquin River.

3 As part of the City's effort to control source
4 water salinity, the City procured and incorporated its
5 water right in -- into its water supply and obtained
6 corresponding reduction in effluent salinity from the
7 Wastewater Treatment Plant.

8 Increasing salinity in Delta source water for
9 municipal and industrial use due to the Project would
10 threaten to cause NPDES violations and force Stockton to
11 purchase replacement water, use groundwater, or implement
12 additional treatment, such as reverse osmosis.

13 Second, Stockton's water customers are
14 accustomed to and expect a high-quality and wholesome
15 drinking water supply currently delivered by the City.

16 Increased surface water salinity due to the
17 WaterFix Project would erode that customer confidence and
18 cause economic impacts if current industrial water users
19 were forced to invest in on-site treatment or choose to
20 leave the City for other -- other water service providers
21 that offer better water quality.

22 Now I'll talk about disinfection byproducts
23 which include bromate -- bromide, bromate and
24 trihalomethanes.

25 Dr. Bryan testified that there will be no

1 impact to Stockton from increased bromide levels, yet
2 Dr. Bryan's report showed that average bromide
3 concentrations will be significantly higher than the
4 No-Action Alternative in all scenarios and substantially
5 increase the frequency of concentrations above
6 200 milligrams per liter at the City's intake.

7 Stockton implements ozone as a pretreatment
8 step in its treat -- water treatment process to control
9 taste and odors that are found in the Delta water.

10 When source water bromide concentrations reach
11 200 milli -- micrograms per liter, Stockton must employ
12 pretreatment processes using chloramines in conjunction
13 with ozones to control bromate formation. This
14 pretreatment process consumes ozone very quickly, which
15 requires an increasing ozone dose in response.

16 Increase in the ozone dose results in an
17 increase in operating costs as ozone is the most
18 power-consuming process at the Water Treatment Plant.

19 This will cause the City significant injury by
20 forcing it to employ pretreatment chloramines and
21 incurring hiring operating costs due to increased ozone
22 doses.

23 Dr. Bryan's testimony that the WaterFix Project
24 will not have an adverse impact on Stockton from bromide
25 or disinfection byproduct precursors ignores the fact

1 that higher concentrations than predicted will occur at
2 Stockton's drinking water intake and will cause Stockton
3 to incur significant increases in operating costs or the
4 costs to install additional treatment process --
5 processes or finding alternative water sources.

6 For total organic carbon, Dr. Bryan also
7 concluded the City would not experience an impact from
8 increased TOC, but this opinion was based on long-term
9 monthly average data, as previously described.

10 Similar to bromide, rising TOC concentrations
11 would require Stockton to invest in additional treatment
12 process -- processes or alternative water supplies in
13 order to control disinfection byproducts formation from
14 increased TOC.

15 Dr. Bryan's presentation of model results in
16 the form of long-term averages ignores day-to-day
17 operation and monitoring of Stockton's Drinking Water
18 Treatment Plant and does not provide sufficient
19 information to demonstrate that the California WaterFix
20 Project would not cause injury to Stockton from increases
21 in TOC.

22 Relative to mi --

23 (Timer rings.)

24 WITNESS GRANBERG: Relative to microcystis, it
25 is the likely -- it is likely that even a slight increase

1 in the harmful algal bloom in microcystis will have an
2 impact on the City as a legal user of water due to the
3 effect of Stockton's ability to treat Delta water with
4 current treatment technologies.

5 Stockton's use of ozone can break apart algae
6 cells and release toxins which could create an
7 unreasonable health risk to Stockton's drinking water
8 customers unless additional treatment such as Granular
9 Activated Carbon is employed.

10 Therefore, even a slight increase in HABs or
11 microcystis will injure the City as a legal user of water
12 by increasing the costs and complexity of its water
13 treatment process and potentially rendering the source
14 water unusable at times to avoid a risk to public health.

15 In conclusion, Stockton's Delta water right is
16 a critical water source that solves many of the City's
17 issues with previous supply sources.

18 DWR and the Bureau of Reclamation have not
19 proven that the California WaterFix Project will not
20 injure Stockton as a legal user of water.

21 WaterFix Project jeopardizes its critical
22 surface water supply and erodes Stockton's ability to
23 adequately meet current water supply demand, to meet
24 current and future water quality regulations, and to
25 provide its customers with a safe and high-quality

1 potable water supply.

2 Thank you.

3 MS. TABER: Thank you.

4 That concludes Stockton's surrebuttal
5 testimony.

6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.

7 Cross-examination.

8 Anyone in addition to the Department of Water
9 Resources?

10 MR. KEELING: Yes. Tom Keeling on behalf of
11 the San Joaquin County Protestants.

12 I will have approximately 15 to 20 minutes for
13 Mr. Granberg.

14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay. Miss Meserve.

15 MS. MESERVE: Osha Meserve for LAND.

16 I will have about 15 minutes as well.

17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. And
18 Mr. Mizell, Miss McGinnis, how much time do you
19 anticipate needing?

20 MR. MIZELL: Tripp Mizell, DWR.

21 We have approximately 15 minutes for
22 Dr. Paulsen and 45 minutes for Mr. Granberg.

23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Let's do
24 this, then:

25 Let's focus on Dr. Paulsen first, since I

1 believe you will be returning to Southern California,
2 while Mr. Granberg is a little bit closer.

3 So let's focus on cross-examination for
4 Dr. Paulsen, and then we will take a lunch break and,
5 when we return, we'll finish up with Mr. Granberg before
6 we get to whomever it is that's testifying on behalf of
7 DWR on the spreadsheets.

8 Any concerns?

9 MR. ALADJEM: Chair Doduc, David Aladjem,
10 Downey Brand.

11 Just a clarification from the Chair:

12 If I was following the schedule you were just
13 laying out, DWR would come on approximately 1:30,
14 2 o'clock?

15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: That would be a good
16 guess.

17 MR. ALADJEM: Thank you very much.

18 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. So I
19 anticipate about 30 minutes of cross-examination in total
20 for Dr. Paulsen and then we'll take our lunch break.
21 We'll return approximately at 1:30-ish or so to finish up
22 with Mr. Granberg, which should be about another hour or
23 so, and then we'll get to the DWR spreadsheet issue.

24 Please begin for -- begin your
25 cross-examination for Dr. Paulsen.

1 MR. MIZELL: Thank you.

2 If we could bring up Stockton Exhibit 49,
3 please.

4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Before you do, I
5 need a clarification from Miss Meserve.

6 Your 15 minutes, was that directed to
7 Dr. Paulsen or to Mr. Granberg?

8 MS. MESERVE: Paulsen.

9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Paulsen, all right.
10 So we'll have a little bit longer for Dr. Paulsen before
11 we take the lunch break.

12 MR. MIZELL: If we could go to Slide 11,
13 please.

14 (Document displayed on screen.)

15 MR. MIZELL: So my questions are going to focus
16 exclusively on this chart, and this is the chart of
17 residence times of inflows to the Delta under a dry water
18 year identified as Table 5 that has been incorporated as
19 Table 1 of Stockton's 49, Slide 11.

20 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY

21 MR. MIZELL: So, Dr. Paulsen, I was not able to
22 tell from your testimony exactly what the calculations
23 are behind the data presented in this chart.

24 So if you would humor me, if we could pick a
25 month of your choice, and if you could walk us through

1 the calculations for each of the columns for that month
2 and explain the calculations that you performed in order
3 to reach those results, I would certainly appreciate it.

4 WITNESS PAULSEN: Sure.

5 The detail is provided in Stockton-26, and we
6 described the methodology in Section 4.5, which is on
7 Page 11 of that report.

8 Specifically what we did is, we assumed a
9 volume of water within the Delta, and then we calculated
10 the total monthly inflows to the Delta and divided the
11 first quantity by the second to get an estimate of the
12 residence time in those months.

13 MR. MIZELL: Very good.

14 So can you pick one of these months, and you
15 can walk us through the numbers and the calculations,
16 please.

17 WITNESS PAULSEN: Sure.

18 So, if we -- We looked at the row of August.
19 What we calculated was a monthly average residence time
20 for the EBC2 existing scenario of 23.2 days. That would
21 have been the volume of the Delta divided by the mean --
22 the monthly inflow, mean monthly inflow for that month,
23 and then so on for the other values.

24 MR. MIZELL: And those -- those values that you
25 divided in order to reach the 23.2 in the EBC2 column

1 were sourced where?

2 WITNESS PAULSEN: They're directly from the
3 DSM-2 model files.

4 MR. MIZELL: The DSM-2 model files?

5 And so each of these is a Division of the
6 inflow -- I'm sorry. I'm losing it.

7 Each of these is a division of the total volume
8 of water by the inflow?

9 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

10 MR. MIZELL: Each of the columns.

11 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes.

12 MR. MIZELL: Including the percentages?

13 WITNESS PAULSEN: The percentages look at the
14 change from one value to the next.

15 (Pause in proceedings.)

16 MR. MIZELL: And this chart is meant to
17 represent a gross estimate for the entire Delta and not a
18 specific location in the Delta; is that correct?

19 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes. It's the residence
20 time -- the estimated residence time of inflows to the
21 Delta for a dry water year type.

22 MR. MIZELL: And so for this information to be
23 informative, you would have to assume a consistent
24 hydrodynamic circumstance for every location in the
25 Delta; is that correct?

1 WITNESS PAULSEN: No.

2 MR. MIZELL: Very well. Let's walk through
3 that.

4 How would a gross estimate of residence time as
5 calculated in your Table 5 apply to a specific location
6 within the Delta?

7 WITNESS PAULSEN: It is an estimate for the
8 Delta as a whole.

9 MR. MIZELL: I understand. I don't think that
10 answers my question.

11 How would you apply it to a specific location
12 in the Delta?

13 WITNESS PAULSEN: Well, again, it's not
14 specifically applicable to a specific location. It is an
15 estimate for the Delta as a whole.

16 (Pause in proceedings.)

17 MR. MIZELL: So if I were trying to apply the
18 information in your Table 5, it would be inappropriate of
19 me to apply it to a specific location in the Delta; is
20 that correct?

21 MS. TABER: Objection: I think that
22 incorrectly states her testimony.

23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I'm sorry. I would
24 like to understand that concept, so if Dr. Paulsen could
25 explain.

1 WITNESS PAULSEN: I'm not sure I understand the
2 concept behind the question.

3 This is an estimate of residence time for the
4 Delta as a whole, so it's an estimate that we computed
5 using the volume of water within the Delta, which has --
6 is a volume, divided by the inflow flow rates to the
7 Delta which, as you know, it's a volume per time.

8 When you divide volume by volume per time, you
9 get an estimate in terms of time, in terms of days, for
10 how long the inflows to the Delta will remain in the
11 Delta before being flushed out.

12 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So it's not
13 applicable to any specific point.

14 WITNESS PAULSEN: It's generally applicable to
15 the Delta as a whole. I would say certainly downstream
16 of the North Delta Diversion Points because we did not
17 include the inflows that were diverted at the North Delta
18 Diversions if that is part of the confusion. I'm not
19 sure.

20 MR. MIZELL: If it's not applicable to a
21 specific location in the Delta, why would it be
22 applicable to a spot just downstream of the North Delta
23 Diversion Points?

24 WITNESS PAULSEN: No, that's not what I said.
25 What I said is that we did not include the

1 volume of water that is diverted in the North Delta
2 Diversion Points in the estimate of residence time.

3 MR. MIZELL: Okay. So it's meant to summarize
4 net or gross Delta residence times in a non-Project
5 scenario?

6 MS. TABER: Objection: I'm not sure -- the
7 question asks for net or gross.

8 MR. MIZELL: I don't know the answer. I'm an
9 attorney.

10 WITNESS PAULSEN: Could you repeat the
11 question?

12 MR. MIZELL: Certainly.

13 I'm trying to understand the importance of the
14 last statement you made regarding the fact that you did
15 not remove the inflows at the North Delta.

16 So --

17 WITNESS PAULSEN: No, no, no, we did.
18 Apologies.

19 For the EBC2 and NAA scenarios, there are no
20 diversions at the North Delta locations, obviously,
21 because those are not Project scenarios.

22 So those calculated residence time using all of
23 the inflows to the Delta, including the total inflow from
24 the Sacramento River.

25 For the other scenarios, where water is

1 diverted at the North Delta Diversion locations, we
2 subtracted the volume of water -- the flow rate of water
3 that's diverted at those locations from the Delta in --
4 Sacramento River flowing into the Delta upstream because
5 that's water that's diverted at the North Delta locations
6 and will not enter the Central Delta.

7 MR. MIZELL: Excellent. Thank you for the
8 clarification.

9 And so if this is a -- and I'll try and get my
10 terms here -- gross estimate of residence times for the
11 entire Delta, it is not necessarily applicable to the
12 San Joaquin River from the stretch of Vernalis to Old
13 River -- Head of Old River; is that correct?

14 WITNESS PAULSEN: I don't understand that
15 question.

16 MR. MIZELL: Again, I'm going back to whether
17 or not I can take the data in your Table 5 and use it for
18 locations within the Delta.

19 WITNESS PAULSEN: This estimate would be
20 generally applicable to the Delta as a whole.

21 If I were to calculate residence time for . . .
22 That stretch would be a little bit less influenced by
23 tidal action. That I might think about differently.

24 But I think of this as a general estimate that
25 is valid generally throughout the Central and the South

1 Delta.

2 MR. MIZELL: And if it cannot be used to look
3 at a specific location, how is it generally applicable to
4 locations in the Delta?

5 WITNESS PAULSEN: Again, I believe that this
6 estimate is generally applicable throughout the Central
7 and the South Delta.

8 There are other methods for computing residence
9 time. To my knowledge, DWR hasn't used them to evaluate
10 the residence time impacts of this Project, so we
11 performed a -- an analysis, as I described, to estimate
12 how the residence time would change in the future.

13 MR. MIZELL: So you would agree that residence
14 times in the Delta would vary by location given the
15 complexity of the Delta estuary.

16 WITNESS PAULSEN: They will vary somewhat, but
17 I continue to believe that this is an accurate
18 representation, or at least an accurate estimate of how
19 residence times will change from one scenario to another.

20 MR. MIZELL: That concludes my
21 cross-examination.

22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.

23 Miss Meserve, Mr. Keeling, let me make sure I'm
24 correct.

25 Your cross-examination is for Mr. Granberg.

1 MR. KEELING: That is correct.

2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. So
3 Miss Meserve has about 15 minutes of cross-examination
4 for Dr. Paulsen.

5 MS. MESERVE: Good morning -- Or good
6 afternoon. Osha Meserve for LAND, et al.

7 I have a couple of questions for Dr. Paulsen
8 about the representative water quality issue for
9 Stockton, as well as the chloride conversion, and a
10 couple of questions about the HABs portion of her
11 testimony on velocity and temperature.

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13 MS. MESERVE: For this first question, it would
14 be helpful, I think, to look at the Nader-Tehrani, which
15 has a visual in it, on DWR-932, Page 9, if that could be
16 done.

17 Thank you.

18 (Document displayed on screen.)

19 MS. MESERVE: It's -- This is -- Dr. Paulsen,
20 in your surrebuttal report on Pages 10 through 13, you
21 addressed the assertion that water quality at Prisoner's
22 Point is representative of water quality at Stockton's
23 intake.

24 And you discuss how Prisoner's Point -- neither
25 Prisoner's Point or Buckley Cove is representative for

1 the City's intake. And you include fingerprints, which
2 has come up earlier, in your appendix for the Prisoner's
3 Point but not Buckley Cove.

4 Now, this figure here -- Maybe if you zoomed
5 out a little bit. It's hard to see on the screen.

6 So 16 -- Is it correct, Dr. Paulsen, that 16 is
7 Prisoner's Point and 17 is Buckley Cove?

8 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes. Roughly, yes.

9 MS. MESERVE: Okay. Why is the water at
10 City -- the City's intake not well represented by the
11 fingerprinting from Buckley Cove?

12 WITNESS PAULSEN: Buckley Cove is located
13 closer to the point where the San Joaquin River enters
14 the Delta, and water at Buckley Cove is comprised mostly
15 of San Joaquin River water. And we showed that in
16 detail -- And I forgot the exhibit number, but in the
17 rebuttal testimony.

18 The chloride concentration there is also
19 different. So both the source composition and the
20 salinity of water at Buckley Cove is different from what
21 we see at the City of Stockton's intake location.

22 MS. MESERVE: And are there any sources of
23 water to Stockton that you -- to Stockton's intake or to
24 Buckley Cove that you omitted from your fingerprinting
25 analysis?

1 WITNESS PAULSEN: Oh, this may get to questions
2 that were asked earlier.

3 The fingerprinting included Sacramento River,
4 San Joaquin River, east side streams, Martinez and at
5 Greenwich.

6 In the report, we didn't show the east side
7 streams but they were included in, you know, the DSM-2
8 model runs conducted by DWR and by us. So they weren't
9 depicted but they were shown.

10 And if it helps to clarify, too: After that
11 testimony, we went back and double-checked our results,
12 and we're confident that the remainder that isn't shown
13 was from the east side streams.

14 MS. MESERVE: And so would that -- So this
15 omission doesn't impact your water quality comparisons,
16 then?

17 WITNESS PAULSEN: No. No. It's just that we
18 didn't show it in the plots. It was fully present in the
19 modeling.

20 MS. MESERVE: Thank you.

21 Now, in Section 2.4 of your surrebuttal report,
22 Stockton-48, you discussed the EC-to-chloride conversion
23 equations, and that came up a bit earlier.

24 Can you clarify what your decision-making was
25 for choosing the specific conversion equation for

1 Stockton's intake?

2 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yeah. We looked at the
3 results in the Guivetchi memo which were for those
4 various locations, and we looked at the compositional
5 water at the different locations, and concluded that
6 Station 16 was the station that was nearest Stockton's
7 intake in terms of the water composition there. It's not
8 a perfect match but it's closer than any of the other
9 equations that we found in Guivetchi.

10 MS. MESERVE: Now, with respect to your HABs
11 discussion in 5.3 of Stockton-48, you discuss velocity.

12 Do you have any -- As a person experienced with
13 Delta hydrodynamic modeling, do you have any reason to
14 believe that the modeling for the CWF scenarios might
15 underestimate velocity?

16 WITNESS PAULSEN: Velocity at Stockton's
17 intake?

18 MS. MESERVE: As an example, sure.

19 WITNESS PAULSEN: There's been a fairly
20 extensive calibration exercise for DSM-2, and part of
21 that, as I recall -- I don't remember all the exact
22 locations where they conducted the calibration, but part
23 of that was comparing measured quantities to modeled
24 quantities, and the model captures velocity reasonably
25 well.

1 Is that responsive? I'm not sure --

2 MS. MESERVE: Yes.

3 WITNESS PAULSEN: -- exactly where you're
4 going.

5 MS. MESERVE: I was curious about Stockton's
6 intake.

7 For Stockton's intake, that wasn't part of the
8 velocity information presented that you were concerned
9 with, it sounds like.

10 WITNESS PAULSEN: Oh, no. I think that the
11 DSM-2 model probably does quite a good job of simulating
12 velocity.

13 I was more concerned with the way in which DWR
14 presented that velocity information in DWR-652 and 653.
15 So, they did a cumulative probability diagram, two
16 different kinds. One was based on the daily maximum
17 velocity that was simulated; and the other, I believe,
18 took the absolute value of all of the 15-minute velocity
19 output from the model, took the absolute values to
20 convert the multiposited values and entered a probability
21 distribution on those.

22 So, the point I was trying to make -- And I'm
23 sorry if I wasn't clear. The point I was trying to make
24 is not that we don't trust the model results of velocity.
25 We do.

1 It was, rather, that the way in which DWR took
2 those data and depicted them in the plots and used them
3 as the basis for their conclusions didn't fully consider
4 the sloshing nature of the flows, or the net flow, and
5 flushing, and residence times that occur in that part of
6 the Delta, or in the Delta as a whole.

7 MS. MESERVE: Now, with respect to temperature
8 model -- temperature.

9 You noted in your testimony, Stockton-48, that
10 there was no temperature modeling for other scenarios
11 besides the proposed action and the No-Action
12 Alternative.

13 Could you explain what it is about the B1
14 scenario that -- if you think that would have a greater
15 impact on Stockton's temperature at the intake.

16 WITNESS PAULSEN: The Boundary 1 scenario in
17 general will result in the export of more water from the
18 Delta, I believe, than all the other scenarios, certainly
19 than the others that were presented here in the WaterFix
20 proceeding. That has the impact of increasing residence
21 times. We looked at that.

22 And the concern is that if water is present in
23 the Delta for longer and subject to heating and staying
24 present -- staying in the Delta for longer, that the
25 temperature increases may be higher for that scenario

1 than they would be for other scenarios.

2 MS. MESERVE: Just now, you said -- you
3 referenced other scenarios than were presented here.

4 Isn't it true, Dr. Paulsen, that the
5 Petitioners are requesting a permit here from the Board
6 that would allow for operations under Boundary 1?

