

CALFED Bay-Delta Program

Oversight and Coordination Multi-Year Program Plan (Years 6-9)

(State FYs 2005-06 to 2008-09; Federal FYs 2006 to 2009)

Implementing Agencies:

California Bay-Delta Authority

March 2005



Goals and Objectives

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The California Bay-Delta Authority oversees and helps coordinate the activities of the 24 state and federal agencies working cooperatively through the CALFED Program to improve the quality and reliability of California's water supplies while restoring the Bay-Delta ecosystem. The California Bay-Delta Authority Act of 2003 established the Authority as the new governance structure for CALFED and charged it with providing accountability, ensuring balanced implementation, tracking and assessing Program progress, using sound science, assuring public involvement and outreach, and coordinating and integrating related government programs. The staff is guided by the Authority and helps provide direction to implementing agencies. As an essential part of implementation, oversight and coordination is a vital component of the CALFED process, providing a forum for discussion, public accountability, and assisting in Program integration. The coordination between the state and federal agencies is necessary to achieve balanced implementation of the 11 program elements and is made easier by the oversight provided by the staff at the Authority.

The Authority's responsibility is to oversee and coordinate integrated and balanced implementation of the CALFED Program. In order to achieve this, the Authority is responsible for many program-wide activities including: financing, Program tracking, regional coordination, public information and outreach, staffing the Authority and Public Advisory Committees, coordinating environmental justice and tribal activities, water management, annual and multi-year program planning, and preparing an annual report of progress and balance.

Goal - Financing:

In December 2004, the Authority approved a Finance Plan for all aspects of the CALFED Program by unanimous vote. A fundamental priority of the CALFED Program is to maintain a balanced and integrated Program. There are four equally important objectives, (water supply reliability, levee system integrity, water quality, and ecosystem restoration), implemented through 11 program elements, that need to move forward together to ensure overall Program success. In the Resolution 04-12-03, the Authority committed staff to continue to work with State and Federal administrations, implementing agencies, stakeholders, and the Legislature and Congress on refining the details of the Plan and to bring relevant issues back to the Authority and BDPAC for further consideration.

Goal - Program Tracking:

A critical component of the CALFED Program is program-wide tracking of funding, schedules and performance. The goal is to provide a program-wide summary of progress for the Authority, BDPAC, and the public. The information collected through program tracking assists in maintaining program-wide balance and integration and is used both in the multi-year program plans and in the annual report.

- Track the progress of program projects and activities and assess overall schedule and funding performance of the CALFED Program.
- Provide data to effectively review and modify, as needed, the Program's timelines and activities to meet the CALFED Program's overall goals and objectives.

- Review and report annually the state and federal funding for each of the program elements.

Goal - Regional Coordination:

The CALFED Program is committed to the concept of local partnerships and regionally based implementation. Regional Coordinators, selected from within the region itself, help to enhance two way communications between the region and various elements of the Program.

- Provide assistance to the program elements related to regional implementation and integration of Program activities.
- Provide outreach relative to the CALFED Program on a regional level.
- Seek input from the regional stakeholders and interests on what the regional needs are and how the CALFED Program can help address these needs.

Goal - Public Information and Outreach:

The CALFED Program is founded on the principle of bringing greater transparency, public involvement, and accountability to Program implementation and to the decision-making process. Strong two-way communication and public information bring this principle to life. Objectives for public information include: fostering understanding and support for the Program from the public, political leaders, and interested parties, communicating overall program and individual program element objectives, and providing continuously updated information about program-wide and project-specific developments including public involvement opportunities, funding, progress and accomplishments.

The following goals are used in the public outreach effort to support the objectives:

- Engaging media through events and news releases to highlight Program activities, accomplishments and foster support.
- Having Program materials available for interested parties and the public at various venues across the state including related conferences and exhibits.
- Providing easy access to Program information through the internet.
- Providing electronic monthly newsletters and electronic list serves to interested parties and the public to disseminate Program activities and updates.
- Creating printed materials for a variety of audiences to share and foster support the goals, accomplishments, and challenges of the CALFED Program and foster support.
 - Fact Sheets
 - Presentations
 - Regional Information
 - Annual Report

Goal – Support for the Bay-Delta Authority and Public Advisory Committee:

The Authority, composed of public members, representatives of state and federal agencies, and members of the legislature, is responsible for overseeing the implementation of the CALFED Program. The Authority, established by legislation enacted in 2002, provides a permanent governance structure for the collaborative state-federal effort that began in 1994.

The Bay-Delta Public Advisory Committee (BDPAC) is composed of public members representing various areas of expertise and stakeholder groups. It is a federally-chartered committee and was established as a state advisory committee in the California Bay-Delta Act of 2003. BDPAC provides recommendations to the Secretary of the Interior, other participating federal agencies, the Governor of California, and the Authority on implementation of the CALFED Program.

