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**CALIFORNIA BAY-DELTA PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION SUBCOMMITTEE**

**Description**

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**1. Official Designation**

The Ecosystem Restoration Subcommittee is a subcommittee of the California Bay-Delta Public Advisory Committee (BDPAC), a federal public advisory committee chartered by the Department of the Interior to advise the CALFED Bay-Delta Program.

**2. Purpose**

The purpose of the Ecosystem Restoration Subcommittee is to provide guidance and advice to BDPAC on issues relating to the Ecosystem Restoration Program (ERP) and related CALFED activities. Other activities of the Ecosystem Restoration Subcommittee include exchange of information, analysis of issues, and fact-finding, as appropriate, regarding management and implementation of the ERP and related CALFED activities. The Ecosystem Restoration Subcommittee will assist with the implementation of the ERP through the completion of Stage 1. The Ecosystem Restoration Subcommittee reports directly to BDPAC.

**3. Responsibilities and Outcomes**

*Ecosystem Subcommittee*

Responsibilities of the Ecosystem Restoration Subcommittee are solely advisory. These responsibilities include providing guidance and advice to BDPAC regarding:

- The overall adequacy of CALFED's efforts to implement the ERP as described in the June 2000 Programmatic EIS/R and the August 2000 Record of Decision;
- Ongoing efforts by the ERP to develop, refine and implement system-wide, regional and local ecosystem restoration plans and implementation strategies, and promote partnerships with local and regional interests;
- The adequacy of ERP budgets, staffing, and project management activities.
- Performance assessment and adaptive management activities, including the ERP's efforts to develop and refine ecosystem performance metrics and processes for science-based decision-making;
- Implementation and oversight of CALFED's environmental water management activities, including the ERP Environmental Water Program and the CVPIA Water Acquisition Program; and coordination with the CALFED

- Environmental Water Account, and related programs; and,
- Integration and coordination of ERP activities with other CALFED program areas, and coordination with related non-CALFED programs.

### ***Ecosystem Subcommittee Co-Chairs***

The role of the Ecosystem Restoration Subcommittee co-chairs includes:

- Coordinate and facilitate activities of the Ecosystem Restoration Subcommittee and encourage active involvement of interested members of the public, and
- Act as liaison between BDPAC and the Ecosystem Restoration Subcommittee.

### ***Expected Outcomes***

The expected outcomes from Ecosystem Restoration Subcommittee activities include:

- An Ecosystem Restoration Program that can demonstrate adequate progress toward meeting performance goals and objectives,
- An Ecosystem Restoration Program that is responsive to regional needs, and
- Building local support for the Ecosystem Restoration Program, including the acquisition of water and land for environmental purposes.

## **4. Decision Making**

The Ecosystem Restoration Subcommittee uses a collaborative approach during its discussions. A summary of action items and major outcomes from each Ecosystem Restoration Subcommittee meeting is prepared by the Ecosystem Restoration Subcommittee co-chairs and the ERP Program Manager and presented to the BDPAC.

## **5. Changes**

Changes to this description may be made by BDPAC as appropriate. The Ecosystem Restoration Subcommittee will remain in existence until the BDPAC charter expires or until terminated by BDPAC.