



San Joaquin Tributaries Authority
Recommended Questions for the Salmon Workshop:

1. What is the status of protected salmon species?
2. What performance measure should be used to provide reasonable protection of protected salmon species?
3. Has smolt survival through the southern Delta changed or shifted in the past decade?
4. What mechanisms affect smolt survival through the southern Delta?
5. How will flow improve salmon smolt survival through the southern Delta? What is the mechanism?
6. How does flow affect each of the mechanisms that affect smolt survival through the southern Delta?
7. Is it reasonable to use flow to affect predation, floodplain habitat, nutrients, and other mechanisms that may directly impact smolt survival?
8. The flow criteria report recommended 60 percent of the San Joaquin River unimpaired flow was necessary to protect salmon smolt survival in the southern Delta. If the State Water Board adopts less than 60 percent of unimpaired flow, what percentage increase in salmon smolt survival through the Delta would you expect?
9. What is the expected population or survival benefit estimated by the different percentages of unimpaired flow?