EXHIBIT: SDWA-3



Biological Assessment for the California WaterFix

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- c. Monitoring, including but not limited to:
 - i. Fish
 - 1. Redd surveys
 - 2. Fall mid water trawl
 - 3. Spring Kodiak trawl
 - 4. Rotary screw trap
 - ii. Sediment
 - 1. Turbidity plume
 - iii. First flush events

3.7.2 Proposed Future Drought Procedures

The following is a list of generalized procedures for implementation of future drought response actions for operations of Delta Facilities:

- a. If on October 1st, if the prior water year was dry or critical³⁵, Reclamation and DWR will convene a multi-agency "drought exception procedures" technical team to include representatives from Reclamation, DWR, USFWS, NMFS, SWRCB, and CDFW.
- b. If, by December 1st, hydrologic forecasts predict dry or critical water year conditions, Reclamation and DWR, in coordination with the Drought Exceptions Procedure Team, will prepare a Drought Contingency Plan Framework outlining Proposed Drought Response Actions that may be requested by the Projects.
- c. If the February 1st hydrologic forecast indicates the potential for a dry or critical water year, Reclamation and DWR, in coordination with the Drought Exceptions Procedures Team, will prepare a Drought Contingency Plan, which includes current and/or updated hydrologic forecasts (50%, 90%, 99% exceedances) and operations plan.
- d. Reclamation will prepare a draft biological review (including a description of the Proposed Drought Response Actions, current status of the species, modeling outputs, and potential effects of those Actions) and transmit to a technical team of agency biologists for review and comment.
- e. Reclamation will prepare a letter to NMFS and memorandum to USFWS outlining its request and including the appropriate documentation and submit the packages to NMFS and the USFWS, respectively, with copies to DWR. SWRCB, and CDFW.
- f. NMFS and USFWS will issue letters/memorandums with their conclusions

³⁵ For either Sacramento Valley or San Joaquin Water Year classifications

- g. DWR would need to get Consistency Determinations under the California Endangered Species Act.
- h. Reclamation and DWR will prepare TUCPs, as needed, for submittal to the SWRCB