7 WITNESS PAULSEN: We've reviewed that testimony
8 in detail. That's my understanding.

9 MS. MESERVE: Thank you.

10 And just -- So it sounds like you do have a
11 concern regarding Boundary 1, but do you also have a
12 concern about temperature with respect to Alternative 4A
13 and the increase in formation of harmful algal blooms?

14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Hold on a second.
15 Mr. Mizell.

16 MR. MIZELL: Yes. I'm going to object as to
17 further explanations about other scenarios under 4A as
18 being beyond the scope of her surrebuttal testimony,
19 although I'm willing to allow her to show us where she
20 may have addressed that and I will withdraw my objection.

21 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: How generous of you,
22 Mr. Mizell.

23 Miss Meserve.

24 (Pause in proceedings.)

25 MS. MESERVE: On temperature . . .

1 So, let me understand the nature of the
2 objection.

3 I guess -- It looks like Dr. Paulsen's
4 testimony on Page 37 and 38 is discussing the results
5 that were provided in the BA which were for the EAA and
6 the NAA. So I'm simply -- And a lot of her other
7 testimony goes into concerns she had about B1. So she
8 already answered my question on that.

9 And then I believe the question I just asked is
10 actually about Alternative 4A, which is definitely the
11 subject matter of Pages 37 and 38.

12 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I see that.

13 So, Mr. Mizell, are you withdrawing your
14 objection?

15 MR. MIZELL: And I believe in response to some
16 questions we asked, she indicated that she was only
17 focusing on Boundary 1 so --

18 WITNESS PAULSEN: No.

19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: No. She mentioned
20 both.

21 So, overruled.

22 Miss Meserve, proceed.

23 MS. MESERVE: Okay. So it's a relatively --
24 I'll just reask the question, if that would be helpful.

25 WITNESS PAULSEN: Thank you.

1 MS. MESERVE: Sorry.

2 Dr. Paulsen, you've explained how you would be
3 concerned about -- why you would also be concerned about
4 B1 though you weren't able to see outputs for that for
5 temperature.

6 But you are also concerned, just to clarify,
7 about the 4A alternative that you saw temperature output
8 for; is that correct?

9 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yes. We've included a couple
10 of quotes on Page 38 that are from DWR-653 where they
11 characterize -- where DWR-653 characterizes increase in
12 the long-term average monthly mean temperatures for some
13 circumstances for the preferred alternative, or the PA --
14 I always forget what that stands for -- relative to the
15 NAA.

16 MS. MESERVE: Right. And -- And, in your
17 experience, temperature is one of the factors leading to
18 increased algal blooms; correct?

19 WITNESS PAULSEN: Yeah. The literature is very
20 clear on that, both for the Delta and for other systems.

21 MS. MESERVE: Thank you.

22 No further questions.

23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you,
24 Miss Meserve.

25 Any redirect, Miss Taber?

1 MS. MESERVE: None.

2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you,
3 Dr. Paulsen.

4 (Witness Paulsen excused.)

5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: We will take our
6 lunch break.

7 We will return at 1:30 for the Department of
8 Water Resources and Mr. Keeling's cross-examination of
9 Mr. Granberg.

10 (Luncheon recess was taken at 12:31 p.m.)

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4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: It is 1:30. We are
5 back in session.

6 I was about to waive DWR's cross-examination
7 but here they come.

8 MS. TABER: While they're setting up, may I ask
9 a procedural question?

10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Please.

11 MS. TABER: It's been a couple of -- well, a
12 month and a half maybe since we've had an update from
13 Petitioners on the status of the EIR certification and
14 the Biological Opinions. And, as I recall, the most
15 recent representation was they expected the EIR to be
16 certified June 23rd, and so I wonder if DWR will be able
17 to give an update today on the schedule.

18 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Let's do that
19 tomorrow at the start of our session.

20 MS. TABER: Thank you.

21 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Mizell, you got
22 that request?

23 MR. MIZELL: (Nodding head.)

24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Since
25 DWR made it back in time, barely, they will now begin

1 their cross-examination of Mr. Granberg.

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3 MS. MCGINNIS: Good afternoon, Mr. Granberg. I
4 hope you had a nice lunch.

5 WITNESS GRANBERG: Yes, I did. Thank you.

6 MS. MCGINNIS: Great. So I'm just going to go
7 over a few items from your surrebuttal.

8 First is a question about a reference you had,
9 and I want to talk about EC levels and MCLs and then some
10 of your information you provided about pretreatment --
11 pretreatment processes.

12 So, in your testimony, you reference the 1998
13 report from the California Urban Water Agencies; correct?

14 WITNESS GRANBERG: Yes.

15 MS. MCGINNIS: And, to your knowledge, were the
16 changes proposed in the 1998 report implemented?

17 WITNESS GRANBERG: I do not know that.

18 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. And are you aware of any
19 pending regulations by the State Board's Division of
20 Drinking Water or U.S. EPA that will implement the
21 standards that were proposed in the 1998 report?

22 WITNESS GRANBERG: No, I'm not aware.

23 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. So, going to your
24 testimony, which is Stockton-39, and then on Page 9.

25 (Document displayed on screen.)

1 MS. MCGINNIS: Lines 20 to 24.

2 (Document displayed on screen.)

3 MS. MCGINNIS: Right there.

4 So, the sentence begins, "the 1998 . . . Water
5 Quality Evaluation referenced" by Dr. Bryan. I'm
6 paraphrasing obviously.

7 So it says the (reading):

8 ". . . Report concluded less than 3 milligrams
9 per liter of total organic carbon would be necessary
10 to allow water users the flexibility to incorporate
11 either enhanced coagulation or ozone disinfection to
12 meet the potential long-term regulatory scenario for
13 the treatment of Delta source water."

14 So that potential long-term regulatory
15 scenario, do you know if that was implemented?

16 WITNESS GRANBERG: I'm trying to think if this
17 has to do with the enhanced -- I'm sorry -- the . . .
18 source water treatment removal, if I'm not mistaken. I
19 can't quote the -- the exact citing of that but I think
20 that's what it has to do with, when the total
21 trihalomethanes and HA5s were reduced to a lower level,
22 so more difficult for treatment plants to achieve
23 compliance.

24 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. So were those changes
25 implemented?

1 WITNESS GRANBERG: Yes, they were.

2 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. Is Stockton's NPDES
3 compliance for electrical conductivity based on a
4 Calendar Year annual average?

5 WITNESS GRANBERG: Yes, it is.

6 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. And in your testimony, on
7 Page 5 --

8 (Document displayed on screen.)

9 MS. MCGINNIS: -- at the very bottom, Line 27,
10 you note that (reading):

11 "The recommended level for specific conductance
12 for drinking water is 900 microsiemens per
13 centimeter."

14 Correct?

15 WITNESS GRANBERG: Yes.

16 MS. MCGINNIS: And then on the next page, on
17 Line 3, you mention the 1600 microsiemens per centimeter
18 maximum; correct.

19 WITNESS GRANBERG: That's what it says, yes.

20 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. And then I understand
21 those figures come from California Code of Regulations
22 Title 22, Section 64449; correct.

23 WITNESS GRANBERG: That sounds correct.

24 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. So I'm going to give you
25 DWR-960.

1 (Document displayed on screen.)

2 MS. MCGINNIS: So does this look like Title 22
3 California Code of Regulations Section 64449 to you?

4 WITNESS GRANBERG: Yes, it does.

5 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. So on Page 2 of DWR-960,
6 it's the -- it shows the -- Actually, the Title for the
7 table is on Page 1, but on Page 2, it says the
8 recommended MCL for specific conductance is 900; correct?

9 WITNESS GRANBERG: Correct.

10 MS. MCGINNIS: And the upper secondary
11 maximum -- sorry -- Up -- The secondary MCL for specific
12 conductance is 1600; correct?

13 WITNESS GRANBERG: Correct.

14 MS. MCGINNIS: And on the line below specific
15 conductance, it shows chloride in milligrams per liter;
16 correct?

17 WITNESS GRANBERG: Correct.

18 MS. MCGINNIS: So are these equivalent levels
19 of salinity, the 900 microsiemens per centimeter and the
20 250 milligrams per liter?

21 WITNESS GRANBERG: As it -- As it says so on
22 this table.

23 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay.

24 WITNESS GRANBERG: That's -- That's what I
25 would go off of, yes.

1 MS. MCGINNIS: And I assume that's the same
2 with the 600 microsiemens per centimeter and the
3 500 milligrams per liter.

4 WITNESS GRANBERG: I would assume. It uses the
5 same conversion, yes.

6 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. Thank you.

7 So, Dr. Paulsen's testimony showed that daily
8 averages for chloride for Alt 4A don't exceed
9 125 milligrams per liter daily average in dry years; is
10 that right?

11 WITNESS GRANBERG: I assume so. I don't recall
12 that.

13 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay.

14 WITNESS GRANBERG: If that was in her
15 testimony . . .

16 MS. TABER: Well, if you can answer, if you
17 know.

18 WITNESS GRANBERG: I assume so, yes.

19 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. So if we could go to
20 Stockton-26.

21 (Document displayed on screen.)

22 MS. MCGINNIS: At .pdf Page 45, that Figure 10.

23 (Document displayed on screen.)

24 MS. MCGINNIS: It shows chloride concentrations
25 at Stockton's intake in dry years, and they're daily

1 averages. I believe that's what the title across the top
2 means, daily averages.

3 So the various lines here are the different
4 scenarios she analyzed. And I'm wondering, did any of
5 the scenarios here go above 150 milligrams per liter?

6 WITNESS GRANBERG: No. Boundary 2 gets very
7 close --

8 MS. MCGINNIS: Agreed.

9 WITNESS GRANBERG: -- in February.

10 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. Thank you.

11 WITNESS GRANBERG: Um-hmm.

12 MS. MCGINNIS: So, also in your testimony, you
13 stated that (reading):

14 "If concentrations of bromide in the City's
15 source water exceed 200 micrograms per liter,
16 Stockton would not be able to use water under its
17 existing ozonation pretreatment process to control
18 taste and odor compounds."

19 Correct?

20 WITNESS GRANBERG: Correct.

21 MS. MCGINNIS: But you also state in your
22 testimony that (reading):

23 "When bromide concentrations reach 200
24 micrograms per liter, the City must employ a
25 pretreatment process using chloramines in

1 conjunction with ozone."

2 WITNESS GRANBERG: Correct.

3 MS. MCGINNIS: Correct?

4 So does that mean the City of Stockton already
5 treats water with ozone factors of 200 micrograms per
6 liter?

7 WITNESS GRANBERG: I believe so. I don't have
8 the plant data in front of me.

9 MS. MCGINNIS: So, your testimony that, "When
10 bromide concentrations reach 200 micrograms per liter,
11 the City must employ a pretreatment process using
12 chloramines in conjunction" --

13 Oh, sorry. That's chloramines.

14 Yeah. I think I've got my constituents mixed
15 up.

16 No, no. Sorry. Scratch that. Let me start
17 over.

18 So your testimony where it says, "When bromide
19 concentrations reach 200 micrograms per liter, the City
20 must employ a pretreatment process using chloramines in
21 conjunction with ozone," is that just reflecting the
22 capability of the treatment plant, then?

23 WITNESS GRANBERG: Yes.

24 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. Thank you.

25 Okay. Also in your testimony, you state that

1 (reading):

2 "In the recent drought, Stockton experienced
3 dissolved organic carbon volumes in the 5 to
4 11 milligrams per liter range."

5 Is that right?

6 WITNESS GRANBERG: Yes.

7 MS. MCGINNIS: And you discussed Dr. Bryan's
8 testimony that shows the current dissolved organic carbon
9 range is 3.4-4.8 milligrams per liter; is that right?

10 WITNESS GRANBERG: Yes, I see that, um-hmm.

11 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. So will the City need to
12 invest in additional treatment processes since you have
13 treated Delta water with higher dissolved organic carbon
14 than the current average range?

15 WITNESS GRANBERG: Yes. If we see that
16 consistently, yes, we would either have to find other
17 sources of water or -- and shut down the intake or add
18 additional treatment.

19 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. And did Stockton provide
20 any evidence of the Project's -- Or did you provide any
21 evidence of the Project increasing those concentrations?

22 WITNESS GRANBERG: I believe it's in
23 Dr. Paulsen's report, but I --

24 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay.

25 WITNESS GRANBERG: Again, I don't have that in

1 front of me.

2 MS. MCGINNIS: That's good.

3 And, actually, that is the end of my questions.

4 Thank you.

5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.

6 Mr. Keeling.

7 (Pause in proceedings.)

8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Before you begin,

9 Mr. Keeling.

10 Mr. Ruiz.

11 MR. RUIZ: Yes. Good afternoon. Dean Ruiz

12 with South Delta Water parties.

13 I just want to ask a question.

14 This moved quicker than I thought, but I

15 have --

16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So did I.

17 (Laughter.)

18 MR. RUIZ: I have Mr. Burke en route. He'll be

19 here shortly. I know we've got a little -- some more

20 time with this and then East Bay MUD's.

21 After Mr. Burke, I could have, if need be,

22 Dr. Leinfelder-Miles and Terry Prichard.

23 Do you think that we'll be getting to them?

24 Should I --

25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Well, let me ask.

1 In addition to Miss Spaletta, who else wished
2 to ask questions of DWR's spreadsheet witness?

3 No one else. So just Miss Spaletta.

4 How much time do you anticipate you need,
5 Miss Spaletta?

6 MS. SPALETTA: 30 minutes to an hour, hopefully
7 closer to 30.

8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay. So, then,
9 Mr. Bray. Is Mr. Bray here for EBMUD?

10 (Pause in proceedings.)

11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Burke is on his
12 way.

13 MR. RUIZ: He is.

14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And next I
15 have . . .

16 I really don't want to get started on them.
17 Let us stop with Mr. Bray and Mr. Burke for the
18 day.

19 MR. RUIZ: Okay. Thank you very much for that.

20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Keeling.

21 MR. KEELING: Good afternoon. Tom Keeling for
22 the San Joaquin County Protestants.

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24 MR. KEELING: Good afternoon, Mr. Granberg.

25 WITNESS GRANBERG: Good afternoon.

1 MR. KEELING: I have just a few questions about
2 water treatment facility operations and operational
3 variations in response to water quality changes,
4 operational time scales, and water quality monitoring, as
5 well as the responses to changes in the -- or increases
6 in certain constituents all referenced in surrebuttal.

7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay.

8 MR. KEELING: Mr. Granberg, in your surrebuttal
9 testimony, you described various treatment processes used
10 by the City of Stockton at its Drinking Water Treatment
11 Plant, and you stated that the City's water treatment
12 facilities were designed and operated based on the
13 salinity levels that had been typical at Stockton's
14 intake.

15 And I'd like to ask you a couple questions
16 about that.

17 Did the City rely on long-term average water
18 quality data in designing the plant?

19 WITNESS GRANBERG: Yes, we did.

20 MR. KEELING: Am I correct in understanding
21 that not all Water Treatment Plants operate in the same
22 fashion?

23 WITNESS GRANBERG: Generally, they do, but
24 treatment plants vary on the unit processes that they --
25 that they incorporate into that overall Treatment Plan,

1 so -- But generally it's -- it's -- You want to separate
2 the solids and then disinfect the water before we put it
3 out in the distribution system.

4 MR. KEELING: Those are objectives, but are
5 there different types of treatment plants?

6 WITNESS GRANBERG: Yes, there are.

7 MR. KEELING: Does the type of treatment plant
8 make a difference in how the City operates, or how it
9 might operate in response to changing source water
10 quality conditions?

11 WITNESS GRANBERG: Yes.

12 MR. KEELING: Can you expatiate on that?

13 WITNESS GRANBERG: Well, it's dependent upon
14 the water quality, which we monitor real-time. We can
15 make immediate changes in the process.

16 For instance, adding -- you know, changing the
17 chemical dosage to respond to, you know, whatever we're
18 trying to remove from the water. That's typically the
19 day-to-day operation of the Water Treatment Plant, is,
20 making those real-time changes in your, for instance,
21 chemical dosage to respond to that incoming water quality
22 to achieve an outgoing water quality that meets
23 regulatory standards.

24 MR. KEELING: Thank you.

25 What kind of Drinking Water Treatment Plant

1 does Stockton use for the Delta water intake?

2 WITNESS GRANBERG: Sure. It's a -- It's a T5
3 plant, which is the highest level of certification for a
4 treatment plant that's permitted through the State. It
5 implements preozonation, flocculation, sedimentation,
6 membrane filtration, and then disinfection using chlorine
7 and additional chloramines for residual disinfection in
8 the distribution system.

9 MR. KEELING: Does the City divert directly to
10 the treatment plant?

11 WITNESS GRANBERG: Yes, it does.

12 MR. KEELING: On what time scale is a T5 Water
13 Treatment Plant operated? And by that, I mean, is it
14 monthly? Hourly? Daily?

15 WITNESS GRANBERG: It's -- It's operated
16 24/7/365 full-time operation with Certified Operators,
17 certified through the State.

18 And, again, they're responding to water quality
19 changes in real-time because that's the -- the level of
20 monitoring that we employ in the Water Treatment Plant
21 itself.

22 MR. KEELING: So measurements in a larger
23 increment, say, daily, wouldn't be of much use to you in
24 that operation?

25 WITNESS GRANBERG: It would if we see trends

1 going -- you know, worsening over time. Then we have
2 essentially time to make those decisions, but -- And
3 we're monitoring that real-time so we can see that trend.
4 We monitor trends through our -- what we call SCADA
5 System, and we can track and monitor those trends over
6 time.

7 MR. KEELING: What was the name of the data
8 system?

9 WITNESS GRANBERG: SCADA. It's Supervisory
10 Control and Data Acquisition System.

11 MR. KEELING: How often is the water quality at
12 Stockton's Delta water intake monitored?

13 WITNESS GRANBERG: For some constituents, it's
14 monitored real-time; for instance, pH, EC, temperature.
15 Those are direct analyzers at the intake itself. Through
16 the treatment process, there are other parameters that
17 we're monitoring. And then the Operators take daily --
18 they do daily testing to optimize the chemical dosage
19 through the treatment process.

20 MR. KEELING: Do you also conduct quarterly
21 water quality monitoring of the water that is delivered
22 to customers?

23 WITNESS GRANBERG: We do, yeah. We're required
24 by State and Federal regulations -- drinking water
25 regulations to do a number of -- take a number of samples

1 for analysis.

2 MR. KEELING: Is quarterly water quality
3 monitoring for secondary contaminants sufficient to
4 maintain water quality for Stockton's customer base?

5 WITNESS GRANBERG: Sufficient to meet the
6 regulations, but it's not sufficient for a utility that's
7 supplying the water, because we have a customer base that
8 we're, you know, supplying and serving, and we're
9 watching that water quality more frequently so that we
10 can ensure that the water we deliver is consistent with,
11 you know, our objectives.

12 MR. KEELING: What happens if quarterly water
13 quality monitoring shows a trend of repeated exceedances
14 of regulatory thresholds?

15 WITNESS GRANBERG: If they're primary drinking
16 water standards, then if we exceed the -- the
17 regulations, then we have to put out a notice to our
18 customers.

19 If they're secondary standards, we would inform
20 our customers of a change in the water quality, but
21 it's -- it's not a regulatory requirement.

22 MR. KEELING: Well, if a very high
23 concentration of chloride or other constituent came into
24 the City's intake, how long would it take for your
25 customers to notice a difference in water quality?

1 WITNESS GRANBERG: Oh. Because we divert
2 directly through the treatment plant and into the
3 distribution system, I would say less than 24 hours, the
4 customer would receive that water that was diverted from
5 the river.

6 MR. KEELING: Could I have Exhibit Stockton-039
7 up, Page 8, starting at Line 6.

8 (Document displayed on screen.)

9 MR. KEELING: Mr. Granberg, if you'd take a
10 look at that sentence beginning at Line 6 of
11 Stockton-039, which is your testimony. It discusses MIB
12 and geosim.

13 Is that how you pronounce it?

14 WITNESS GRANBERG: Right.

15 MR. KEELING: Geosim.

16 WITNESS GRANBERG: Geosim.

17 MR. KEELING: In this testimony, you mention
18 MIB and geosim as compounds that affect the taste and
19 odor of treated water.

20 Are these constituents common?

21 WITNESS GRANBERG: Yes, they are.

22 MR. KEELING: What does Stockton's Water
23 Treatment Plant do to treat these?

24 WITNESS GRANBERG: Well, we implement ozonation
25 as a pretreatment prior to flocculation, sedimentation,

1 and it will neutralize those compounds so that they're
2 not carry through to the distribution system.

3 MR. KEELING: You recall that you testified for
4 the City of Stockton in its -- I believe its direct case
5 in chief sometime ago. I think that's right.

6 Since that time and now, how many times has DWR
7 contacted you to learn more about the operations of the
8 Water Treatment Plant at Stockton?

9 WITNESS GRANBERG: I've never been contacted by
10 DWR either before or after my testimony.

11 MR. KEELING: I think that's all.

12 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Mizell is about
13 to object to that.

14 MR. MIZELL: Yes. I'd like to object to that
15 as beyond his surrebuttal testimony; ask that it be
16 stricken.

17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Sustained.