There are nine subcommittees established by BDPAC, in consultation with the Authority, to recommend courses of action on topics deemed critical by BDPAC. Each subcommittee has broad public membership and is expected to address stakeholder and agency concerns and report its findings and recommendations to BDPAC. These subcommittees are an important forum for public transparency, the ability for discussion of issues and concerns by the public, and an arena for interaction with the implementing agencies that provide updates and information to the public at large.

Specific staff objectives are:

- Support and assist the Authority so that it can carry out its statutorily required mission to advise and make recommendations on issues related to the Program and any of its processes, projects, or programs.
- Support and assist the BDPAC so that it can carry out its federally-chartered mission to provide assistance and recommendations to the Secretary of the Interior, through the participating federal agencies, and to the Governor of California through the Authority on program implementation, including priorities, integration, and balance.

Goal - Environmental Justice: EJ is being updated. As soon as it is complete, a new copy of the OC will be provided. Other activities are "complete".

A commitment to address Environmental Justice (EJ) communities and populations at both the Programmatic and project levels is included in both the Record of Decision and the California Bay-Delta Authority Act. Part of the oversight and coordination function of the Authority is to help implementing agencies incorporate environmental justice into their respective programs and provide a forum for concerns to be discussed. The ROD calls for the integration of EJ across all program elements. In order to meet this requirement close collaboration is required among all program elements to consider EJ concerns when raised, and to incorporate EJ concepts and principles when appropriate. The Environmental Justice subcommittee works with other subcommittees and programs to provide guidance on environmental justice issues and concerns. This past year was the first time specific sections on "environmental justice" were part of the annual Program Plan process. This provided a more structured opportunity to discuss EJ concerns with a specific programmatic focus. Review and commentary on all CALFED Program Plans is now a regular activity of the EJ stakeholders and subcommittee members. CALFED coordination of this effort is designed to produce program plans

and directed actions that address EJ in tangible ways with significant community involvement and support.

The term “Environmental Justice” was derived by minority and low-income communities seeking protection from disproportionate risks and the cumulative impacts of environmental hazards that limits their quality of life. Environmental Justice is firmly established in federal and state law, with California being among the leaders in both integrating and incorporating EJ statewide. The CALFED Program and its participating agencies are committed to seeking fair treatment of people of all races, cultures, and incomes, such that all segments of the population shall enjoy the benefits of the CALFED Program activities, and none shall bear a disproportionately high or adverse health, environmental, social or economic impact resulting from CALFED programs, policies, or actions. The CALFED Program’s Solution Principles relate directly to the principles of environmental justice: reduce conflicts in the system, be equitable, be affordable, be durable, be implementable and have no significant redirected impacts. Full integration of EJ across the programs also contributes to program balance, as required by the ROD.

Specific objectives are to:

- Ensure meaningful and substantive participation of community-based organizations and environmental justice groups in CALFED Program planning, Program implementation, and decision-making processes.
- Develop and implement a CALFED program-wide environmental justice education and technical assistance program.
- Develop tools and capacity of state and federal agencies and staff to identify, understand, and evaluate environmental justice issues.
- Develop environmental justice goals and objectives for each program area, including identifying and developing specific methods to address and mitigate environmental justice impacts.
- Collect and analyze additional geographic information to assist in the identification of environmental justice impacts.
- Ensure effective participation on technical and advisory workgroups by members of potentially affected and/or adversely impacted populations.
- Coordinate development of CALFED projects and directed actions to address EJ issues and concerns, as identified by the EJ subcommittee.

Goal – Tribal Coordination:

The Record of Decision and the Authority’s implementing statute both include a commitment to coordinate with tribal governments as part of Program implementation. Part of the oversight and coordination function of the Authority is to help implementing agencies avoid and address tribal concerns associated with their implementation activities.

Coordination will comply with the Bureau of Reclamation's Indian Policy that acknowledge and affirm the special relationship between the United States and Federally recognized Indian tribes; and to actively seek partnerships with Indian tribes to ensure that tribes have the opportunity to participate fully in the CALFED Program as they develop and manage their water and related resources.

The tribes have been involved with CALFED Program for a number of years and currently are represented on BDPAC. Tribes have been working to protect and preserve Indian Trust Assets since CALFED's beginnings. Tribes are very aware of stewardship concepts and have formed partnerships with many agencies and environmental groups to promote such concepts and on-the-ground projects. The oversight and coordination aspect of CALFED provides opportunities for cooperation and coordination to occur.

