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fyi. Thanks for teeing the budget needs up and for all the work you are doing to specify tangible opportunities. --Laura

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Thanks Laura,
Thanks for your work on this. I recognize the budget implications of this. I'm already setting up a mtg to discuss this with the folks here in HQ.

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Hi Pete -

I've attached the latest version of our input to the Federal Bay-Delta Workplan, which we transmitted to CEQ and DOI on Saturday. As we have discussed, Region 9 has committed additional staffing and extramural dollars to these efforts. Beginning next month, we will have a staff person stationed in Sacramento to work alongside DOI, NOAA and the State Natural Resources Agency as we carry out our commitments under the Workplan. This will also include increased attention to the BDCP. In addition to that FTE, we are dedicating approximately $300,000 from our Water Division's budget (These are funds remaining from past projects funded under CWA 104b3). We plan to issue an RFP next month soliciting proposals for assistance related to both the water quality monitoring and assessment work as well as the assessment of state regulations pursuant to our upcoming ANPRM. I'm hoping you can match this level of funding over the next couple of years.

Your direction to the OW budget staff of this priority would be helpful. We will continue to work with your budget staff as EPA's annual budget requests are developed for the San Francisco Bay-Delta Estuary Geographic Program but until Congress funds activity beyond San Francisco Bay itself, we have no extramural resources to support our work in the Delta.

Thank you for any assistance you can provide. - Laura

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