18 MR. KEELING: Thank you very much.

19 WITNESS GRANBERG: You're welcome.

20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Any redirect,
21 Miss Taber?

22 MS. TABER: None.

23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Thank
24 you, Mr. Granberg.

25 (Witness excused.)

1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: At this time,
2 Miss Taber, do you wish to move the City of Stockton's
3 surrebuttal exhibits?

4 And I emphasize that because there are some
5 outstanding objections to your cross-examination exhibits
6 that was used, and at this time we're not accepting
7 cross-examination exhibits, anyway.

8 So please move your surrebuttal exhibits.

9 MS. TABER: Thank you.

10 Yes, I would like to move into evidence
11 Stockton's Exhibits 39 through 50 as identified on the
12 City's Exhibit Identification Index we filed on June 9th.

13 We do have an updated one that we provided to
14 the Hearing Team in association with the opposition to
15 the motion to strike, but those exhibits I referenced are
16 not part of that motion or cross-examination issues.

17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.

18 So since you brought it up, let's go ahead and
19 address it and get it in the record right now.

20 In conducting your cross-examination and . . .
21 you made references to Stockton-41, 43 and 44, which then
22 were objected to, but those exhibits are actually 51, 52
23 and 53; correct?

24 MS. TABER: I believe the objection was only to
25 the exhibits that were the EcoRestore documents, so not

1 all three of the cross-examination exhibits of the City's
2 were subject to the objection, as I recall the hearing.

3 The other one was a page from the -- The one I
4 refer to as Document 51 was the Final EIR/EIS.

5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: We're looking at it
6 right now, and so 51, 52, 53 are up there.

7 Could I get a clarification, Mr. Mizell? I
8 understood you to object to 41, 43 and 44, which are now
9 51, 52 and 53.

10 MR. MIZELL: So, the basis of our objection was
11 going into projects other than the Project Petition
12 before the Board for the purpose of exploring the subject
13 of habitat restoration.

14 If the Final EIR/EIS citation contained in --
15 I believe you said, 50 . . .

16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: 51.

17 MR. MIZELL: -- 51 is unrelated to the line of
18 questioning on habitat restoration, then I'd be happy to
19 file something removing that from the objection.

20 But when I went through the transcript, it was
21 my understanding that those exhibits were used in the
22 objectionable line of questioning and so I was objecting
23 to their use at that time.

24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. I just
25 want to get into the record, we're not moving those

1 exhibits in today, so you have some time to address that
2 with Mr. Mizell.

3 MS. TABER: Thank you.

4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And at this time,
5 though, we will accept into the record your
6 Exhibits . . .

7 Help me out.

8 MS. TABER: 39 through 50.

9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: 39 through 50.

10 MS. TABER: Thank you.

11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you,
12 Miss Taber.

13 (City of Stockton's Exhibits 39 - 50
14 received into the record)

15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Thank
16 you, Mr. Granberg.

17 (Witness excused.)

18 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Now we are turning
19 to Mr. Mizell and Miss McGinnis and I only have
20 Miss Spaletta conducting questioning of this witness.

21 Let's begin with you, Mr. Mizell or
22 Miss McGinnis, to identify your witness. I need to
23 administer the oath.

24 MR. MIZELL: Yes.

25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And then he needs to

1 validate whatever was submitted.

2 MR. MIZELL: Okay.

3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Yes.

4 MR. MIZELL: This is Mr. Aaron Miller.

5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miller.

6 MR. MIZELL: Yes. And he works with

7 Mr. Leahigh in the operations component of the Department
8 of Water Resources.

9 And, yes, he does need to take the oath.

10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.

11 Mr. Miller, if you would please stand and raise your
12 right hand.

13 AARON MILLER,

14 called as witness for the Petitioners, having been duly
15 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you. Be
17 seated.

18 And as someone who tried to play with your
19 spreadsheet, let me express my great admiration. It even
20 boggled my mind, in a good way.

21 MR. MIZELL: I suppose the first question is
22 whether or not Mr. Hunt and Mr. Long have the
23 spreadsheets to reference this afternoon. If not, I have
24 a USB drive that contains them.

25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: It took my computer

1 quite a while to open it. State-issued computer, I want
2 to emphasize.

3 (Document displayed on screen.)

4 MR. MIZELL: So one aspect of these two
5 spreadsheets that Miss Spaletta and I have not yet
6 coordinated on is what do we call them when referring to
7 them today.

8 And I would make the suggestion now that we
9 refer to one as the Piechart Spreadsheet, because I
10 believe that's in the title, and the other, Historical
11 Use Spreadsheet because I also believe that is in the
12 title. Let's see.

13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And so which one is
14 it that we're looking at here?

15 WITNESS GRANBERG: This is the piechart one.

16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay. And the other
17 one is the historical.

18 MS. SPALETTA: For the record, this is Jennifer
19 Spaletta representing San Joaquin parties and North
20 San Joaquin Water Conservation District.

21 I think it would be appropriate to go ahead and
22 give these spreadsheets an exhibit number and title, if
23 that's okay with the Hearing Officers.

24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Any objection,
25 Mr. Mizell?

1 MR. MIZELL: None.

2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Then let's go ahead
3 and do that.

4 MS. SPALETTA: I think that we ended somewhere
5 in the 200 and teens for San Joaquin County, so why don't
6 we label this first exhibit, which is the Excel
7 spreadsheet that was produced on June 16th, we'll call
8 that San Joaquin -- SJC-220.

9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: That would be the
10 piechart.

11 MS. SPALETTA: Yes.

12 MR. MIZELL: (Nodding head.)

13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: 220.

14 (County of San Joaquin, San Joaquin
15 County Flood Control and Water
16 Conservation District, and
17 Mokelumne River Water and Power
18 Authority's Exhibits 220 & 221
19 marked for identification)

20 MS. SPALETTA: And just to be clear for the
21 record, that is the Excel spreadsheet that supports DWR
22 Exhibits 903, 904 and 905.

23 Correct, Mr. Mizell?

24 MR. MIZELL: That's correct.

25 MS. SPALETTA: And then the second spreadsheet

1 that was produced on June 20th will be Exhibit SJC-221,
2 and that is the DWR spreadsheet regarding historic use
3 that supports DWR Exhibit 906.

4 Is that correct?

5 MR. MIZELL: That's correct.

6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.

7 Mr. Mizell.

8 MR. MIZELL: Thank you.

9 So it's our understanding that we're here
10 producing Mr. Miller to speak to the data that sits
11 behind the exhibits that were generated by Mr. Leahigh
12 for his testimony, Exhibits DWR-903 through 906, and that
13 was the extent of what we were here to talk about.

14 These spreadsheets were produced for that
15 purpose and Mr. Miller can speak to these spreadsheets.
16 And I'll have him authenticate the spreadsheets now.

17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.

18 WITNESS MILLER: Okay. I was wondering if we
19 could take a look at Bar Chart -- Sheet Bar Chart A
20 Export. I'm having trouble actually reading those but I
21 think that one right there is.

22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: You need to speak
23 into the microphone and perhaps slow down a little bit
24 for the court reporter.

25 WITNESS MILLER: I apologize.

1 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY

2 MR. MIZELL: Mr. Miller, if you could, please,
3 first start out by simply describing whether or not you
4 created the spreadsheets and if they were utilized for
5 the creation of DWR Exhibits 903 through 906.

6 WITNESS MILLER: Okay. I worked with staff in
7 our office to create -- I think it's now SJC-220. That's
8 this one; right?

9 MS. SPALETTA: (Nodding head.)

10 WITNESS MILLER: And we initially built this
11 spreadsheet to create Exhibit 8 -- DWR-850 and 851, and
12 those should be in these orange tabs. So it would be the
13 tab to the right of this one.

14 (Document displayed on screen.)

15 WITNESS MILLER: So this is the Exhibit
16 DWR-850.

17 MS. SPALETTA: For the record, can you please
18 state the name of the tab that relates to DWR
19 Exhibit 850?

20 WITNESS MILLER: Yes. It's Bar Chart Export
21 Water Volume, and this is consistent with DWR-850.

22 If we can take a look at Bar Chart Volume.
23 That would be two tabs to the --

24 (Document displayed on screen.)

25 WITNESS MILLER: There we go.

1 And this would be the ones -- This would be
2 what DWR-851 was -- oh, sorry -- created. So this does
3 look like the right spreadsheet.

4 I guess that was the question; right?

5 MR. MIZELL: To be clear, Mr. Miller, we're
6 here to discuss the data behind DWR Exhibits 903, 904,
7 905 and 906.

8 Can you explain which portions of the
9 spreadsheets relate to those exhibits specifically,
10 please.

11 WITNESS MILLER: So, DWR-903 would be the tab
12 all the way to the left, and it would be Data 2011.

13 (Document displayed on screen.)

14 WITNESS MILLER: DWR-904 would be Data 2012.

15 (Document displayed on screen.)

16 WITNESS MILLER: And DWR-905 would be Data
17 2015.

18 (Document displayed on screen.)

19 MR. MIZELL: Thank you.

20 Can we now turn to SJC-221, the Historic Use
21 Spreadsheet.

22 (Document displayed on screen.)

23 MR. MIZELL: And, Mr. Miller, can you explain
24 how this relates to DWR Exhibit 906.

25 WITNESS MILLER: Yeah. This -- This table was

1 created into a .pdf which became DWR-906.

2 MR. MIZELL: And the tab you're referring to is
3 Sum-4-Chart 3?

4 WITNESS MILLER: That's correct.

5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.

6 Miss Spaletta, your turn.

7 MS. SPALETTA: Great. Thank you.

8 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY

9 MS. SPALETTA: Let's go back to the first
10 spreadsheets, SJC-220.

11 (Document displayed on screen.)

12 MS. SPALETTA: And my purpose today is just to
13 understand how you put these various tabs together that
14 ended up resulting in the exhibits that you just
15 described.

16 WITNESS MILLER: (Nodding head.)

17 MS. SPALETTA: So I did spend some time with
18 these spreadsheets, and I'm hoping I can make this
19 shorter by telling you what I understand. You tell me if
20 I'm correct, and then it would maybe go a little bit
21 faster.

22 So what I understood about this spreadsheet was
23 that the three tabs that are labeled Data'11, Data'12 and
24 Data'15 contain essentially raw data and all of the other
25 tabs contain some manipulation or post-processing of that

1 raw data; is that correct?

2 WITNESS MILLER: The -- Right. The Data
3 apostrophe some number would be where the raw data is,
4 and then it's further processed from there.

5 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. So let's go ahead and
6 start, then, with the first tab, which is Data'11. And
7 I'm just going to ask you some questions to figure out
8 where this data came from.

9 So we'll start with Column A, and that's simply
10 the date; correct?

11 WITNESS MILLER: Correct.

12 MS. SPALETTA: And then the next column is
13 "FRSA." And Mr. Leahigh testified that that was Feather
14 River Service Area.

15 Is that your understanding as well?

16 WITNESS MILLER: Feather River Services Area.
17 Is that -- or Service.

18 MS. SPALETTA: Is that correct?

19 WITNESS MILLER: Yes.

20 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. And where do the numbers
21 that appear in Column B come from?

22 WITNESS MILLER: The numbers from Column B can
23 be found on our website.

24 MS. SPALETTA: On DWR's website?

25 WITNESS MILLER: Yes.

1 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. Is that CDEC numbers?

2 WITNESS MILLER: It's -- There's an Operations
3 Control website.

4 MS. SPALETTA: Um-hmm. And do you understand
5 how those numbers were generated, like if it's measured
6 at a particular point and then posted to the website?

7 WITNESS MILLER: These -- So this particular
8 number is a summation of four numbers, and they're from
9 the four Service -- or Feather River Service Area
10 contractors that worked at the afterbay, and so that
11 would be Western Canal, Sutter Mutual, Ridge Vail
12 and . . . another one. I --

13 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. So the numbers that we
14 see in Column B are the sum of the diversions to those
15 four groups of water users.

16 WITNESS MILLER: Correct.

17 MS. SPALETTA: And the water that gets diverted
18 by those four groups, where does it come from?

19 WITNESS MILLER: Out of the afterbay.

20 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. And how does it get into
21 the afterbay?

22 WITNESS MILLER: From Oroville.

23 MS. SPALETTA: And how does it get into
24 Oroville? Is it all stored water that's released into
25 the afterbay or could it be some combination of natural

1 flow that is bypassed through?

2 MR. MIZELL: I'm going to object at this point.
3 This is beyond the scope of what we're here to talk about
4 today. We're here to investigate how the exhibits were
5 created from the spreadsheet, not whether or not the data
6 within the spreadsheet is or is not related to operations
7 of Lake Oroville, natural flow, or any other source of
8 water. That goes well beyond the scope of the exhibits
9 we're here to discuss.

10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Spaletta.

11 MS. SPALETTA: Well, I think the whole point of
12 these charts was to have Mr. Leahigh draw a conclusion
13 about stored and unstored water.

14 And so I'm trying to understand the data that
15 underlies those charts to understand whether the numbers
16 in any particular column that ended up appearing on his
17 charts included stored or unstored water.

18 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: To what extent,
19 Mr. Miller, are you familiar with that?

20 WITNESS MILLER: Well, this particular analysis
21 doesn't look at whether the water is stored or unstored.
22 It just looks at Feather River Service Area and releases
23 to the river.

24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So that might be a
25 shortcut to -- to that question.

1 MS. SPALETTA: So you don't know the answer to
2 the question, then.

3 WITNESS MILLER: This spreadsheet doesn't look
4 at that.

5 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. Is there another
6 spreadsheet that's maintained at DWR that does look at
7 that?

8 MR. MIZELL: Objection: Beyond the scope of
9 what we're here to discuss.

10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Sustained.

11 MS. SPALETTA: I'll just note for the record
12 that to the extent Mr. Leahigh is allowed to produce
13 evidence and express an opinion about percentages of the
14 use of stored and unstored water of the Project, that it
15 is important that the stakeholders understand the basis
16 for those opinions and for that evidence.

17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So noted.

18 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. Let's move on, then, to
19 Column C, which is blue numbers with the title Total
20 Oroville Release.

21 Where do these numbers come from?

22 WITNESS MILLER: These numbers can also be
23 found on our website. So this is the total release from
24 the Oroville complex to the river, Feather River.

25 MS. SPALETTA: Is that from some type of a

1 measurement device?

2 WITNESS MILLER: Yes.

3 MS. SPALETTA: And I think that I understand
4 that the total amount of water coming out of Oroville is
5 actually a combination of this Total Oroville Release
6 plus the FRSA deliveries.

7 Am I understanding that correctly?

8 WITNESS MILLER: Can you ask that one again?

9 MS. SPALETTA: Sure.

10 WITNESS MILLER: Sorry.

11 MS. SPALETTA: My understanding, after looking
12 at these sheets, was that the total amount of water
13 coming out of Oroville was a combination of the numbers
14 in Column C and the numbers in Column B.

15 WITNESS MILLER: Yeah. Yes.

16 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. All right. And then the
17 numbers in Column D, where do those come from?

18 WITNESS MILLER: So these numbers are
19 determined . . . are determined by looking at the 1983
20 Department of Fish & Game Agreement.

21 So they're calculated essentially on the fly,
22 and it changes seasonally, and there's a couple different
23 levels that -- that -- that is specified in an agreement.

24 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. So if I'm understanding
25 correctly, the numbers that are put in here are straight

1 out of an agreement or is it a measurement of an amount
2 of water?

3 WITNESS MILLER: It -- It would be based on a
4 measurement.

5 MS. SPALETTA: On a measurement.

6 And where is that measurement taking place?

7 WITNESS MILLER: So, this looks -- The
8 agreement looks at the unimpaired flow into Oroville
9 April through July as one measurement.

10 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. I think we're getting
11 confused.

12 The number -- Let's just give this some very
13 specific parameters. Let's look at January 1st.

14 If you could scroll up to the top.

15 (Scrolling up document.)

16 MS. SPALETTA: And the first number in Column D
17 for January 1st is 1,275.

18 WITNESS MILLER: Yes.

19 MS. SPALETTA: And where did that number come
20 from?

21 WITNESS MILLER: That was based on the
22 agreement. And so one would look at that agreement and
23 where we were in storage and the unimpaired runoff from
24 April through July.

25 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. So you're saying that you

1 put in here the numbers that the agreement told you
2 should be released based on the hydrologic conditions
3 during this time period.

4 WITNESS MILLER: That is correct.

5 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. So this is not a number
6 that came from a measurement device specifically, like a
7 flow rate measurement device.

8 WITNESS MILLER: Yeah. I may have
9 misunderstood what you were asking me.

10 MS. SPALETTA: Okay.

11 WITNESS MILLER: Yes.

12 MS. SPALETTA: And then the next two columns
13 are E and F and they both have the Numbers 50 in them.

14 Where do those numbers come from and what do
15 they represent?

16 MR. MIZELL: And unless Miss Spaletta objects,
17 can we take it column-by-column --

18 MS. SPALETTA: Sure.

19 MR. MIZELL: -- in order to be very specific
20 here?

21 MS. SPALETTA: So Column E is entitled "Ag" and
22 the numbers are 50, at least for the month of January.

23 So what does that represent?

24 WITNESS MILLER: Yes. So this represents a --
25 like, a buffer on top of the -- on top of the fish

1 requirement.

2 So we would -- During operations, rather than
3 using 1275, we would release 1325. So we would add a 50
4 cfs buffer onto whatever the requirement is.

5 MS. SPALETTA: And this is just a number that
6 gets typed in here for a buffer as opposed to being
7 measured at a particular location; right?

8 WITNESS MILLER: Yes. This is not measured.

9 MS. SPALETTA: And so then let's go to Column F
10 which has the same title "Ag" and the same numbers.

11 What does Column F represent?

12 (Document displayed on screen.)

13 MS. MCGINNIS: Objection: Vague.

14 Do Columns E and F have the same title?

15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Yeah.

16 WITNESS MILLER: They do.

17 MS. MCGINNIS: I stand corrected.

18 MR. MIZELL: Mr. Miller, is Column E actually
19 entitled "Min Ag"?

20 WITNESS MILLER: I don't know. Can we --

21 MS. SPALETTA: We can get --

22 WITNESS MILLER: -- click on the cell?

23 MS. SPALETTA: Yeah. If you look at the cell
24 for D, just highlight "F.R. Min."

25 (Column highlighted on screen.)

1 MS. SPALETTA: There you go.

2 WITNESS MILLER: So, yeah, I guess there is --
3 There's a greater category, "Feather River Min," that
4 includes fish and ag.

5 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. So under the heading F.R.
6 Min, there are two subheadings. One is "Fish" and one is
7 "Ag"?

8 WITNESS MILLER: Yes.

9 MS. SPALETTA: I see. Thank you.

10 Okay. Then moving on to Column F, which is
11 entitled "Ag."

12 What does that represent?

13 WITNESS MILLER: So, the Column E would be a --
14 maybe a target. So we would target a buffer of 50, but
15 when we actually are releasing water, it may not have a
16 50 cfs buffer. It might have something a little bit
17 smaller so that F is an adjustment to that.

18 So it has a formula in it that looks at . . .
19 basically takes that difference and -- So I don't think
20 it rarely goes below 50 but it just tracks it if it does.

21 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. So, if we could have --
22 Who's over there controlling things?

23 MR. HUNT: Mr. Hunt.

24 MS. SPALETTA: Mr. Hunt.

25 If we could have Mr. Hunt put the cursor on the

1 first cells so we can see the formula.

2 (Cell opened on screen.)

3 MS. SPALETTA: I see.

4 Okay. So there's some type of a formula
5 embedded in here. And the purpose of the formula is to
6 compute what the exact buffer is on any given day?

7 WITNESS MILLER: Yes.

8 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. Then the next, Column G.

9 Can you tell us what the title of that column
10 is and what it represents.

11 WITNESS MILLER: So this is Banks Pumping, so
12 this is a pumping plant in the Delta.

13 MS. SPALETTA: Um-hmm.

14 WITNESS MILLER: And this is data from the
15 daily -- daily flow.

16 MS. SPALETTA: And so this is measured data?

17 WITNESS MILLER: This is measured.

18 MS. SPALETTA: Also available on DWR's website?

19 WITNESS MILLER: Right.

20 MS. SPALETTA: And then the next, Column H?

21 WITNESS MILLER: So H is a flag for when the
22 Delta is either in excess conditions or in balanced
23 conditions. So "Y" would represent periods when the
24 Delta was in excess.

25 MS. SPALETTA: And who put the Ys or the Ns in

1 here?

2 WITNESS MILLER: Who did?

3 MS. SPALETTA: Yes.

4 WITNESS MILLER: I'm not sure who but . . .

5 MS. SPALETTA: Where did you get the Ys and the
6 Ns that are in this column?

7 WITNESS MILLER: It's -- It's all mine as well.
8 I don't know if we have that necessarily on our website,
9 but Reclamation does.

