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Sent: Tue 5/20/2014 1:28:46 PM
Subject: Fw: Delta Independent Science Board Releases Review of Draft Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) EIR/EIS

See below re: final Independent Science Board comments, which raise many of the same issues we are raising. Stephanie's message quotes from the intro to the comments.
Also, we've heard that the lead agencies have received at least 2 requests for further extension of the comment deadline: NRDC requested 60 days, and a coalition of in-Delta water users requested 120. To my knowledge, the lead agencies have not yet responded to those requests; therefore, the sooner EPA recommends extension while a Supplement is developed, the better.
- Kathy

From: Skophammer, Stephanie
Sent: Monday, May 19, 2014 4:29:10 PM
To: Goforth, Kathleen
Subject: FW: Delta Independent Science Board Releases Review of Draft Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) EIR/EIS

The much-awaited Delta ISB Report.

We find, however, that the science in this BDCP effort falls short of what the project requires. We highlight our concerns in the attached report. The report, in turn, draws on our detailed responses to charge questions from the Delta Stewardship Council (Appendix A) and on our reviews of individual chapters in the DEIR/DEIS (Appendix B). Our concerns raise issues that, if not addressed, may undermine the contributions of BDCP to meeting the co-equal goals for the Delta.

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Delta ISB Weighs in on Draft BDCP Environmental Impact Report/Statement

The Delta Independent Science Board (Delta ISB) has released its review of the draft Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement.

The Delta Reform Act of 2009 instructs the Delta ISB to review the BDCP Draft EIR/EIS and to submit its comments to the Delta Stewardship Council and the California Department of Fish and Game. The ISB focused its review on the adequacy of the science and the validity of the conclusions drawn from that science. Their findings are highlighted in a detailed, 131-page report which will be used by the Council to shape its comments on the BDCP which will be discussed at its May 29-30 meeting.

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