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Hi Patti,

Thanks for sending this to us! Is this the only description of range of alternatives that you know of? In the table near the end of the power point, in the operations column, there is mention of a document handed out at the 2-11-10 meeting that discusses the proposed bdcp project with respect to operations. I'm sorry to ask for another thing, but do you have a copy of that or could get a copy of that description?

Was there any development of "fall X2" as an operational criteria?

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Karen and Erin,

Attached is the powerpoint presentation from the June 15, 2010 BECT meeting regarding the screening process and range of alternatives. I checked the BECT meeting list and several people from EPA and the Corps were included in the invitation. The EIR/EIS consultant seemed to recall that someone from EPA joined the meeting by phone and was emailed the presentation. In any case, this is it.

Looking forward to our continuing discussions.

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Hi Karen,

I agree that our meeting last Friday was very productive and I'm looking forward to having more of them. I too had trouble finding the presentation given at our last BECT meeting (June 15, 2010) regarding the screening process, criteria, and resultant preliminary array of alternatives, so I've asked the consultant to track it down for me. I looked through some of my meeting notes and recalled that a presentation on this was also given at a Steering Committee meeting. A brief description and table of the preliminary array of alternatives is included in the state's BDCP Highlights document on pages 74-76 (see link).

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Yes, I believe that's what I said at last Thursday's meeting. What I was addressing was that the alternatives need to at least partially satisfy the P&N, or they wouldn't be included for analysis. A "reduced export alternative" would be difficult to define (how much reduced? reduced from what?) and wouldn't meet the co-equal goals of the project. That doesn't mean that one or more alternatives would not result in reduced exports (which some actually do).

The results of the screening process will be described in the alternatives development report, an appendix to the EIR/EIS which has not been completed. So I don't have a detailed writeup to forward you at this point.

Hope this helps!

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Hi Patti -

I heard that Friday's meeting on 404 integration was productive - thanks for organizing it.

I wanted to get clarification on what I think I heard on last Thursday's federal agency call. It was in the context of discussing the State Board's recent letter about the need for a "reduced export" alternative. I think I heard you say that this could be a problem for the federal DEIS as the Screening Criteria had screened out (or would screen out) such an alternative. Did I get that right? You were going to send me the Screening Criteria because somehow I had missed that this document had been completed. Is there also a report documenting the results of applying this criteria? Or was that what you said was done by powerpoint at a BECT meeting?

Thanks Patti! - Karen

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