10 MS. SPALETTA: And then the next, Column I,
11 entitled "Any Flood Rel?" It has Ys or Ns.

12 What does this represent and where did the
13 information come from?

14 WITNESS MILLER: So, this -- this is any flood
15 release. So, this -- this is another flag.

16 And so a user would put a "yes" for -- during
17 periods where we're in some sort of flood control
18 operation.

19 MS. SPALETTA: And where did the information
20 that's depicted in the column come from, the Ns or the
21 Ys?

22 WITNESS MILLER: A user.

23 MS. SPALETTA: I'm sorry?

24 WITNESS MILLER: Whoever put the numbers in
25 here.

1 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. I thought you prepared
2 the spreadsheet.

3 WITNESS MILLER: This is prepared by me, staff
4 and . . . staff.

5 MS. SPALETTA: Are there people named "Staff"
6 or is there someone else that works with you?

7 WITNESS MILLER: I'm sorry?

8 MS. SPALETTA: Who is -- Who put the numbers in
9 Column I, and where did they get the information?

10 WITNESS MILLER: Oh, this would be -- The
11 information would have come from what -- what our
12 thoughts were in terms of whether we were in operating --
13 operating to flood control or not.

14 MS. SPALETTA: So if I wanted to get that same
15 information, where would I go today to get it?

16 WITNESS MILLER: You would ask us, I guess.
17 There's . . .

18 One could potentially look at the flow control
19 storage in -- in Oroville, which is on CDEC and CORE
20 and . . .

21 So during those periods where we're operating
22 in a flood space, we would certainly have a -- a Y in
23 that -- in that column.

24 There could be other periods as well. For
25 example, in 2011, we were trying to get down to flood

1 control late in the summer or -- or flood control in the
2 fall.

3 MS. SPALETTA: And so I told you that I looked
4 at all of these sheets and I looked at the formulas. And
5 the reason I thought this information in Column I is in
6 the data sheet is because whether there's a "Y" or an "N"
7 in that column actually affects the post-processing of
8 the data in the subsequent sheets; is that correct?

9 WITNESS MILLER: That's correct.

10 MS. SPALETTA: So some decision was made by you
11 or your staff to put an "Y" or an "N" in Column I for the
12 Data'12 sheet and the Data'15 sheet.

13 WITNESS MILLER: Correct.

14 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. And, then, looking at
15 Column J, which is entitled "2011" and has, at least for
16 January, the word "ok" in the cell, what does that
17 represent?

18 WITNESS MILLER: So, Column J is a relic, and
19 it's really not used -- I mean, it's in the spreadsheet
20 but it's not relevant to the exhibit.

21 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. All right. So, then,
22 what I want to talk to you about is how you took the
23 information that you just described to me in this
24 Data'11 sheet and what you did to it in the next sheet,
25 which is Data 2011, which I think you testified

1 previously is the same as what DWR produced as DWR
2 Exhibit 903; correct?

3 MR. MIZELL: Objection: Misstates the
4 testimony.

5 It is the basis on which DWR-903 is created but
6 it is not necessarily the same.

7 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. Well, that actually is an
8 important distinction.

9 What is it about what I'm looking at in Data
10 2011 that is different from Exhibit 903?

11 WITNESS MILLER: One's a spreadsheet and one's
12 a .pdf.

13 MS. SPALETTA: Other than that, are there any
14 substantive differences?

15 WITNESS MILLER: I think the data's all the
16 same.

17 MS. SPALETTA: All right. So, then, let's go
18 ahead and go through this and hopefully you can answer my
19 questions.

20 Some of this was already addressed by
21 Mr. Leahigh or by you and so I'm just going to skip to
22 the things that I still have questions about.

23 So let's go to . . . Let's go to look at the
24 columns that are hidden, because some of the columns in
25 this spreadsheet are hidden.

1 Mr. Hunt, do you know how to unhide the
2 columns?

3 (Hidden columns displayed on screen.)

4 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. So the first column that
5 Mr. Hunt has unhidden is Column H, and it looked to me
6 like Column H was simply the sum of all of the in-stream
7 requirement releases that were in Columns D through G; is
8 that correct?

9 WITNESS MILLER: That's correct.

10 MS. SPALETTA: And then the next set of columns
11 that were hidden are Columns, I think, N through S, and
12 so I want to find out what is in these columns and how it
13 affects what we actually saw on Exhibit 903.

14 So let's talk about Column N first.

15 WITNESS MILLER: Column N is what we were
16 looking at on the previous sheet, so it should be linking
17 to that previous sheet.

18 MS. SPALETTA: So I think that's the same for
19 Column O as well; right? These are simply the
20 hard-entered numbers from the previous sheet for fish and
21 for ag?

22 WITNESS MILLER: Yeah.

23 MS. SPALETTA: So, then, Column P is simply the
24 total of those two columns?

25 WITNESS MILLER: Yes.

1 MS. SPALETTA: And then what's Column Q?

2 WITNESS MILLER: Column Q is a representation
3 of the Banks exports, and I believe this column tries to
4 adjust for transfers. I think that one's linking to --
5 Can we look at the -- the cell on that one?

6 (Cell displayed on screen.)

7 WITNESS MILLER: Yes. That's looking at
8 something off on the right-hand side.

9 MS. SPALETTA: Do you need more information to
10 answer the question?

11 WITNESS MILLER: Oh, I think it was linking to
12 something off the right-hand side so . . .

13 MS. SPALETTA: We need to scroll over?

14 WITNESS MILLER: We do.

15 MS. SPALETTA: Can we scroll over, please?

16 (Scrolling over on document.)

17 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. So what is happening here
18 in Column Q?

19 WITNESS MILLER: I'm having trouble seeing the
20 formula.

21 MS. SPALETTA: Do you have a screen in front of
22 you?

23 WITNESS MILLER: No.

24 So, in one of those columns, export columns, it
25 adjusts for transfers. 2011 didn't have any transfers,

1 so essentially it would be the same as on the previous
2 sheet and the same as Column N.

3 MS. SPALETTA: So that was kind of my
4 question.

5 If Mr. Hunt could put the cursor on
6 January 1st of Column N, which is the SWP export.

7 (Displaying Column N cell.)

8 MS. SPALETTA: That's actually a formula that
9 adds up what's in Column Q minus what's in Column R minus
10 what's in Column S. So it's not actually the measured
11 exports, it's the measured exports with a couple of
12 adjustments; correct?

13 WITNESS MILLER: In 2011, there would be no
14 adjustments.

15 MS. SPALETTA: In the whole year, or in this
16 particular day?

17 WITNESS MILLER: In the whole year.

18 MS. SPALETTA: But in other years, there are,
19 particularly 2015; correct.

20 WITNESS MILLER: That's correct.

21 MS. SPALETTA: And what are those adjustments?
22 So what is happening -- What are the numbers that are in
23 Column R? What do they represent?

24 WITNESS MILLER: Column R would be the water
25 transfer -- dry year -- dry-year water transfer or -- or

1 code water. So it would be water that originated from
2 somewhere else besides Oroville.

3 MS. SPALETTA: That got exported?

4 WITNESS MILLER: Typically, yes.

5 MS. SPALETTA: And then what does Column S
6 represent?

7 WITNESS MILLER: Column S is CVC water, so
8 that's Cross Valley Canal water.

9 MS. SPALETTA: So that's water that's pumped at
10 Banks and ultimately delivered through the Cross Valley
11 Canal to a Bureau contractor?

12 WITNESS MILLER: Yes.

13 MS. SPALETTA: So, essentially what's happening
14 here, then, is, you're taking the measured exports at
15 Banks in Column Q and then reducing that amount by any
16 transfers or any water pumped at Banks that was
17 ultimately delivered to a CVP contractor through the
18 Cross Valley Canal. And the result, then, of that mass
19 is landing in Column M called "SWP Export"?

20 WITNESS MILLER: I believe I followed that,
21 yes.

22 So Q is adjusted by transfers and it ultimately
23 ends up in -- in M.

24 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. Yeah. Got it.

25 All right. Now, scrolling over to Column Y,

1 which is the Exported Unstored Flow.

2 (Scrolling over on document.)

3 MS. SPALETTA: If we could highlight that cell
4 with the first Number 7343.

5 (Document highlighted on screen.)

6 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. So this is a -- a process
7 number.

8 And can you describe to me how you get to this
9 number.

10 WITNESS MILLER: So this analysis in general
11 splits up Oroville releases into different components.
12 It also splits up exports into different components, as
13 shown in 850 and 851.

14 So this calculates the component that came
15 from -- during certain conditions and certain flow or
16 flood control releases. So it's the -- kind of that
17 category.

18 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. Is there any way to tell
19 from what's in Column Y whether this unstored flow came
20 from the Feather River versus the Delta channels?

21 WITNESS MILLER: No.

22 MS. SPALETTA: And is that information kept by
23 DWR somewhere else?

24 MR. MIZELL: Objection: Goes beyond the scope
25 of this spreadsheet.

1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Spaletta.

2 MS. SPALETTA: Well, I think Mr. Leahigh was
3 making an analysis based on Oroville, and so I'm trying
4 to understand if this unstored water, if I can tell how
5 much of that came through Oroville versus how much of it
6 came from other places.

7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Overruled.

8 Mr. Miller, do you have an answer for that?

9 WITNESS MILLER: This spreadsheet doesn't look
10 at water that was stored or unstored other than at the
11 Banks Pumping Plant. It just -- If we're in excess
12 conditions, water's coming from somewhere all over and
13 that's what's categorized here.

14 MS. SPALETTA: For purposes of separating out
15 DWR's direct diversion right and its storage right, is
16 this essentially what DWR considers its direct diversion
17 of water under its water right?

18 MR. MIZELL: Objection: Neither the
19 spreadsheet nor Mr. Leahigh's testimony speaks to whether
20 or not the charts produced for 903 and 906 addressed
21 water rights in particular. That's completely silent.

22 We haven't had any evidence to date to try and
23 challenge the existing water rights. And, in fact, I
24 believe the words "previous notice" has indicated that
25 this hearing's not a referendum on the existing water

1 rights or existing operations of the State Water Project.

2 So I would object based upon beyond the scope
3 of the case in chief, rebuttal, surrebuttal and this
4 spreadsheet.

5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Spaletta.

6 MS. SPALETTA: I have no intention of
7 challenging the water rights with that question. I truly
8 am trying to understand how this number is the same or
9 different than what gets reported by DWR on its Reports
10 As Permittee as the amounts that are directly diverted.

11 And so I'm -- I'm just trying to figure out if
12 I can look at this number that says Exported Unstored
13 Flow and kind of put that in a category of, okay, that's
14 everything that DWR's directly diverting so I should be
15 able to match that up with what's on DWR's Reports of
16 Permittee for direct diversion. I'm trying to figure out
17 if it's in the same category.

18 MR. MIZELL: And then --

19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Mizell.

20 MR. MIZELL: Yeah. Again, I would indicate,
21 the reports filed by the Department for purposes of water
22 rights reporting are not data that was relied upon by
23 Mr. Leahigh or by Mr. Miller. They relied upon the data
24 sources that Mr. Miller has just indicated populate the
25 spreadsheet.

1 It's a different category of accounting process
2 that goes on. It's not germane to this process. And
3 it's intended to, I mean, ultimately lead to a challenge
4 of the existing water rights.

5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Whatever its
6 intention, I -- I -- I would hope that Miss Spaletta is
7 attempting to put the data in context, which is what I'm
8 trying to understand as well.

9 Mr. Jackson.

10 MR. JACKSON: Well, I certainly agree with
11 that, but I also wanted to add the fact that one of the
12 issues that -- that the WaterFix hearing is about is
13 whether or not this is a new source of water for a new
14 water right or whether it's essentially the same water
15 right.

16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I think that's
17 definitely beyond Mr. Miller's area of expertise as -- as
18 a Modeler in a spreadsheet.

19 But, Mr. Mizell, I'm going to overrule your
20 objection, but I will keep a close eye on Miss Spaletta
21 and where she goes with this question.

22 As long as it's to put the information in the
23 appropriate context in order to understand how the data
24 was analyzed and provided to us, I will allow you to
25 proceed, Miss Spaletta.

1 MS. SPALETTA: So, my question was aimed at
2 trying to understand whether what I'm seeing in Column Y
3 that is entitled Exported Unstored Flow is essentially
4 the same thing as what DWR calls what it's directly
5 diverting under its water rights.

6 WITNESS MILLER: I -- I don't know if it's the
7 same.

8 I could further explain how this analysis was
9 done regarding this column, but I don't know how -- how
10 it compares to, say, what our SWAP (phonetic) folks do.

11 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. So this is not something
12 you've been involved in and are not able to speak to that
13 issue?

14 WITNESS MILLER: No.

15 MS. SPALETTA: Let's go ahead, then, and look
16 at . . .

17 We'll look at the green tab called Data 2015.

18 (Document displayed on screen.)

19 MS. SPALETTA: And I think that Mr. Mizell
20 already asked you this, but everything that you've just
21 described to me about how you took the data from 2011 and
22 post-processed it in the sheet called Data 2011, do all
23 those same rules and methods apply to how you
24 post-processed the data from 2012 and the data from 2015?

25 WITNESS MILLER: It should be. Yeah, it should

1 be, but there could be some odd formula things. It
2 transfers in this 2015 at . . . some issues.

3 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. And that's what I wanted
4 to try and clear up, because I know that, previously,
5 Mr. Leahigh attempted to describe this but without having
6 the spreadsheet in front of him, it was a little tricky.

7 So if we could ahead and unhide the Columns M
8 through S again in this spreadsheet entitled Data 2015.

9 (Columns unhidden on screen.)

10 MS. SPALETTA: And can we scroll down -- scroll
11 down to I think it's July when we started seeing the
12 negative numbers in the export column.

13 (Scrolling down document.)

14 MS. SPALETTA: And maybe you could help us walk
15 through what this means.

16 So, on Exhibit 905, there were negative numbers
17 in the Export column beginning, I think, July 2nd. So if
18 we could look at July 2nd.

19 (Document displayed on screen.)

20 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. So there we have the
21 negative numbers in the export column and, again, we have
22 a cell highlighted here on July 2nd that shows us the
23 same formula that we just looked at when we went over the
24 2011 spreadsheet, which is, you took the total measured
25 exports which is Column Q and then subtracted out

1 information from Column R and Column S.

2 So we now have Column R and Column S and Column
3 Q unhidden and we see the numbers in there. And let's
4 just use this July 2nd, 2015, as an example.

5 If you could explain to us how we got to a
6 negative number for SWP Exports in Column M, please.

7 WITNESS MILLER: Okay. I think we've -- On the
8 previous sheet, we were looking at Columns R and S as
9 being transfers in CVC. We also have a Z -- Column Z and
10 Column AA which are also transfers in CVC.

11 So what -- what happened in this case is that
12 the transfers were included twice, essentially. So
13 essentially in this case they're double-counted.
14 However, it really has very little effect on the overall
15 analysis, talking about 30,000 cfs or -- sorry -- 3,000
16 acre-feet.

17 MS. SPALETTA: 30,000 acre-feet for the entire
18 year?

19 WITNESS MILLER: Yes.

20 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. And what was -- Which
21 total was off by 30,000?

22 WITNESS MILLER: So, it would be -- column-wise
23 or graphically?

24 MS. SPALETTA: Column-wise.

25 WITNESS MILLER: It would be Column M.

1 MS. SPALETTA: And was it 30,000 too high or
2 30,000 too low?

3 WITNESS MILLER: The Column M would have been
4 30,000 too low.

5 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. And then my next question
6 is: I think you testified that Column R represents
7 transfers and Column Z also represents transfers.

8 What I see is two different sets of numbers in
9 Column R and Column Z. So can you explain to me why they
10 are different?

11 WITNESS MILLER: One is a schedule and the
12 other one is actual.

13 MS. SPALETTA: So the totals at the end should
14 be pretty darn close.

15 WITNESS MILLER: Yes.

16 MS. SPALETTA: Got it.

17 And then Column AA, that's the pumping through
18 the Cross Valley Canal?

19 WITNESS MILLER: Yes.

20 MS. SPALETTA: And is that also a schedule?

21 WITNESS MILLER: I'm not sure.

22 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. I don't think I have any
23 more questions about how you put these together. That
24 was very helpful for me.

25 Thank you.

1 So let's turn to the next spreadsheet, which is
2 SJC-221.

3 (Document displayed on screen.)

4 MS. SPALETTA: And you previously testified
5 that this was the workbook or set of spreadsheets that
6 supports DWR-906.

7 And we've got one sheet in this spreadsheet
8 highlighted, which is entitled "Sum_4_Chart3."

9 And does this have substantively the same
10 information that actually appeared on Exhibit 906?

11 WITNESS MILLER: Yes.

12 MS. SPALETTA: And then which of the charts in
13 this Excel workbook is the same chart that appeared in
14 DWR Exhibit 10, Page 10, which is the one that Leahigh
15 used, the ultimate one he testified about, because
16 there's three or four different ones here.

17 WITNESS MILLER: Yes, there's a few iterations.

18 So "Chart_No_Store_JPOD" is the -- is where the
19 original chart was.

20 MS. SPALETTA: If we could go to that,
21 Mr. Hunt, please.

22 (Document displayed on screen.)

23 WITNESS MILLER: And so what happened, since it
24 doesn't look the same, is that when the table for DWR-906
25 was created, the -- some of the -- just the data that was

1 really relevant to Mr. Leahigh's testimony was shown.

2 So if we could go back to that --

3 (Document displayed on screen.)

4 WITNESS MILLER: -- and just unhide all
5 columns.

6 (Columns unhidden on screen.)

7 WITNESS MILLER: And then go back to that
8 chart.

9 (Document displayed on screen.)

10 WITNESS MILLER: Yes.

11 Some of the labels are still not consistent but
12 those got changed also with the tab Sum_4_Chart3.

13 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. So substantively the --
14 the numbers that go with the lines on the chart are the
15 same but the formatting and the appearance essentially is
16 different.

17 Is that what you're saying?

18 WITNESS MILLER: Yes.

19 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. That's what I surmised,
20 but thank you for explaining it.

21 Okay. Then there's another chart here that's
22 right next to the one you're talking about, and the only
23 difference is, it's got an f2 at the end of it.

24 Chart_No_Store_JPOD_f2.

25 What is this chart and how is it different than

1 the one we just looked at?

2 MR. MIZELL: I'm going to object as beyond what
3 was used for Mr. Leahigh's testimony.

4 Mr. Miller's just finished explaining that it
5 was the Chart_No_Store_JPOD tab that was used for
6 testimony. We're getting into other draft work products
7 that ultimately were abandoned and not used.

8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Spaletta.

9 MS. SPALETTA: I'm just curious if there's any
10 substantive difference in the way that the JPOD pumping
11 was treated.

12 And this goes to, you know, the whole reason
13 for requesting the charts is to make sure that you see
14 the data in context and that you understand what the
15 subjective decisions are that are made before data is
16 presented.

17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Just a little leeway
18 there, Miss Spaletta.

19 MS. SPALETTA: Thank you.

20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Overruled.

21 Please answer, Mr. Miller.

22 WITNESS MILLER: I think -- I don't remember
23 what "f2" stands for but I'm thinking it's "format 2."

24 So I think the unmet demand might be a little
25 lighter or darker in this one, and I think the title size

1 changed.

2 MS. SPALETTA: So it was just a formatting
3 change. There was no difference in the numbers as far as
4 how you were representing the pumping for the Joint Point
5 of Diversion.

6 WITNESS MILLER: That's correct. It should be
7 pointing to the same data.

8 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. All right. Now, let's go
9 back to the chart, which is the Sum_4_Chart3 -- I'm
10 sorry -- the table Sum_4_Chart3.

11 (Document displayed on screen.)

12 MS. SPALETTA: There we go.

13 Okay. And I had a couple questions about the
14 columns.

15 For Column L, that's simply the pumping at
16 Jones that you had hidden when we saw Exhibit 906?

17 WITNESS MILLER: Yes. It should just be the
18 pumping at Jones -- It should be total pumping at Jones.

19 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. And then the next,
20 Column M, what does that represent?

21 WITNESS MILLER: So that is the -- the pumping
22 of Joint Point of Diversion that was done at Banks.

23 MS. SPALETTA: So that's water pumped for the
24 State Water Contractors through Banks?

25 WITNESS MILLER: This would be CVP water pumped

1 at Banks --

2 MS. SPALETTA: Oh, I'm sorry.

3 WITNESS MILLER: -- through the Joint Point of
4 Diversion.

5 MS. SPALETTA: And then what's Column N?

6 WITNESS MILLER: That would be Cross Valley
7 Canal pumping done at Banks.

8 MS. SPALETTA: And Column O?

9 WITNESS MILLER: These are the transfers from
10 those -- those years.

11 MS. SPALETTA: And then Column -- Let's scroll
12 over to Column Y.

13 (Scrolling over on screen.)

14 MS. SPALETTA: And that is just the Total
15 Exports column. So if we could highlight the first
16 number in there, the 1912.

17 (Document highlighted on screen.)

18 MS. SPALETTA: So that is the sum of basically
19 Column K through L, and it does not include Columns M, N
20 and O; right?

21 WITNESS MILLER: That's right.

22 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. And so there was
23 basically an effort, then, to try to separate those out
24 in what was presented in Exhibit 906?

25 WITNESS MILLER: I don't know why . . .

1 You're talking about the columns, why they were
2 hidden?

3 MS. SPALETTA: So, then, this is my next
4 question:

5 There's this Total Annual Unmet Demand in
6 Column J.

7 So if you'd go there and highlight the 1103.

8 (Document displayed on screen.)

9 MS. SPALETTA: So if demand was met with a
10 transfer, was it still included in the Unmet Demand
11 column?

12 WITNESS MILLER: The transfers, even though
13 they're sitting here in this spreadsheet, were not part
14 of the analysis, so the total unmet demand looks at
15 allocation only.

16 MS. SPALETTA: So what someone has requested
17 under their allocation, and what you have actually
18 delivered under the contract, regardless of whether they
19 received a transfer.

20 WITNESS MILLER: That's right.

21 MS. SPALETTA: Okay. Have there been any
22 changes made to either the spreadsheet we're looking at
23 now, which we marked as San Joaquin County Exhibit 221,
24 or the spreadsheet that we earlier looked at and was
25 San Joaquin County Exhibit 240 since you originally

1 prepared them for the purposes of generating the charts
2 for Mr. Leahigh?

3 WITNESS MILLER: Are you talking about the
4 graphical charts over the -- the tables?

5 MS. SPALETTA: Either one.

6 WITNESS MILLER: Yeah. Datewise, no, but there
7 were some formatting changes when the tables were -- were
8 developed.

9 MS. SPALETTA: And when you say "formatting,"
10 are we just talking about colors and labels, or are we
11 also talking about the formulas in the cells?

12 WITNESS MILLER: It would just be colors and
13 labels and loss of labels.

14 MS. SPALETTA: I don't have any further
15 questions for you about the charts, and I truly
16 appreciate you putting them together and explaining them.

17 WITNESS MILLER: Thank you.

18 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you,
19 Miss Spaletta. I truly appreciate your questions. They
20 shed some light for me as well.

21 All right. Thank you. I think that completes
22 this portion.

23 Mr. Miller, thank you again for coming in and
24 thank you for your effort on the spreadsheet.

25 WITNESS MILLER: Thank you.

1 (Witness excused.)

2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Why don't we take a
3 break before we turn to EBMUD for their surrebuttal.

4 We will resume at 3:10.

5 (Recess taken at 2:54 p.m.)

6 (Proceedings resumed at 3:10 p.m.):

7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. It's
8 3:10. We are back. And before we get to EBMUD, I have
9 some housekeeping but I note Miss Spaletta is also up.

10 What's up?

11 MS. SPALETTA: I just want to make sure I
12 formally requested that the spreadsheets we marked be
13 moved into evidence. That's SJC-221 and SJC-21.

14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: That's right.
15 Because you're not presenting surrebuttal, or are you?

16 MS. SPALETTA: Well, there's a pending request
17 for a variety of exhibits we marked which are DWR and the
18 Bureau's Reports of Permittee for a certain time period.

19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Um-hmm.

20 MS. SPALETTA: We've marked them as exhibits.

21 And there was one exhibit which was the written
22 testimony of Russell Frink simply to authenticate those
23 reports were pulled off the State Board website.

24 I met and conferred with Petitioners and they
25 agree that those can be moved into evidence without the

1 need for Mr. Frink to actually appear in person, so we
2 wanted to save some time at the hearing.

3 They do have some objections to the relevance,
4 and so we submitted a letter earlier today proposing that
5 we simply move them into evidence through that letter
6 without the need for a live witness and that, if they
7 object to them, they can file an objection and we can
8 respond to it, and we'll go from there.

9 Other than that, I don't have any other
10 witnesses or exhibits for surrebuttal, but I do know that
11 Mr. Keeling has some coming up.

12 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Mr. Mizell.

13 MR. MIZELL: Thank you. Tripp Mizell, DWR.

14 Just a quick clarification: Our position isn't
15 that the exhibits Miss Spaletta's referring to should be
16 moved into evidence. We do object to them. It's, if
17 they're found to be relevant, that we do not believe
18 Mr. Frink needs to authenticate them, but we still have
19 an objection to the relevance of the documents.

20 And we would actually request that
21 Miss Spaletta provide a written offer of proof as to why
22 they're relevant to this hearing and that a point for us
23 to object be allowed, and we would put that objection in
24 writing as well.

25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I would prefer that

1 as well.

2 MS. SPALETTA: All right. Then I will take
3 that as direction.

4 So I've already moved in evidence as SJC-220
5 and 221, and for the remainder of the exhibits, I will
6 make a written offer of proof, petitioners can respond to
7 it, and then we'll await a ruling from the Hearing
8 Officers.

9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And you will make
10 that offer of proof by Monday noon?

11 MS. SPALETTA: I think I can do that. Thank
12 you.

13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And Mr. Mizell, you
14 will have till Tuesday to respond.

15 And are there any objections to taking into the
16 record 220 and 221?

17 Not hearing any, those are now in the record.

18 (County of San Joaquin, San Joaquin

19 County Flood Control and Water

20 Conservation District, and

21 Mokelumne River Water and Power

22 Authority's Exhibits 220 & 221

23 received into the record)

24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: We have -- I would
25 like to get through with EBMUD and Mr. Burke today.

1 What is the anticipated cross-examination for
2 Mr. Bray?

3 MR. MIZELL: Tripp Mizell, DWR.

4 We would anticipate 20 minutes, no more than 20
5 minutes, and we'll do our best to trim that down.

6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And for Mr. Burke?

7 MR. MIZELL: We're going to approximate 30
8 minutes at this time.

9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay. It looks like
10 we will -- Whoop. I see Miss Meserve coming up.

11 MS. MESERVE: I have a few questions for
12 Dr. Bray, and I may have a question or two for
13 Dr. Burke -- or Mr. Burke.

14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: We're talking five
15 to 10 minutes?

16 MS. MESERVE: Correct.

17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay. So, then,
18 tomorrow, then, we will begin with -- Oh, Miss Meserve,
19 please don't leave.

20 Now, you had requested that for your
21 out-of-town witnesses to come back in July. I remember
22 having that discussion with you.

23 MS. MESERVE: (Nodding head.)

24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And who would that
25 be?

1 MS. MESERVE: That's Dr. Michael Brett.

2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay.

3 MS. MESERVE: And he requested to go in Slot
4 24, so I believe that will probably work.

5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I think it will
6 work.

7 So let me confirm: I, then, am expecting
8 tomorrow in order Number 11, Group 19 and 21,
9 Dr. Leinfelder-Miles, and Prichard, Terry Prichard, to be
10 here and, then, if we get to him, Mr. Jeffrey Michael.

11 At this time, what is the estimated
12 cross-examination for Dr. Leinfelder-Miles and
13 Mr. Prichard?

14 MS. MCGINNIS: Robin McGinnis for California
15 Department of Water Resources.

16 For Dr. Leinfelder-Miles, I think about a half
17 an hour.

18 And for Mr. Prichard, I'm going to say 15
19 minutes --

20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay.

21 MS. MCGINNIS: -- maybe less.

22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: While you're up
23 there, how about for Mr. Jeffrey Michael?

24 MS. MCGINNIS: 15 minutes.

25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay. So we are

1 deferring Mr. Brent -- Brett -- I'm sorry -- until July.

2 So Mr. Frink?

3 MS. SPALETTA: So we won't need any time if we
4 resolve this issue.

5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: That's right.

6 So I'm moving to Miss Des Jardins, who's not
7 here.

8 Miss Des Jardins, please be advised that you
9 may be required to appear tomorrow. It looks like we're
10 moving very quickly.

11 Miss Suard -- What is the time estimate,
12 actually, I should say for cross-examination for
13 Miss Des Jardins?

14 MS. MCGINNIS: About 10 minutes.

15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And for Miss Suard?

16 MS. MCGINNIS: I don't think any, but I'll
17 reserve 10 minutes just in case, if I may.

18 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. You know
19 what? Let's do this.

20 Since I'm in a very generous mood and tomorrow
21 is going to be a shortened day, anyway, let's just focus
22 on getting Dr. Leinfelder-Miles, Mr. Prichard and
23 Mr. Michael completed tomorrow and then we will resume in
24 July with Mr. Brett and go on from there.

25 Any objections to that, knowing that my

1 Co-Hearing Officer has wholeheartedly agreed with that?

2 CO-HEARING OFFICER MARCUS: Yes.

3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. That's
4 the plan, then. Thank you all for your assistance with
5 that planning.

6 Now, with that, then, Mr. Salmon, EBMUD.

7 Do you have an opening statement?

8 MR. SALMON: No, we do not.

9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay. Please
10 proceed.

11 MR. SALMON: Good afternoon. My name is
12 Jonathan Salmon. I'm attorney for East Bay Municipal
13 Utility District.

14 Today, East Bay MUD is presenting the
15 surrebuttal testimony of Dr. Benjamin Bray, who will be
16 responding to rebuttal testimony provided by
17 Dr. Nader-Tehrani.

18 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY

19 MR. SALMON: Dr. Bray, please state your full
20 name for the record.

21 WITNESS BRAY: Benjamin S. Bray, B-R-A-Y.

22 MR. SALMON: Have you previously taken the oath
23 in this proceeding?

24 WITNESS BRAY: Yes, I have.

25 MR. SALMON: Did you previously submit a

1 Statement of Qualifications in this proceeding?

2 WITNESS BRAY: Yes. My Statement of
3 Qualifications was admitted into the record as
4 Exhibit 1 -- EBMUD-127.

5 MR. SALMON: And you previously submitted case
6 in chief testimony; correct?

7 WITNESS BRAY: Correct. My case in chief
8 testimony was admitted into the record as Exhibit
9 EBMUD-101 and Exhibit EBMUD-152.

10 MR. SALMON: Is Exhibit EBMUD-154 a correct
11 copy of the written surrebuttal testimony you prepared
12 for this hearing?

13 WITNESS BRAY: Yes.

14 MR. SALMON: Is Exhibit EBMUD-103 a true and
15 correct copy of the PowerPoint summary of your
16 surrebuttal testimony?

17 WITNESS BRAY: Yes.

18 MR. SALMON: Your surrebuttal testimony refers
19 to an October 2009 report prepared for the Department of
20 Water Resources entitled "DSM-2 Recalibration," which has
21 been admitted into the record in this proceeding as
22 Exhibit Brentwood-105.

23 As an expert in water resources modeling, is
24 Exhibit Brentwood-105 the kind of information you rely
25 upon to form professional opinions in your field of

1 expertise?

2 WITNESS BRAY: Yes, it absolutely is.

3 MR. SALMON: Okay. With that, if we could
4 please display on screen exhibit EBMUD-103 --

5 (Document displayed on screen.)

6 MR. SALMON: -- which is Dr. Bray's PowerPoint
7 summary of his testimony.

8 And, Dr. Bray, please proceed to summarize your
9 surrebuttal testimony.

10 WITNESS BRAY: Good afternoon, Hearing Officer
11 Doduc, Chair Marcus, Board Member D'Adamo, State Board
12 staff.

13 My name is Benjamin Bray and I'm here today to
14 respond to three main points that were made by
15 Dr. Nader-Tehrani in his rebuttal testimony.

16 May I please have the next slide.

17 (Document displayed on screen.)

18 WITNESS BRAY: Thank you.

19 The three main points in summary are: That he
20 is not aware of any systematic DSM-2 model bias at
21 Freeport;

22 Secondly, that he did not know the model
23 version and the time period that I used for my bias
24 correction of the DSM-2 model;

25 And, finally, that he believes my bias

1 correction methodology improperly introduced new
2 systematic under- and overprediction.

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5 WITNESS BRAY: I'll summarize my surrebuttal
6 testimony first and then I will expand upon these points.

7 First, the DSM-2 model Version used by
8 Petitioners for this hearing -- and this is
9 Version 8.0.6 -- didn't accurately predict minimum
10 velocities at Freeport.

11 Because of this, Petitioners' modeling --
12 Petitioners' modeling significantly underestimated
13 significant reverse flow events at Freeport. And
14 significant reverse flow events, as I described in my
15 case in chief testimony, are pertinent to the operation
16 of the Freeport Regional Water Project intake.

17 Therefore, it was necessary and appropriate to
18 develop a bias correction of the Petitioner modeling to
19 remove the underestimation of SRFEs and, importantly,
20 improve the comparative analysis of Project defects.

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23 WITNESS BRAY: The DSM-2 version that I used to
24 develop my bias correction offset was Version 8.1.2 and
25 it was the best-available choice for reasons I will

1 describe shortly.

2 It included a benefit of a longer historical
3 simulation with that model that allowed me to use some
4 more recent low-flow periods.

5 My use of Version 8.1.2 to develop the offset
6 did not introduce any additional new bias; to the
7 contrary, it removed bias.

8 Also, Dr. Nader-Tehrani raised the issue of
9 Liberty Island as a consideration with respect to my bias
10 correction procedure.

11 I looked into this issue and I found Liberty
12 Island flooding appears to have no significant effect on
13 the tidal hydrodynamics at Freeport during the low-flow
14 periods when reverse flows and significant reverse flows
15 are expected to occur, or do occur.

16 So now I'm going to delve into the details.

17 May I have the next slide, please.

18 (Document displayed on screen.)

19 WITNESS BRAY: So I'll begin with the first
20 issue which is systematic model bias at Freeport.

21 DSM-2's upstream boundary condition, which is
22 coincident with the City of Sacramento, is in close
23 proximity to the Freeport Regional Water Project and to
24 the City of Freeport where the Freeport intake is
25 located.

1 At this boundary condition, the model assumes
2 positive downstream flow at all times. This constant
3 flow boundary caused DSM-2 to systematically underpredict
4 reverse flows during low flows when tidal influence
5 extends upstream Freeport.

6 Next slide, please.

7 (Document displayed on screen.)

8 WITNESS BRAY: And I want to take a moment --
9 This is an important slide. I want to take a moment to
10 describe this chart.

11 MR. SALMON: Can you clarify which slide we're
12 looking at here?

13 WITNESS BRAY: Sure. This is Slide Number 6 in
14 EBMUD-103.

15 So what's depicted on this slide is model
16 error. And my convention for defining model error is to
17 take the gage measurement and subtract the DSM-2 model.

18 And in this case, the red line is depicting a
19 systematic bias in the minimum velocity where it is
20 consistently overpredicted. And by that, I mean the
21 DSM-2 model is relatively more positive than gage data.

22 And the red line in this chart is depicting the
23 error for Version 8.0.6, which is the version that
24 Petitioners are using for this hearing. The reason why
25 it's negative is because of my convention to use the gage

1 and subtract the model.

2 Now, by applying my offset correction, I would
3 obtain a curve like the blue curve. I would actually
4 obtain the blue curve shown on this chart.

5 Where the blue curve, the sum of error, is
6 roughly minimized. It's close to zero. And there is a
7 balance between an over- and underprediction. There is
8 no bias or no systematic prediction one way or another
9 after the bias correction.

10 Moving on to the next slide.

11 (Document displayed on screen.)

12 WITNESS BRAY: We can also depict this bias by
13 looking at a time series. And this should look familiar.
14 This is a familiar eight-day period of February of '91.

15 And what I'm showing here, again, in the red
16 lines is DSM-2 model Version 8.0.6. And what you should
17 notice is that dashed red line. What you should notice
18 is a consistent and systematic overestimation of the
19 minimum daily velocity at Freeport as compared to the
20 historical gage, which is shown in blue.

21 Also important to notice is the tidal amplitude
22 is dampened in the model; that is, the maximum-to-minimum
23 velocity as represented by the gage is larger than as
24 represented by the model.

25 Note the model's failure to indicate any

1 reverse flows in this eight-day period, whereas the gage
2 shows four events that cross the axis of -- the zero axis
3 and indicate a negative or reverse flow event occurring
4 at the gage.

5 This is illustrative of what I found in my set
6 of low-flow months that I used for my bias correction.

7 Next slide, please.

8 (Document displayed on screen.)

9 WITNESS BRAY: So why does this happen?

10 As I alluded to earlier, this is because of a
11 model deficiency, and this model deficiency, the
12 Petitioners are aware of. It was documented in their
13 DSM-2 Recalibration Report. Again, this has been entered
14 into evidence as Exhibit Brentwood-105. For the record,
15 I also believe it's an appendix to the EIR/EIS.

16 DWR's 2009 DSM-2 recalibration attempted to
17 address this issue but with limited success, as they
18 acknowledge in the report.

19 Next slide, please.

20 (Document displayed on screen.)

21 WITNESS BRAY: So in Section 2.2.2 of the
22 Recalibration Report is where this deficiency is
23 described.

24 Essentially, we can see that the tidal
25 amplitude is dampened and it's due to the close proximity

1 to the upstream boundary on the Sacramento River which is
2 located at the City of Sacramento in the DSM-2 model.

3 And there was also an issue here noted on the
4 bottom that deals with reflection of tidal effects. And,
5 again, this is a model artifact where, in the real world,
6 in low flows, the tide can extend upstream. There is no
7 artificial boundary condition.

8 I would like to demonstrate this briefly, and I
9 apologize for those reading the transcript. But I have
10 a -- Oh. Lost my mic here.

11 I have a broken rubber band. And this is
12 representing a one-dimensional channel. And this is an
13 imperfect analogy, but I think it helps to understand
14 what this issue is for the non-Modelers.

15 My right hand I'm going to represent to you is
16 my seawater boundary and it's going to move up and down
17 (indicating) as the seawater stage moves up and down and,
18 of course, we know we have two tidal sides a day.

19 My left hand represents a specified downstream
20 flow (indicating). That flow is fixed, constant in a
21 downstream direction.

22 So as I move my right hand up and down
23 (indicating), you'll notice that, as you move from my
24 right to my left (indicating), the amplitude of that
25 signal is dampened. It is less. And as I approach the

1 boundary (indicating), of course, it's zero. It's held
2 constant in tension.

3 That's -- That's the modeling artifact we're
4 speaking about here.

5 And the issue here is that the Freeport
6 location is in close proximity to this boundary
7 condition.

8 May I please have the next slide.

9 (Document displayed on screen.)

10 WITNESS BRAY: So, in the Recalibration Report,
11 one of the ways they attempted to address this issue was
12 to extend DSM-2's boundary northward. However, the
13 recalibration only slightly improved the model's tidal
14 representation at Freeport despite significant
15 improvements in tidal representation downstream such as
16 at Rio Vista.

17 And I want to acknowledge that's most likely
18 due to other changes, such as the inclusion of Liberty
19 Island representation in the DSM-2 model.

20 Next slide, please.

21 (Document displayed on screen.)

22 WITNESS BRAY: The third point is that the
23 recalibrated model actually did a slightly worse job if
24 you look at the model performance in the calibration
25 year, Water Year 2002 for Freeport.

1 So, in particular, if you look at the low-flow
2 month, October of 2001, which was the first month of the
3 Water Year used in the recalibration, we see a slight
4 degradation in model performance, and, in fact, we see a
5 slight increase in RMSE, root mean square error, and I
6 provide the reference there.

7 The fourth point that I'd like to make is that
8 the underprediction problem, this dampening of tidal
9 effects, is most severe during low flows when tidal
10 influence is at its maximum at Freeport. Yet, the
11 recalibration did not consider extreme low-flow periods
12 and, therefore, evaluate the performance and fully
13 correct this error.

14 And so the bottom line is, this error persists.
15 This error was only partially addressed, and it continues
16 to be a problem in Version 8.0.4, 8.0.6 and 8.0.2.

17 May I have the next slide, please.

18 (Document displayed on screen.)

19 WITNESS BRAY: Next is model versions.

20 Dr. Nader-Tehrani testified on rebuttal that he
21 did not know the model version I used to develop by bias
22 correction offset. I used Version 8.1.2, which was most
23 appropriate, as I'll describe here shortly.

24 First, it was the most up-to-date version.
25 And, in fact, as I mentioned earlier, it included a

1 longer historical simulation where I could use more
2 recent low-flow periods to develop the offset, the bias
3 correction offset to be clear. It's also more
4 conservative.

5 8.1.2 is relatively less biased than
6 Version 8.0.6 and, therefore, it yielded a more
7 conservative or less aggressive offset than Version 8.0.6
8 would have.

9 May I have the next slide, please.

10 (Timer rings.)

11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Let's give Dr. Bray
12 five more minutes to wrap up.

13 (Document displayed on screen.)

14 WITNESS BRAY: So Petitioners use Version 8.0.4
15 for all their BDCP modeling, and as the Project evolved
16 into the WaterFix, Version 8.0.6 was used. It was used
17 for the Final EIR/EIS; it was used for this hearing.

18 In the case of the Biological Assessment, both
19 versions 8.0.6 and 8.0.2 were used.

20 And the versions are available on DWR's
21 website. I provide the URL here.

22 Version 8.0.6 was released in November of 2010
23 and that model comes with a historical simulation from
24 1990 to 2006. There -- In that case, I would have been
25 limited to low-flow periods in the period from 1990

1 through 1994.

2 In the case of Version 8, Opinion 1.2, which
3 was released in 2013, several years ago, this model comes
4 with the historical simulation of 1990 through 2012. So
5 this afforded me a longer historical simulation and a
6 greater dataset.

7 So be -- The next thing I wanted to do was
8 compare how these two versions performed.

9 May I have the next slide.

10 (Document displayed on screen.)

11 WITNESS BRAY: So the degree of bias is plotted
12 here.

13 So, again, this is error, once again, gage
14 minus the model. Version 8.0.6 is the red curve shown,
15 and the green dashed line is Version 8.1.2.

16 So what I found was, 8.1.2 did a better job
17 representing tidal amplitude; however, it still exhibited
18 a bias. So, therefore, by developing my bias correction
19 using 8.1.2, I knew that it would remove some but not all
20 of the bias inherent in Version 8.0.6.

21 Next slide, please.

22 (Document displayed on screen.)

23 WITNESS BRAY: With respect to the months that
24 I used, I just wanted to point out that I did document in
25 my case in chief testimony the period I used for my bias

1 correction, and here you can see the excerpt from Page 9
2 through Page 10, Footnote 7 actually lists the months I
3 used for the bias correction.

4 And I want to be clear, these are low-flow
5 months. They were intentionally selected from the full
6 set of available monthly average flow at Freeport. And
7 reverse flows occur in each of these months.

8 Next slide, please.

9 (Document displayed on screen.)

10 WITNESS BRAY: The last issue I'll touch on --
11 Actually, I have two. I'll be brief. First is the
12 Liberty Island.

13 Dr. Nader-Tehrani speculated that Liberty
14 Island flooding could have affected Delta hydrodynamics
15 and was an important consideration for my bias correction
16 in terms of the period I used.

17 He did not present any evidence for this, and I
18 actually looked into this effect using my dataset of
19 low-flow months.

20 May I have the next slide.

21 (Document displayed on screen.)

22 WITNESS BRAY: So I looked at two months with
23 similar low monthly average flows, one before the Liberty
24 Island failure and one after.

25 So the top panel is August of 1992, and the

1 bottom panel is December of 2008.

2 And what I found was, the tidal range was
3 consistent and, importantly, during the spring tides
4 where the tidal amplitude is maximum, we see the daily
5 minimum flows are consistent, ranging between a negative
6 2000 to a negative 4,000 cfs.

7 Next slide, please.

8 (Document displayed on screen.)

9 WITNESS BRAY: Finally, Dr. Nader-Tehrani
10 expressed concern that my methodology was, quote, "not
11 the appropriate way," end quote.

12 The -- Again, the methodology I used to develop
13 the bias correction offset was a minimization of the sum
14 of square error. This is also known as the least square
15 minimization. It's a commonly-used approach for
16 parameter identification, and the intent, as I display
17 here, is to remove the bias.

18 And, again, what that -- The result of that is
19 that the error has a near zero mean. It's minimized.

20 I also looked at other possible objective
21 functions, such as minimizing absolute error, and I would
22 have achieved the same bias correction offset.

23 Last slide, please.

24 (Document displayed on screen.)

25 WITNESS BRAY: And, in conclusion, Petitioners'

1 modeling included a significant systematic bias: DSM-2
2 consistently overpredicted minimum velocities at Freeport
3 and, therefore, underpredicted SRFES due to a boundary
4 condition deficiency known and documented in the
5 Recalibration Report circa 2009.

6 Using DSM-2 Version 8.1.2 to calculate a
7 conservative bias correction offset using the least
8 squares minimization method is appropriate. And this
9 offset improved without entirely eliminating the bias
10 inherent in Petitioners' modeling using Version 8.0.6
11 and, importantly, improved the comparative analysis of
12 the Project effect.

13 Thank you. That concludes my summary of my
14 written testimony.

15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.

16 DWR, and then Miss Meserve.

17 MS. MCGINNIS: Robin McGinnis for California
18 Department of Water Resources.

19 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY

20 MS. MCGINNIS: Hello, Dr. Bray.

21 WITNESS BRAY: Good afternoon, Miss McGinnis.

22 MS. MCGINNIS: Thank you for being here.

23 WITNESS BRAY: Sure.

24 MS. MCGINNIS: So jumping right in:

25 Do you agree what is important is whether the

1 proposed operation of the North Delta Diversions for the
2 various WaterFix scenarios increases the frequency of
3 SRFES relative to the No-Action Alternative?

4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss McGinnis, for
5 my sake, could you repeat the question?

6 WITNESS BRAY: Yeah.

7 MS. MCGINNIS: Sure.

8 The question is: Do you agree that what is
9 important to East Bay MUD is whether the proposed
10 operation of the North Delta Diversions for the various
11 WaterFix scenarios increased the frequency of SRFES
12 relative to the No-Action Alternative?

13 WITNESS BRAY: Well, what's important is how
14 the Proposed Project will impact the frequency of SRFES
15 but also at what times those -- the changes in SRFES due
16 to the Project.

17 So, correct. But I do want to make it clear,
18 and I did this in my case in chief, that timing is also
19 very important, so . . .

20 MS. MCGINNIS: Understood.

21 So, in your testimony, you reference the 2009
22 Recalibration Report; correct?

23 WITNESS BRAY: Correct.

24 MS. MCGINNIS: And did this report document
25 deficiencies in the then-current version of DSM-2?

1 WITNESS BRAY: Correct. It documented
2 deficiencies in the then-current DSM-2, but it also
3 evaluated the performance of the recalibration effort.
4 So it was -- it was more than just documenting the prior
5 version, which I believe was Version 6; it also evaluated
6 the performance under the recalibration.

7 MS. MCGINNIS: You also stated that the
8 deficiencies had implications for the accuracy of DSM-2's
9 simulation of tidally-influenced low-flow conditions at
10 Freeport; right?

11 WITNESS BRAY: Correct.

12 MS. MCGINNIS: So, would your concern about the
13 increase in frequency of SRFEs be alleviated if the North
14 Delta Diversions were operated to avoid increasing the
15 magnitude, frequency and duration of flow reversals in
16 the Sacramento River at the Georgiana Slough junction
17 compared with the No-Action Alternative?

18 WITNESS BRAY: I believe that was the intention
19 of the bypass flow criteria; however, that does not apply
20 year-round.

21 So the bypass flow criteria clearly is not
22 enough to prevent increases in reverse flows at certain
23 times of the year, and that's what I found in my case in
24 chief testimony.

25 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. So, going to your

1 PowerPoint, which is East Bay MUD-103, Slide 15, which we
2 looked at just a minute ago.

3 MR. OCHENDUSKO: Slide 15?

4 MS. MCGINNIS: 15.

5 (Document displayed on screen.)

6 MS. MCGINNIS: This is the slide where you
7 explain that you chose data for 15 months: 13 months
8 were in the 1990s, and two months were post-2000;
9 correct?

10 WITNESS BRAY: Correct.

11 MS. MCGINNIS: And you discussed whether
12 flooding of Liberty Island affected reverse flows at
13 Freeport; correct?

14 WITNESS BRAY: In my surrebuttal testimony and
15 in my summary, I do, yes.

16 MS. MCGINNIS: So if we could have Slide 17.

17 (Document displayed on screen.)

18 MS. MCGINNIS: And stretch it out so that
19 there's no gray space on the sides.

20 (Document modified on screen.)

21 MS. MCGINNIS: Yeah. Okay. Great.

22 So please humor me.

23 On this slide, is it correct that you were
24 trying to show whether the Liberty Island flooding
25 affected reverse flows at Freeport?

1 WITNESS BRAY: No. The intent of this slide
2 was to examine before and after Liberty Island flooding
3 whether there was an effect on the tidal range.

4 So the peak flows where we see in the spring
5 tides, where the tidal amplitude is maximum, peak flows
6 are right at about 14,000 cfs in both charts. But more
7 importantly, to reverse flows is the minimum -- the daily
8 minimums of those spring tides which are in between
9 negative 2,000 and negative 4,000 cfs in both cases.

10 And we can see the spring tide cycle on or
11 around August 6th in the top panel and on or around
12 December 13th of the bottom panel.

13 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. So you chose two months
14 with similar flows. The top figure shows the month of
15 August 1992 representing the period before Liberty Island
16 flooding, and the bottom figure is for December 2008,
17 which was after Liberty Island flooding; right?

18 WITNESS BRAY: Correct.

19 And let's be clear: Liberty Island flooded
20 multiple times. Liberty Island first flooded in 1995 and
21 flooded again later in '97, '98 permanently. So,
22 correct, 1992 is prior to those events; 2008 is post-
23 those events.

24 MS. MCGINNIS: Thank you.

25 And all the data you're showing in this slide

1 is based on observed data from CDEC; is that right?

2 WITNESS BRAY: Correct. This is Freeport Gage
3 Hourly Discharge CDEC Station IVFPT.

4 MS. MCGINNIS: Thank you.

5 WITNESS BRAY: You're welcome.

6 MS. MCGINNIS: So, in your testimony, you found
7 no effect on reverse flows related to Liberty Island; is
8 that correct?

9 (Pause in proceedings.)

10 MS. MCGINNIS: Well --

11 WITNESS BRAY: Could you restate the question?
12 I'm not sure I --

13 MS. MCGINNIS: Sure. I could just ask you
14 instead about your statement on the bottom of Slide 16.

15 (Document displayed on screen.)

16 MS. MCGINNIS: So maybe it's a little more
17 complicated than what I stated.

18 Your third bullet there says (reading):

19 "I found no effect during low-flow months."

20 Right?

21 WITNESS BRAY: During low-flow months comparing
22 pre- and post- with similar monthly average flows.

23 And, again, you know, you can -- I put the
24 monthly average flow on there. They're not exactly
25 equivalent but those are the two closest months I could

1 find before and after.

2 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. So back to 17. Sorry.

3 The reverse flows on these two plots are
4 represented by negative values of flow below zero; right?

5 WITNESS BRAY: Reverse flows by definition are
6 flows from Freeport toward Sacramento. Those are with a
7 convention of a negative sign, correct.

8 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. So can you please count
9 the number of reverse flow events in the top plot. And
10 you don't need to count the times when the flow barely
11 touches the zero line.

12 WITNESS BRAY: It's hard for me to tell at this
13 scale what is a zero versus what is a very small negative
14 number. So it would be difficult without actually
15 looking at the data.

16 I could -- I could . . .

17 MS. MCGINNIS: So even if we blew this up,
18 would you not be able to count the number of times the
19 plot goes below zero?

20 WITNESS BRAY: Well, the -- As you can see, in
21 the latter half of August, there are several flows that
22 look like they are close to reversing or not. It's very
23 difficult to tell based on the scale.

24 MS. MCGINNIS: Well, I don't want you to count
25 the ones where they're close to reversing, only the ones

1 that are clearly reversing.

2 WITNESS BRAY: I also could point out --

3 MS. MCGINNIS: Or you could count them -- You
4 could count them both ways. That would be fine.

5 WITNESS BRAY: Well, I'm not sure that this
6 would be valid, because if you look at the
7 end-of-December 2008, obviously the flow is picking up.

8 So if -- if we looked at a daily average
9 flow -- right? If we averaged out the tide, we would see
10 an uptick toward the end of December.

11 And so I'm very just -- I'm only just focusing
12 on the spring tide cycle earlier in the month. And,
13 again, that's where I'm seeing basically a consistency in
14 the tidal range.

15 Now, these are very different months of the
16 year, December and August. The tidal cycle obviously is
17 affected by the solar and the lunar cycle, but these were
18 the only two months I could get similar monthly average
19 flows for and, therefore, that's why I used this
20 comparison.

21 MS. MCGINNIS: Thank you for that explanation.

22 So what I'm trying to understand is the
23 statement on Slide 16 where you said you found no . . .
24 effects on reverse flows related to liberty.

25 (Reading):

1 "I found no effect during low-flow months."

2 And the comparison of those two months is meant
3 to illustrate that.

4 WITNESS BRAY: Correct.

5 MS. MCGINNIS: So it would be helpful for me to
6 understand your statement and your slide with the two
7 plots if you would count the number of reverse flows.

8 MR. SALMON: I'm going to object to this
9 request for counting on grounds of relevance and that
10 it's outside the scope of the testimony.

11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I can --

12 MR. SALMON: Dr. Bray --

13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I can count as well
14 as anyone. And it's pretty obvious, if you looked at --
15 I think the point Miss McGinnis is trying to get at, is,
16 there are fewer points below the zero line in the second
17 lower chart.

18 MS. MCGINNIS: Correct.

19 And if we went through the exercise of
20 counting, it would show that there are about 60 percent
21 fewer.

22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And it is his chart
23 and it's data, so the objection is overruled.

24 Let's just get through this, people.

25 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. So maybe Mr. Baker could

1 increase -- zoom in on the top plot.

2 (Document enlarged on screen.)

3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I got 21 on the top
4 chart, just so you know.

5 WITNESS BRAY: One, two, three, four, five,
6 six, seven -- Again, I don't -- I think the latter half
7 of October is -- there's a change in flow that occurs,
8 so . . . I'm not -- I don't know if including the whole
9 month would be valid, but . . . I'll -- I'll go through
10 your exercise.

11 One, two, three, four, five, six, seven . . . I
12 get 21.

13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Good answer,
14 Dr. Bray.

15 MS. MCGINNIS: I'm sorry. For the second one?

16 WITNESS BRAY: I count 11.

17 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. So 21 compared to 11. Is
18 that roughly half?

19 WITNESS BRAY: Correct.

20 MS. MCGINNIS: That's -- That's enough.

21 WITNESS BRAY: One --

22 MS. MCGINNIS: Thank you.

23 So going back to SRFES for a moment.

24 Are you aware that there's a year-round
25 Georgiana reverse -- Georgiana Slough reverse flow

1 operational criteria?

2 WITNESS BRAY: I have reviewed the bypass flow
3 criteria which I believe has the Georgiana Slough
4 component. However, it's been some time since I reviewed
5 that, so . . . I am familiar but --

6 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. So maybe we could pull up
7 SWRCB-104 and go to .pdf Page 100.

8 MR. BAKER: What chapter?

9 MS. MCGINNIS: Oh, I'm sorry. It's Page 3-98,
10 so Chapter 3.

11 (Document displayed on screen.)

12 MS. MCGINNIS: And .pdf Page 100.

13 (Document displayed on screen.)

14 MS. MCGINNIS: I'll -- So I'll find it myself
15 on the page.

16 Yes. Second bullet from the bottom, it says
17 (reading):

18 "Operations will be managed at all times to
19 avoid increasing the magnitude, frequency, or
20 duration of flow reversals . . ."

21 WITNESS BRAY: Yes, I see that.

22 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. So, if the North Delta
23 Intakes do not increase Georgiana reverse flows, it will
24 not increase SRFEs; is that correct?

25 WITNESS BRAY: I don't have enough information

1 to make that statement, no.

2 MS. MCGINNIS: Okay. That's all. Thank you.

3 WITNESS BRAY: Okay.

4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Meserve.

5 MS. MESERVE: Good afternoon. Osha Meserve for
6 LAND, et al.

7 I just have a few questions regarding the DSM-2
8 velocity issue and the --

9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I'm sorry,
10 Miss Meserve. The what issue?

11 MS. MESERVE: DSM-2 velocity.

12 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Velocity.

13 MS. MESERVE: Which I think is most of what we
14 were discussing.

15 And then the flooding at liberty.

16 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY.

17 MS. MESERVE: Good afternoon, Dr. Bray.

18 WITNESS BRAY: Good afternoon.

19 MS. MESERVE: Just to clarify: On Page 2 of
20 your testimony, you're talking about comparing scenarios
21 and the -- in your estimation, the underpredicting of the
22 significant reverse flow events.

23 Which all scenarios were you looking at?

24 WITNESS BRAY: I'm sorry. Can you give me the
25 reference again?

1 MS. MESERVE: Certainly.

2 WITNESS BRAY: Page 2 . . .

3 MS. MESERVE: Page 2 of East Bay MUD-154.

4 WITNESS BRAY: Line number, please?

5 MS. MESERVE: I believe it's the lower half of
6 the page.

7 What I was just trying to clarify is what
8 scenarios you were looking at -- for instance, 4A, B1,
9 B2 -- and maybe this is back in your original rebuttal
10 testimony.

11 WITNESS BRAY: Well, I -- I think the point is,
12 it's specific to the version. So Version 8.0.6 still has
13 this systematic bias and 8.0.6 is the version that's used
14 for this hearing. It was a version used for the Final
15 EIR/EIS. And both Version 8.0.6 and 8.1.2 are used in
16 the Biological Assessment modeling.

17 I have reviewed all of that. However, my case
18 in chief is based on the modeling that was done for this
19 hearing.

20 MS. MESERVE: And so your testimony, does it
21 speak to the underprediction, in your estimation, of the
22 significant reverse flow events for Alternative 4A and
23 for Boundary 1 scenario, or is it only focused on one of
24 the scenarios, the operational scenarios?

25 WITNESS BRAY: So, Alternative 4A is the --

1 Let's just be clear that -- Because there's an
2 Alternative 4A for the Final EIR/EIS. That's based on a
3 different version of CalSim.

4 That version of CalSim then drives
5 Version 8.0.6, so there's that Alternative 4A.

6 There's an Alternative 4A for the Project
7 action for the Biological Assessment, and that's a
8 different version of CalSim.

9 It's -- In that case, they're using 8.0. --
10 8.0.6 as well as Version 8.1.2 in some cases; for
11 example, for the temperature modeling.

12 MS. MESERVE: Focusing on the operational
13 scenario, however, that -- because there's a range of
14 operational scenarios being proposed for approval by this
15 Petition.

16 WITNESS BRAY: Correct.

17 MS. MESERVE: Did you -- And I understand what
18 you're saying about there's different models applied to
19 different scenarios.

20 WITNESS BRAY: Yes.

21 MS. MESERVE: And that may be another level of
22 detail beyond where I'm actually asking.

23 Did you -- When you were looking at the issue
24 of significant reverse flow events, did you examine the
25 full range of operational scenarios?

1 WITNESS BRAY: Yes, ma'am.

2 MS. MESERVE: So, did you find, for instance,
3 that there would be additional significant reverse flow
4 events for both 4A and for Boundary 1?

5 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I'm going to insert
6 myself here and ask Miss Meserve:

7 I don't recall in Dr. Bray's testimony that he
8 distinguishes between the various scenarios and
9 alternatives.

10 MS. MESERVE: And that's the reason for my
11 question, is, I'm trying to understand how to place --
12 And I believe it may be within here or maybe within one
13 of the graphs, but I'm trying to understand which
14 scenario -- to which scenario his opinion applies.

15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: So, Dr. Bray, how do
16 you answer that without going beyond the scope of your
17 surrebuttal testimony, which did not distinguish between
18 the various scenarios?

19 WITNESS BRAY: Again, I tried to answer that by
20 explaining it's specific to the version and that those
21 versions -- that version is used for all of the scenarios
22 for this hearing, including the No-Action. So it's the
23 full range for this hearing.

24 MS. MESERVE: And to clarify: You believe that
25 DWR underpredicted significant reverse flow events across

1 the board because of the issues you found with DSM-2, not
2 just for one operational scenario.

3 WITNESS BRAY: I would . . . I would say the
4 DSM-2 model is underrepresenting significant reverse flow
5 events. The Petitioners are using that model, so, yes.

6 MS. MESERVE: Are you aware, Dr. Bray, that
7 velocity, or flow, is one of the factors that can lead to
8 harmful algal blooms?

9 WITNESS BRAY: I do not have expertise in
10 harmful algal blooms.

11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And I would caution
12 you to not go beyond that. It is outside the scope of
13 his rebuttal testimony.

14 MS. MESERVE: You discuss in your testimony
15 the -- on Page 6, the different versions of the models
16 used by Petitioners. If you -- You appear to be critical
17 perhaps of the selection.

18 If you were going to select the -- what you
19 would think the appropriate version of DSM-2 -- to use
20 for determining velocity at Freeport, what version do you
21 think would be appropriate?

22 MS. MCGINNIS: (Grazing microphone.)

23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Is that an
24 objection?

25 (Laughter.)

1 MS. MORRIS: Outside the scope.

2 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: It is, but I'm
3 curious.

4 WITNESS BRAY: My answer is, this is not my
5 Project. I mean --

6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay.

7 WITNESS BRAY: -- this isn't my decision. I'm
8 left with working with the Petitioners' modeling.

9 In my opinion -- Well --

10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: No. Let's stop
11 there.

12 WITNESS BRAY: Thank you.

13 I would like to say, however, I did address
14 this in my case in chief testimony.

15 MS. MESERVE: On Page 9 of your testimony,
16 Lines 11 and 12, you discuss the Liberty Island issue
17 that was raised in Dr. Nader-Tehrani's testimony.

18 Can you just explain in simple terms why the
19 flooding of Liberty Island would affect the tidal
20 dynamics up at Freeport.

21 MR. SALMON: Objection: I believe the witness
22 testified that they do not, or that he did not find
23 evidence that it did affect tidal dynamics at Freeport.

24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Objection sustained.

25 That's my understanding, Miss Meserve.

1 MS. MESERVE: If you were looking at . . .

2 Would you think that -- If you were trying to
3 understand -- trying to test veracity of a comparative
4 model, would you want to know what kind of open water
5 habitat would be created elsewhere in the vicinity of the
6 Project?

7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I hear an objection
8 coming.

9 MR. SALMON: Objection: Outside the scope.

10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Sustained.

11 MS. MESERVE: Thank you.

12 No further questions.

13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you,
14 Miss Meserve.

15 Any redirect, Mr. Salmon?

16 MR. SALMON: Just a little bit, yes.

17 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: On what particular
18 area?

19 MR. SALMON: Going back to Slide 17, was it,
20 that --

21 (Document displayed on screen.)

22 MR. SALMON: Yes, that one.

23 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Ah, yes. Let's do
24 that.

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1 REDIRECT EXAMINATION BY

2 MR. SALMON: Dr. Bray, you were asked on
3 cross-examination to count the number of peaks below the
4 zero mark on the left-hand axis; is that correct?

5 WITNESS BRAY: Yes, sir.

6 MR. SALMON: In your opinion, is it adequate --
7 is such a count an adequate means of identifying
8 significant reverse flow events?

9 WITNESS BRAY: It is the magnitude that is
10 important. Again, recall that there is a threshold. So
11 it's the strength of the reverse flow that's important
12 here in terms of the criteria governing a shutdown.
13 Small or lesser minor reverse flows are not crossing that
14 threshold. They're not of interest.

15 So it is really these low, low minimum
16 velocities occurring when the spring tides occur and the
17 tidal amplitude is maximum that is the key of -- or --
18 excuse me -- that's of import to significant reverse flow
19 events.

20 MR. SALMON: And the minimum magnitudes
21 represented on each graph are fairly similar.

22 Would you agree with that?

23 WITNESS BRAY: Yes. And, again, I would focus
24 on the first half of December, because, again, as I see
25 it, the flow picks up a little bit late in the month

1 and -- and, therefore, the tidal cycle, you know, gets
2 dampened.

3 So it's really that spring tide, as I mentioned
4 before, on or around December 13th on the bottom and on
5 or around April 6th on the top.

6 MR. SALMON: And is it fair to say that those
7 minimum velocities during those spring tides was an
8 important factor in you forming your opinion that the
9 Liberty Island flooding did not have a significant effect
10 on minimum tides at Freeport and with flows?

11 WITNESS BRAY: Absolutely, yes.

12 MR. SALMON: No further questions.

13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you.

14 Recross?

15 MS. MCGINNIS: No.

16 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Thank
17 you, Dr. Bray.

18 (Witness excused.)

19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: At this time,
20 Mr. Salmon, do you wish to move your exhibits into
21 evidence?

22 MR. SALMON: Yes, please.

23 East Bay MUD moves to admit Exhibit EBMUD-103
24 and Exhibit EBMUD-154 into evidence in this proceeding.

25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And without any

1 objections outstanding, we hereby accept them into the
2 record.

3 (East Bay Municipal Utility
4 District's Exhibits 103 & 154
5 received into the record)

6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you,
7 Mr. Salmon --

8 MR. SALMON: Thank you.

9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: -- Mr. Bray.

10 Mr. Mizell, I forgot to ask -- well, actually,
11 Miss Aufdemberge is not here but I assume you may do so
12 her behalf -- for Petitioners to move their exhibits into
13 evidence, recognizing there are still some outstanding
14 objections that we need to rule on. But I would like you
15 to at least go through that motion so I can close the
16 door on objections.

17 MR. MIZELL: Certainly. If you'll give me five
18 minutes, I'll compile the listing.

19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Let's
20 do -- Let's take a short five-minute break before we get
21 to Mr. Burke. Everyone can stretch.

22 And we will return at -- we'll make it 4:15.

23 (Recess taken at 4:08 p.m.)

24 (Proceedings resumed at 4:15 p.m.:)

25 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. It is

1 4:15. We're back in session.

2 Mr. Mizell, do you have the list of
3 exhibits?

4 MR. MIZELL: I do have the Department's ready.
5 I'm still trying to determine what the Department of the
6 Interior would want, so . . .

7 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: In that case,
8 Mr. Mizell --

9 MR. MIZELL: I think I can --

10 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: -- might it be
11 better for you guys to coordinate and submit something in
12 writing by Monday at noon?

13 MR. MIZELL: I can certainly do that if you
14 prefer.

15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Let's do that rather
16 than try to do it on the fly.

17 And with the same, I guess, caveat that we can
18 for -- was it the American River Group?

19 I'll close the door to additional objections on
20 admissibility. If there are any obvious errors in what
21 you submit on Monday, obviously, we will want to be
22 notified of that by the other parties.

23 There are outstanding objections from American
24 River Water -- well, ARWA and from Miss Des Jardins, I
25 believe.

1 Any others? I think it's just those two;
2 right?

3 MS. HEINRICH: I think.

4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay. Mr. Mizell.

5 MR. MIZELL: Just so I don't confuse things,
6 when I submit the list of exhibits for admission into
7 evidence, would you prefer that I include those that I've
8 requested official notice of or exclude those, with the
9 understanding that if official notice is granted, they
10 would be moved into evidence?

11 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: We have not granted
12 anything.

13 Miss Heinrich, I'll defer to you on that sort
14 of legal aspect.

15 MS. HEINRICH: Well, I don't know if it's legal
16 so much as housekeeping.

17 Your request for official notice is on the
18 record. I don't know you need to include that. But you
19 could with a notation that they're the subject of a
20 request for official notice.

21 MR. MIZELL: Maybe that's the best. I'll note
22 them as being the subject of the official notice request.

23 MS. HEINRICH: Okay. Thanks.

24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. Thank
25 you all.

1 Now we'll return to Mr. Ruiz and Mr. Burke.

2 And I believe the Department had estimated
3 about 20 minutes of cross-examination.

4 Miss Meserve had indicated a few questions.

5 So we'll try to get you out of here by about
6 5 o'clock; if not 5:00, a few minutes after, Mr. Burke.

7 MR. RUIZ: Good afternoon, Hearing Officers and
8 staff. Dean Ruiz on behalf of the SDWA parties Group 21.

9 THOMAS BURKE,

10 called as a witness for the Central Delta Water Agency,
11 South Delta Water Agency (Delta Agencies), Lafayette
12 Ranch, Heritage Lands Inc., Mark Bachetti Farms and Rudy
13 Mussi Investments L.P., having been previously duly
14 sworn, testified further as follows:

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16 MR. RUIZ: Mr. Burke, you've been sworn in this
17 case in this matter before; correct?

18 WITNESS BURKE: Yes, I have.

19 MR. RUIZ: Mr. Burke, did you prepare
20 surrebuttal testimony as part of your work in this
21 matter?

22 WITNESS BURKE: I did.

23 MR. RUIZ: And is SDWA-261 a true and correct
24 copy of that surrebuttal testimony?

25 WITNESS BURKE: It is.

1 MR. RUIZ: Since you've submitted that
2 surrebuttal testimony, did you have a chance to review
3 it?

4 WITNESS BURKE: Yes, I did.

5 MR. RUIZ: Did you note a few changes to your
6 testimony, essentially typos?

7 WITNESS BURKE: Yeah. There was two small
8 typos that were made in developing the rebuttal
9 testimony.

10 The first was on Page 5, Line 22. I mistakenly
11 put Mr. Munévar's name down rather than Dr. Tehrani's
12 name as a reference for that section.

13 And the same occurred on Page 5, Line 24.
14 Mr. Munévar's name was used rather than Dr. Tehrani's
15 name for that reference.

16 MR. RUIZ: Thank you, Mr. Burke.

17 At this time, can you please summarize your
18 surrebuttal testimony.

19 WITNESS BURKE: I basically have nine points
20 that I would like to briefly make that respond to the
21 rebuttal testimony of Dr. Tehrani and, to a lesser
22 extent, of Mr. Munévar.

23 The first pertains to the use of monthly or
24 long-term monthly averages and analyzing the model
25 results for the Cal~WaterFix Project.

1 Dr. Tehrani testified that the output from the
2 DSM-2 model should be used to compare WaterFix scenarios
3 by only using the monthly or long-term monthly average of
4 whatever parameter that you're trying to evaluate.

5 I disagree with this opinion.

6 Using a monthly or a long-term monthly average
7 masks the impact from the different scenarios.

8 The long-term average might be appropriate for
9 a water supply evaluation when you're looking at
10 long-term deliveries, but it's incorrect when you're
11 evaluating impacts to the Delta based on a change in flow
12 characteristics, because the flow characteristics that
13 occur in the Delta are based on the tidal response in the
14 Delta to these changing flow patterns.

15 The DSM-2 model was developed and calibrated on
16 a 15-minute time-step. It's been in use for over 20
17 years and has gone through numerous refinements over that
18 20-year period to ensure that the response of the model
19 on that 15-minute time-step is as accurate as you can get
20 with a physically-based model.

21 It's impossible to evaluate the changes to a
22 tidal bay system by eliminating the effects of the tide
23 from the analysis, which is basically what's happening
24 when you go to monthly or long-term monthly average
25 analyses.

1 When used in a comparative fashion, the
2 scenario results are comparable on a short timeframe
3 basis because all the basic characteristics that drive
4 each of these scenarios are on the same equal footing.

5 The second element that I'd like to discuss is
6 the use of the short time-step in chronological order or
7 in an exceedance analysis that Dr. Tehrani has
8 recommended that all these analyses be based on.

9 When you're looking at an exceedance analysis,
10 what you're doing is taking all the data you've got and
11 sorting it from high to low.

12 When you look at the data in a chronological
13 basis, you're taking that same exact data and you're just
14 looking at it in chronological order.

15 I believe that the most appropriate way to look
16 at that data is not an exceedance analysis but looking at
17 it chronologically, because that helps you to identify
18 when and where and at what duration and extent is
19 occurring when you're looking at a change in flow
20 characteristics that may or may not be an impact.

21 The third point that I'd like to make in terms
22 of responding to the rebuttal testimony from Dr. Tehrani
23 was looking at the statistics based on long-time water
24 year and averages based on model results.

25 And based on the two previous points I made, I

1 feel that this is an inappropriate way of looking at the
2 model results. The long-term averages mask all the
3 impacts that occur within a tidally-based system, which
4 is not going to allow you to really see what impacts are
5 occurring to the flow or water quality characteristics
6 that you're evaluating.

7 The fourth element that I'd like to respond to
8 was the inclusion of X-2 and the Head of Old River
9 Barrier impacts in evaluation of the Cal WaterFix
10 Scenarios.

11 Each of the scenarios are made up of multiple
12 different elements, X-2 being a component -- or -- or the
13 lack of X-2 being a component in B1, and the Head of Old
14 River Barrier being a variety of components in the other
15 WaterFix scenarios.

16 In repeated testimony and cross-examination,
17 Dr. Tehrani and Mr. Munévar responded that the impacts
18 that are seen are a result of the lack of an X-2, or
19 because the operations of the Head of Old River Barrier
20 that are changed and, therefore, shouldn't be looked at
21 as valid impacts to the system because they aren't
22 directly related to diversions that are occurring in the
23 North Delta Diversion.

24 We feel like that's an inappropriate way of
25 evaluating the impacts in the scenario because each

1 scenario is made of multiple different components that
2 have to be evaluated as a system.

3 When they put forth these different scenarios
4 and try to -- and approached the original Board to get a
5 Water Rights Permit for operating within these different
6 scenario ranges, they put these together for a specific
7 purpose.

8 You can't start picking and choosing which
9 elements in each of these scenarios are appropriate to
10 evaluate or may or may not have valid impacts.

11 The fifth element or point that I'd like to
12 respond to is the requirements in the No-Action
13 Alternative and the B1 scenario for the X-2.

14 Now, in the B1 scenario, the X-2 requirement
15 was removed, and Dr. Tehrani has repeated on several
16 occasions that the B1 scenario -- the X-2 scenario that
17 is not included in B1 is not appropriate to evaluate the
18 results from the B1 scenario to the No-Action
19 Alternative, because if the X-2 scenario were to be
20 eliminated as a requirement for Delta flow
21 characteristics, it would have been eliminated in the
22 No-Action Alternative as well as the B1 scenario.

23 And we don't feel that that's appropriate, that
24 because of the benefits to be gained in the WaterFix
25 Project by not having to meet X-2, that there are

1 pressures being put on the system that may change the --
2 whether or not the X-2 actually removed its requirement
3 for flows in the Delta.

4 The sixth element that I'd like to respond to
5 relates to the assertion that CalSim II is unable to
6 model extreme conditions because the model relies on
7 general rules.

8 Now, it's true that the model does rely on
9 general rules. These rules were developed by DWR and the
10 Bureau of Reclamation over multiple years looking at
11 Model Operators' response to different conditions, taking
12 the model and running it through the 82-year period of
13 record, trying out different types of rules, and finding
14 out which types of rules give them the best response for
15 the different hydrologic conditions that occurred over
16 that 82-year period.

17 They then finalized those rules, but now those
18 rules are being applied equally to all the different
19 scenarios, for B1, B2, H3, H4, the preferred alternative.

20 Since all the rules are being applied equally
21 to all those different models, the response of each of
22 these different models under extreme conditions, whether
23 it be wet or dry conditions, is a valid way of comparing
24 the changes in hydraulic characteristics in -- hydrologic
25 characteristics in the Delta to each of the different

1 changes that are composed of -- that are integral to each
2 of the different WaterFix scenarios.

3 And you have to remember, what we're trying to
4 evaluate is not trying to predict exactly what's going to
5 happen in any particular year, because these are
6 generalized rules.

7 But given these generalized rules, what is
8 changing between each of these different scenarios? Are
9 things improving? Are things getting bet -- worse? Are
10 water levels changing? Is water quality changing?

11 It's the change from one scenario to the next
12 they're trying to evaluate, not the absolute conditions,
13 which makes it totally valid to evaluate how these
14 different scenarios are operating and responding in
15 extreme events.

16 The seventh item that I'd like to respond to
17 from the rebuttal testimony is the change in river flow
18 conditions for high-flow years.

19 And Dr. Munévar -- Or Mr. Munévar has responded
20 that the diversion of flows through the North Delta
21 Diversions will not make high-flow years act like
22 low-flow years, given the diversions -- the volume of
23 diversions being conducted on an annual basis.

24 I totally disagree with that statement.

25 The North Delta Diversion would remove a

1 significant portion of flow in the Sacramento River,
2 especially in the late summer period.

3 To evaluate that, I took the Petitioners' DSM-2
4 model output and determined what the flow changes would
5 be downstream of the North Delta Diversions in multiple
6 years.

7 I'd like to bring up SDWA-261, Page 10, if we
8 could, to take a look at several plots that I developed
9 from that analysis.

10 (Document displayed on screen.)

11 WITNESS BURKE: At the top of Page 10, I have a
12 Figure D1.

13 What this is, is the Sacramento River
14 downstream of the North-of-Delta diversions, and it
15 provides the mean July flow rate for that location.

16 I've got two plots on this graph. I've got one
17 in blue, which represents the No-Action Alternative, and
18 I've got another plot in red, which represents scenario
19 B1.

20 And this plot goes from 1975 through 1991. And
21 on the Y-Axis, we have the flow in the Sacramento River.

22 As you can see, going from the blue line to the
23 red line, you're getting a decrease in water flow rates
24 in Sacramento River for all of these different years --
25 or most of these different years except for 1977 and

1 1988.

2 And what's happening is, the flow rate's
3 dropping from what typically would be a high-flow period
4 through many of these years now to what's more commonly
5 experienced in a dry or critically dry period.

6 If you go to the next plot, D2, at the bottom
7 of Page 10, we're now looking at August, moving one month
8 further down through the summer.

9 Again, the blue line represents the flow in the
10 Sacramento River under the No-Action Alternative, and the
11 red line represents the flow corresponding to scenario
12 B1.

13 Here, you can see that same process is even
14 more exaggerated. Almost all years are showing flow
15 rates that are experienced typically only in dry and
16 critically dry years under the No-Action Alternative, but
17 now all years are looking closer to being a dry or
18 critically dry year.

19 If we go to Page 11 at the top of the page --

20 (Document displayed on screen.)

21 WITNESS BURKE: -- we have the third and final
22 graph showing this process as we move to the month of
23 September.

24 Here, if you look at the blue line again which
25 represents the No-Action Alternative and moving down to

1 the red line which represents B1, you can see that the
2 flow rate for B1 alternative has almost flatlined at
3 almost critical conditions for all years, except for
4 1983, which was an extraordinarily wet year.

5 And we feel that this change in flow rates
6 downstream of the North Delta Diversions is creating a
7 drought condition that's going to be experienced most
8 every year after the diversions are begun.

9 Not only do we see this in the flow rate but we
10 also see this same type of process of turning high-flow
11 years into low-flow years in water quality
12 characteristics as well.

13 If we bring up SDWA -- looks like Page 11, also
14 the bottom of the page.

15 (Document displayed on screen.)

16 WITNESS BURKE: What we have here is a figure
17 that we've taken out of Dr. Tehrani's testimony, DWR-79,
18 Page 7, his Figure 2.

19 And what we've got plotted there is four years,
20 1984 through 1987. And what's interesting and nice about
21 these particular set of years is, it represents two wet
22 years and two dry years.

23 The first line that we see there is the blue
24 line, which represents the No-Action Alternative, and on
25 the Y-Axis we have the chloride concentration, which

1 represents the salinity in the system at Antioch.

2 And we've got -- If you follow that blue line,
3 you can see through the first year where it's a wet year
4 in 1984, and the salinity levels are fairly low.

5 If you go to the next year, 1985, it was a dry
6 year and the salinity levels are fairly high.

7 And then if you go back to 1986, then you see a
8 dry year -- a wet year. Again, the salinity levels for
9 the blue line representing the No-Action Alternative are
10 fairly low. And then, again, going back to a dry year,
11 '87, they become dry again.

12 Now, if you look to the red line, this is
13 Boundary Condition B1 -- or scenario B1, and in the wet
14 year where the blue line is normally low, suddenly you
15 get that -- the salinity increases to the level that you
16 only experience typically in dry years.

17 If you follow that red line to a dry year, it
18 matches up with what the No-Action Alternative would be.

19 Now, as you're moving into 1986 under a wet
20 year, when we typically had low salinity levels, now
21 suddenly we've got high salinity levels again.

22 And then as you move to '87, which was a dry
23 year, the blue line and the red line match again.

24 So, basically, what we've done is, we've turned
25 the wet years into dry years. So we've got continual

1 drought conditions in terms of salinity levels at this
2 location.

3 And that is a major change and concern, I
4 think, for the water quality characteristics at this
5 point and is in contrast to what Dr. Tehrani has
6 testified to -- I'm sorry -- what Dr. Munévar --
7 Mr. Munévar testified to.

8 The eighth point that I'd like to make in terms
9 of rebutting the testimony presented by the Petitioners
10 was, the monthly CalSim boundary -- CalSim II boundary
11 conditions for DSM-2 prohibit accurate sub-monthly
12 analysis of DSM-2 results.

13 And what we have here is, CalSim II produces a
14 monthly output. These monthly outputs become the
15 boundary conditions to the Delta for the DSM-2 model.

16 Now, the DSM-2 model takes these monthly
17 outputs and disaggregates that down to a 15-minute
18 time-step for each of the different inflow points to the
19 Delta.

20 Now, that is not going to allow you to produce
21 accurate results if you want to compare it to real
22 conditions, because the CalSim II model cannot
23 necessarily accurately produce 15-minute data on a
24 day-by-day basis.

25 But this disaggregation process for the

1 CalSim II output at the model boundary is done
2 identically for all the different scenarios.

3 So all the scenarios are on the same footing,
4 so they can be compared to each other even though they
5 may not be able to be predicting reality for any
6 particular day or week. But it allows us to use the
7 DSM-2 model on much shorter time-steps to compare the
8 model results to see whether or not there's a change or
9 an impact from either water quality or stage.

10 (Timer rings.)

11 WITNESS BURKE: I've got one last element, if I
12 could.

13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay.

14 WITNESS BURKE: The last element, Number 9, was
15 the effects of the WaterFix scenarios on water level.

16 It's been stated by Dr. Tehrani that my
17 analysis of water level as a result of the North Delta
18 Diversions and the WaterFix scenarios were limited to
19 just a single 15-minute time-step that produced a 4-foot
20 drop in water elevation.

21 And this representation of my analysis is
22 incorrect.

23 The drop in water level we get from the North
24 Delta Diversions, specifically for Scenario B1, are not
25 only extensive, going down to as much as 4 feet, but

1 extend throughout a whole month rather than a single
2 15-minute value.

3 I'd like to bring up Figure D-4 from SDWA-261,
4 which is on Page 13.

5 This is a plot showing the stage downstream of
6 the North Delta Diversions between 1984 -- or for 1984
7 and looking at the change in state between B1 scenario
8 and the No-Action Alternative.

9 As we can see, the top line there showing the
10 tidal cycle in the Delta -- in the Sacramento River
11 downstream of the North Delta Diversions, and you can see
12 the high and low tides for the No-Action Alternative.

13 The red line below that shows the tidal change
14 for the B1 alternative or the B1 scenario. And, as you
15 see, there's a much greater range because the water
16 levels are being -- are dropping more in the low tides
17 than they are previously in the No-Action Alternative.

18 I also plotted on this plot the difference
19 between the No-Action Alternative and the B1 scenario,
20 and that's that bottom blue line, the darker line,
21 showing the change in stage between those two scenarios.

22 And you can see that the change in stage ranged
23 between 2 and 4 feet for the whole month of September.
24 It's not just a single one 15-minute time-step change
25 but, rather, a long stage duration that's causing these

1 water levels to drop.

2 And that was the last of my rebuttal.

3 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Thank you very much.

4 DWR?

5 (Pause in proceedings.)

6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Is this a joint
7 cross-examination?

8 MS. MORRIS: (Nodding head.)

9 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.

10 MS. MORRIS: Good afternoon.

11 The subjects that I will be cross-examining on
12 are calibration of DSM-2, and the use of DSM-2 --

13 Oh, am I not supposed to do that now?

14 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: No. Just identify
15 yourself for the record.

16 MS. MORRIS: I'm out of practice.

17 Stefanie Morris for the State Water
18 Contractors. Sorry.

19 The areas that --

20 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And we have
21 Mr. Mizell for DWR.

22 MR. MIZELL: Yes. Tripp Mizell for DWR.

23 MS. MORRIS: The areas that we'll be
24 cross-examining on today are a calibration of DSM-2 and
25 use of DSM-2 output, inclusion or removal of Fall X2

1 requirement in modeling scenarios, modeling of extreme
2 conditions, impacts on Sacramento flows during high-flow
3 years and impacts on water levels.

4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Okay.

5 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY

6 MS. MORRIS: Good afternoon, Mr. Burke.

7 WITNESS BURKE: Good afternoon.

8 MS. MORRIS: On your testimony, SDWA-261,
9 Page 2, Line 16 through 18, you testified that
10 Dr. Nader-Tehrani stated in his testimony that output
11 from the DSM-2 model should only be used to compare CWF
12 scenarios by using a long-term monthly average; is that
13 correct?

14 WITNESS BURKE: That's correct.

15 MS. MORRIS: And can you look at DWR-513,
16 Page 9, which is Figure C5.

17 (Document displayed on screen.)

18 MS. MORRIS: So C5, not --

19 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: What page?

20 MS. MORRIS: Nine of the .pdf.

21 (Document displayed on screen.)

22 MS. MORRIS: Thank you.

23 Isn't it true, on this graph, it shows
24 Boundary 1, Boundary 2, NAA, H4 and H3 and, in parens
25 after each one, it says "(Daily Average)"?

1 WITNESS BURKE: My evaluation was based on
2 Dr. Tehrani's rebuttal testimony even though it conflicts
3 with their own presentation in the primary case.

4 MS. MORRIS: That's not the question I asked
5 you, so thank you.

6 Can I move to strike that answer?

7 And the question, again, is --

8 MR. RUIZ: I'd just like to object at this
9 point:

10 Mr. Burke's surrebuttal testimony was
11 responsive specifically to the rebuttal testimony, and
12 now we're getting back into -- Dr. Tehrani's rebuttal
13 testimony was DWR-79 and that's specifically what
14 Mr. Burke was responding to.

15 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Morris.

16 MS. MORRIS: I have three questions and two
17 graphs, and that's it.

18 And it really is to go to show that
19 Dr. Nader-Tehrani did use daily in two different plots,
20 one for water quality chloride and one for water levels,
21 which are directly related to the surrebuttal testimony.

22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: It is.

23 Overruled.

24 WITNESS BURKE: Please repeat the question,
25 please.

1 MS. MORRIS: Sure.

2 Looking at DWR-513, Page 9, Figure C5, if you
3 look at the legend on the top, doesn't it say after each
4 line that's identified there "(Daily Average)"?

5 WITNESS BURKE: Yes, it does.

6 MS. MORRIS: So do you agree that this plot
7 does not utilize long-term averages to show chloride
8 objective at Contra Costa Canal pumping plant?

9 WITNESS BURKE: My surrebuttal didn't respond
10 to the -- what was in this plot, but I agree that what --
11 that this plot is not using long-term averages.

12 MS. MORRIS: You would agree.

13 WITNESS BURKE: That's correct.

14 MS. MORRIS: Thank you.

15 And if I could turn to same -- DWR-513,
16 Page 15, looking at Figure W5.

17 (Document displayed on screen.)

18 MS. MORRIS: And this, again, is looking at
19 water levels, and this -- this figure is entitled,
20 "Probability of Exceedance for Daily Minimum Stage at Old
21 River at Tracy Road."

22 Do you see that.

23 WITNESS BURKE: I do.

24 MS. MORRIS: So, is it your understanding that
25 each curve in this figure, being Figure W5, is assessing

1 the daily minimum stage over 500 -- 5,844 days, or 16
2 years?

3 WITNESS BURKE: I do.

4 MS. MORRIS: You agree?

5 WITNESS BURKE: I agree that this is daily
6 data.

7 MS. MORRIS: Okay. And that it's looking at
8 daily data for 5,844 days.

9 WITNESS BURKE: I'll take your word on the
10 number.

11 MS. MORRIS: Fair enough. Never trust a lawyer
12 to do math.

13 So, again, doesn't this demonstrate that
14 Dr. Nader-Tehrani was not just relying on long-term
15 averages in his analysis?

16 MR. RUIZ: I'm just going to object again.
17 It's the same objection as before:

18 He's responding -- His surrebuttal testimony is
19 responding to the rebuttal testimony, not delving back
20 into case in chief testimony.

21 MS. MORRIS: I have the same response.

22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Same -- Yes, the
23 same ruling.

24 Overruled.

25 MS. MORRIS: Okay.

1 WITNESS BURKE: Could you repeat the question
2 again?

3 MS. MORRIS: Sure.

4 Doesn't this demonstrate that Dr. Nader-Tehrani
5 was relying not just on long-term averages when
6 evaluating water level changes?

7 WITNESS BURKE: Yes, it does.

8 MS. MORRIS: Thank you.

9 Okay. And then I'd like to look at Page 5 of
10 your testimony, SDWA, Lines 22 to 26.

11 (Document displayed on screen.)

12 MS. MORRIS: You state that, in your opinion,
13 the CWF North Delta Diversions put significant pressure
14 on the agencies to have the X-2 requirement removed if
15 they are allowed to operate at Boundary 1.

16 Isn't it true that if they are operating at --
17 at Boundary 1 scenario, there is no Fall X2 requirement?

18 WITNESS BURKE: That's correct.

19 MS. MORRIS: Is it your understanding that
20 Fall X2 -- the Fall X2 requirement is a regulatory
21 requirement for the protection of fisheries that could
22 change, independent of California WaterFix?

23 WITNESS BURKE: Yes, that's true.

24 MS. MORRIS: Couldn't the fishery agencies, in
25 fact, change it at any point in time? "It" being

1 Fall X2. Sorry.

2 MR. RUIZ: I'm just going to object here: It
3 calls for speculation.

4 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Morris.

5 MS. MORRIS: I mean, if he knows.

6 WITNESS BURKE: I'm not familiar with the
7 protocol that would be required to change that.

8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right.

9 MS. MORRIS: Are you aware that there is
10 significant scientific debate regarding Fall X2?

11 MR. RUIZ: Again, that's outside of the scope
12 of his surrebuttal testimony.

13 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: He brought up X-2,
14 so to the extent that he has information with respect to
15 X-2 and can answer her question, he should answer them.

16 WITNESS BURKE: I've never followed the
17 scientific discussions concerning X-2.

18 MS. MORRIS: So you don't know?

19 WITNESS BURKE: No, I don't.

20 MS. MORRIS: Great. Thanks.

21 On Page 6 of SCWA-261, you discuss how
22 Modelers --

23 (Document displayed on screen.)

24 MS. MORRIS: -- can use models to come up with
25 rules to get through extreme conditions; is that correct?

1 WITNESS BURKE: Oh, what lines are you looking
2 at?

3 MR. RUIZ: Can you just slow down a minute?
4 What lines are you referring to.

5 MS. MORRIS: Page 6, Lines 8 through 26.

6 Specifically, if you want me to read it to you,
7 it says, from your testimony (reading):

8 "Based on the observed response of the
9 operations model to those year types, one can then
10 make changes to the operations model, and rerun the
11 model, with those changes, to evaluate the new
12 response."

13 WITNESS BURKE: That's correct.

14 MS. MORRIS: Okay. So you state that such
15 operational rules, if in some years an acceptable
16 response is not possible, the model would indicate where
17 reduced deliveries or operational curtailments would be
18 necessary; correct?

19 WITNESS BURKE: If they built in rules detailed
20 enough to show those particulars, it could.

21 MS. MORRIS: Is it your opinion that, under
22 circumstances when there is not sufficient water in the
23 system to meet all obligations, that Modelers should
24 speculate regarding how regulatory agencies such as the
25 State Water Resources Control Board would act or which

1 water rights might be curtailed in such circumstances?

2 WITNESS BURKE: Could you repeat that question,
3 please?

4 MS. MORRIS: Sure.

5 Is it your opinion that, under circumstances
6 when there's insufficient water in the system to meet all
7 obligations, that Modelers should speculate regarding how
8 regulatory agencies such as the State Water Resources
9 Control Board would act or which water rights might be
10 curtailed in such circumstances?

11 MR. RUIZ: I'm just going to object: The
12 question's compound two or three times.

13 MS. MORRIS: Do you understand the question?

14 WITNESS BURKE: I don't think that the Modelers
15 should guess at what the regulatory response would be.
16 That's what the whole purpose of making generalized rules
17 is that they can be consistent between different
18 scenarios when they evaluate these.

19 If there isn't sufficient water to be allocated
20 to all the needs of the system, then the Modeler has to
21 assume, within a certain priority of distribution,
22 whether or not there are going to be changes and, you
23 know, wheeling and dealing and horse trading at the end
24 in order to balance things out.

25 The Modeler cannot assess that and it's not

1 built into any of the models or generalized rules.

2 MS. MORRIS: So you're suggesting that, for
3 every single condition where there's insufficient water
4 in the system, that there are generalized rules that can
5 be applied to every single scenario in the same fashion?

6 MR. RUIZ: I'm going to object: That misstates
7 his testimony.

8 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I will sustain that.

9 Rephrase that, Miss Morris.

10 MS. MORRIS: Are you -- Are you testifying that
11 Modelers could apply general rules to each and every
12 drought scenario?

13 WITNESS BURKE: No. That's the whole idea of
14 the mean generals. They're not applicable to any
15 particular drought scenario. They try to find the best
16 response using typical Operator controls to respond in a
17 drought condition.

18 MS. MORRIS: So -- And it's not your opinion
19 that, for any specific time period when there's
20 insufficient water in the system -- let's just call it
21 drought -- that the Modelers can model that situation or
22 that scenario.

23 MR. RUIZ: I'm just going to object: It's
24 compound; and I don't know if -- it's an incomplete
25 hypothetical.

1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: I had trouble
2 following it as well, Miss Morris.

3 So slow down a little bit and perhaps break it
4 down. Simplify your question a little.

5 MS. MORRIS: If a Modeler is applying a general
6 rule, how can that possibly respond to a specific drought
7 scenario that may differ from drought to drought?

8 WITNESS BURKE: It applies in a general way.
9 And the way it's used in an evaluative and comparable
10 mode, is that each scenario will show you how extensive
11 that drought response may be.

12 How you accommodate that response in real-time
13 may differ from one year to another year, but at least
14 you can see from a relative perspective what the
15 magnitude of change is going to be from one scenario to
16 the other.

17 MS. MORRIS: So you're not testifying that you
18 can bottle specific actions to cover all drought
19 scenarios.

20 WITNESS BURKE: No, not all drought scenarios.

21 MS. MORRIS: Turning to Page 7 of your
22 testimony, Lines 21 to 26, and that's SDWA-261.

23 (Document displayed on screen.)

24 MS. MORRIS: You state that (reading):

25 "The North Delta Diversions will remove a

1 significant portion of the flow in the Sacramento
2 River . . . in late summer."

3 Correct?

4 WITNESS BURKE: That's correct.

5 MS. MORRIS: And you state that the (reading):

6 ". . . Magnitude of diversion will remove much
7 of the excess water during wet years, to a point
8 where, in late summer, most all years will look like
9 dry and critically dry years."

10 Is that correct?

11 WITNESS BURKE: That's correct.

12 MS. MORRIS: Are you saying that diversion of
13 excess flows, which typically occurs in winter and spring
14 months, would lower the Sacramento River flows in the
15 summer?

16 WITNESS BURKE: I'm saying during the late
17 summer, there is significant amount of water being
18 diverted as a percentage of the Sacramento River flow
19 that then affects the resulting flow within the river.

20 MS. MORRIS: But your testimony is related to
21 excess -- excess flows.

22 WITNESS BURKE: What are you describing as an
23 excess flow?

24 MS. MORRIS: Well, what do you mean by it?
25 It's your testimony.

1 Why don't you tell me about it.

2 WITNESS BURKE: Can you bring up that section
3 on the screen so I can take a look at it?

4 (Document displayed on screen.)

5 WITNESS BURKE: So which lines are you
6 referring to?

7 MS. MORRIS: I was looking at Lines 19 through
8 26, and you -- in particular, Line 24, the (reading):

9 ". . . Magnitude of diversion will remove much
10 of the excess water during wet years, to a point
11 where, in late summer, most all years will look like
12 dry and critically dry years."

13 MR. RUIZ: So just so I'm clear, and for the
14 record, what's the question?

15 MS. MORRIS: Well, I asked a question. There
16 was confusion about what excess flows was. It's his
17 testimony. I've now asked what does he mean by excess
18 flows?

19 WITNESS BURKE: Yeah. I would say it was
20 probably -- Looking at that statement, it would be
21 inappropriate to put "excess" in there. It's -- If what
22 it is, is removing a significant portion of the water,
23 not necessarily differentiating between what might be
24 considered excess or not excess.

25 MS. MORRIS: What do you think the source of

1 that water is during summer months?

2 WITNESS BURKE: Most of it is being released
3 from the reservoirs.

4 MS. MORRIS: So it's stored water, not excess
5 water; correct?

6 WITNESS BURKE: Yeah. "Excess" is
7 inappropriate in that context.

8 MS. MORRIS: Okay. Since the No-Action
9 Alternative -- And just so -- I guess I should
10 probably -- I'm just going to give you what I'm looking
11 at so I don't cause confusion and delay.

12 On SDWA-261, looking at Figures D1 and Figures
13 D2.

14 (Document displayed on screen.)

15 MS. MORRIS: The No-Action Alternative doesn't
16 include the North Delta Diversion; correct?

17 WITNESS BURKE: That's correct.

18 MS. MORRIS: And B1 does include the North
19 Delta Diversion; correct?

20 WITNESS BURKE: That's correct.

21 MS. MORRIS: So wouldn't you expect that these
22 lines would be different because there is no North Delta
23 Diversion and all the water would be moving through --
24 some way through the Delta to the South Delta where it
25 would likely be, some portion of it, exported?

1 WITNESS BURKE: Would you repeat the question?

2 MS. MORRIS: Since the No-Action Alternative
3 doesn't include the North Delta Diversion, wouldn't you
4 expect that the No-Action Alternative line would be
5 higher than the B1 line?

6 WITNESS BURKE: I would expect it to be higher,
7 that's correct.

8 MS. MORRIS: Wouldn't you also suspect that
9 some of the water shown in B1 would be diverted at the
10 South Delta pumps?

11 WITNESS BURKE: I think some of the water in
12 all concerns is diverted at the South Delta pumps.

13 MS. MORRIS: Okay. But my question was
14 specific to B1.

15 WITNESS BURKE: Okay. Yes, some of the water
16 is diverted at the South Delta pumps.

17 MS. MORRIS: Thank you.

18 And your Figure D3 on Page 11 of SD-261 --

19 (Document displayed on screen.)

20 MS. MORRIS: -- you did an analysis comparing
21 B1 and the No-Action Alternative to the mean September
22 flow rate; correct?

23 WITNESS BURKE: That's correct.

24 MS. MORRIS: And, again, you are aware that
25 part of the difference in flows between the No-Action

1 Alternative and Boundary 1 is the inclusion of Fall X2 in
2 the No-Action Alternative and the exclusion of Fall X2 in
3 Boundary 1.

4 WITNESS BURKE: Yes. That's what I was trying
5 to evaluate.

6 MS. MORRIS: So, looking at your testimony,
7 SDWA-261, Page 12, Lines 1 through 9.

8 (Document displayed on screen.)

9 MS. MORRIS: You appear to agree that the
10 disaggregation process for incorporating CalSim II
11 monthly output into DSM-2 means that the disaggregation
12 flows will not necessarily match the flow pattern on any
13 specific day in the future; correct?

14 WITNESS BURKE: That's correct.

15 MS. MORRIS: However, given the sub-monthly
16 patterning is the same between the No-Action Alternative
17 and the CWF scenarios, you are claiming that it could be
18 used to compare sub-monthly results for these scenarios;
19 correct?

20 WITNESS BURKE: I'm claiming that you can
21 compare one scenario to another scenario using the same
22 CalSim II input and DSM-2 model output.

23 MS. MORRIS: Isn't it true that sub-monthly
24 flows under the CWF scenarios could vary from the
25 No-Action Alternative in real-time because Operators may

1 respond to any changes in Delta conditions; for example,
2 Delta salinity?

3 WITNESS BURKE: I wasn't evaluating any
4 real-time operation changes. I was just evaluating the
5 changes from one WaterFix to another.

6 MS. MORRIS: Okay. But wouldn't you agree that
7 if changes were made by Operators that aren't modeled --
8 that aren't in the model because of the sub-monthly flow
9 issue, that it could be different in the No-Action
10 Alternative model versus what happens in reality?

11 WITNESS BURKE: I couldn't speculate what
12 changes might be conducted by the Operators in real-time.

13 But by not including those and just looking at
14 the generalized conditions, you're able to see from one
15 scenario to the next what the magnitude of those changes
16 might need to be for the Operators to respond to those
17 changes in real-time.

18 MS. MORRIS: But you would agree that a
19 potential change by -- in the No-Action Alternative in
20 real-time could be different than the sub-monthly flow
21 patterns that are shown in the modeling; correct.

22 WITNESS BURKE: I'm not sure if I understand
23 the question.

24 MS. MORRIS: What don't you understand? What
25 part?

1 WITNESS BURKE: The first part is changes that
2 an Operator might make in real-time. The second part was
3 something to do with changes to sub-monthly flow
4 patterns, and I don't see how --

5 MS. MORRIS: All right. Let me go back. Let
6 me try to make this clear.

7 You agree that the sub-monthly flow pattern in
8 DSM-2 does not mimic what happens in real life; correct?

9 WITNESS BURKE: It mimics the best assessment
10 that DWR can make looking at historic flow patterns that
11 they can apply universally to each of the different flow
12 scenarios, but it does not match what you might see in
13 any one particular year.

14 But they're not trying to match any one
15 particular year. They're trying to compare one scenario
16 to the other. They want to make sure that comparison's
17 on the same footing, so they provide that same
18 disaggregation identically to each scenario.

19 MS. MORRIS: Okay. Thank you.

20 Isn't it -- Because I think you did answer my
21 question even though you gave a lot of other commentary
22 there to qualify your answer.

23 But isn't this -- this changes between the
24 sub-monthly flow pattern and what happens in reality why
25 one should be cautious when using sub-monthly outputs

1 from the models?

2 WITNESS BURKE: You need to be cautious when
3 using sub-monthly outputs from the model if you're trying
4 to compare the model results to a real-life criteria,
5 like a D-1641 specification.

6 MS. MORRIS: Great. That's perfect. Now I
7 don't have to ask that question.

8 Do you recall in Figure 2 on Page 11 of
9 SDWA-261, which is the bottom figure, in your testimony,
10 that you cite to in your testimony that Dr. Nader-Tehrani
11 testified that the water quality changes in this
12 particular example were due to the institution of X-2 in
13 the No-Action Alternative but not in Boundary 1?

14 WITNESS BURKE: That's correct.

15 MS. MORRIS: And are you aware that Fall X2 has
16 never been fully implemented?

17 WITNESS BURKE: I understand that it hasn't
18 been implemented on a regular basis but that it is still
19 a requirement for the system.

20 MS. MORRIS: Great. Thank you.

21 I have no further questions.

22 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Miss Meserve.

23 MS. MESERVE: No questions.

24 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: Any redirect?

25 MR. RUIZ: No, no redirect.

1 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: All right. I will
2 ask you to wait until completion of all of Group 21's
3 surrebuttal before moving your exhibit into the record.

4 With that, thank you, Mr. Burke.

5 (Witness excused.)

6 CO-HEARING OFFICER DODUC: And we are adjourned
7 until tomorrow.

8 We will begin at 9:30 and I don't expect we
9 will go much after the lunch hour.

10 Thank you all.

11 (Proceedings adjourned at 4:57 p.m.)

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