Specific objectives are to:

- Ensure consistency in interpretation and application of CALFED Program Record of Decision commitments pertaining to Tribal Trust Assets.
- Develop tribal goals and objectives for each program area, including identifying and developing specific methods to address and mitigate environmental impacts.
- Work closely with the Statewide Native American Liaison Subcommittee on developing a draft "Statewide Policy Initiative On Working With California Indian Tribes." This initiative is directed by the State Governor's office.
- Create Tribal Water Council to work closely with the Tribal Coordinator and implementing agencies in addressing tribal issues and concerns of CALFED programs.
- Ensure effective tribal participation on technical and advisory workgroups.
- Provide technical assistance to the implementing agencies,
- Update Tribal webpage and produce other outreach materials to enhance two-way communications with tribal communities on projects and programs.
- Contact and meet with tribes on an individual basis to brief them on CALFED projects that may potentially impact their tribal trust assets.
- Establish a tribal reference section within the California Bay-Delta Authority library.
- Provide outreach and grant opportunities for tribes to participate in CALFED programs.

Goal – System-wide Water Management:

The objective of CALFED's water management (also called water supply reliability) activities is to reduce the gap between water supplies and demands, and to improve the reliability of California's water supply within the context of unpredictable hydrology and the competing needs of fish and wildlife and other users. Authority staff provides oversight and coordination for CALFED water management activities, with a focus on assessing the system as a whole, consistency in evaluating water supply projects and optimizing the operation of the system to achieve maximum balanced benefits.

Put simply, the Authority is where the issues, expectations, and results of the Water Management activities come together. For example, implementing agencies are preparing estimates of future water demand under different water conservation and recycling scenarios; simultaneously, other implementing agency departments are conducting complex modeling studies to estimate how proposed surface storage projects will meet future demands. The Authority's Water Management team helps bring these two technical worlds together so that the demands information used in the storage modeling will be consistent with water conservation projections.

The Authority staff also coordinates activities for common assumptions activities associated with the assessment and development of water supply reliability projects. The common assumptions effort is developing a unified set of data and modeling tools for conducting water management analyses including surface storage investigations modeling.

Goal - Annual and Multi-year Program Planning

Each year the Authority oversees and coordinates the preparation of annual and multi-year program plans for the 11 CALFED program elements. The program plans describe what has been accomplished, identify issues or problems, and propose steps for resolving the issues; identify available funding and additional funding needs, and ensures cross program integration and balance is occurring in the Program.

Comments on the draft plans are solicited from the BDPAC subcommittees and the public. BDPAC subcommittees discuss relevant program plans and help identify outstanding issues within that element. The subcommittees are encouraged to ask questions of the implementing agency staff prior to submitting their comments and recommendations to BDPAC. BDPAC reviews the program plans and makes a recommendation to the Authority. The Authority approves the program plans.

Due to the increasing demands on the programs and the decreasing availability of funds, it is vital for the programs to identify program priorities and gaps. One of the tools that the Authority staff uses to help identify gaps within each program is by working with the agencies to track progress and develop performance measures for all elements of the Program. Furthermore, each plan addresses integration of programs and discusses funding requirements and availability.

- The California Bay-Delta Authority Act of 2003 requires the Authority to annually review and approve program plans and long-term expenditure plans.

Goal - Annual Report of Progress and Balance:

The ROD and the California Bay-Delta Authority Act of 2003 require implementation of a balanced program. Finance planning, regional profiles, annual report, and the program plans all provide information helpful to assessing the status of the Program, transparency of the CALFED process, and assist in the discussion of balance and integration.

The Annual Report provides a “look back” at the accomplishments of the Program and helps identify gaps where the Program may need to focus. The Annual Report details the status of implementation for all elements of the CALFED Program and sets the stage for projects in the coming year. Included in the report is the annual Statement of Progress, which summarizes the work of the Authority and the implementing agencies during the past fiscal year and the anticipated activities for the coming year.

The California Bay-Delta Authority Act requires that the Authority “on or before December 15 of each year, submit a report to the Governor, the Secretary of the Interior, the Legislature, and the Congress of the United States that describes the status of implementation of all program elements for the prior fiscal year.”

Accomplishments

Progress is being made on all tasks under Oversight and Coordination.

Financing

The CALFED Bay-Delta Program Finance Plan was approved by the Authority by unanimous vote in December 2004 and is available online at: http://www.calwater.ca.gov/FinancePlanning/CBDA_Final_Finance_Plan_1-23-05.pdf.

Program Tracking

In January 2005, Authority staff compiled a comprehensive state/federal Cross-Cut budget report that is displayed in the Governor's budget for informational purposes. The Cross-Cut budget report covers prior-year actuals, current-year estimates, and budget-year proposals which identify, by responsible agency, all expenditures within the state and federal governments used to achieve the objectives identified within the CALFED Program. The Cross-Cut budget report is updated throughout the year as numbers are updated through the federal and state budget process.

Regional Coordination

Regional coordinators have been conducting outreach and working with the regions to identify regional interests. Funding continues to be provided to two regional forums: the Southern California Water Dialogue and the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) CALFED Task Force. Regional coordinators have also worked with other regional groups to update them regarding CALFED Program activities and to hear their interests.

In coordination with DWR's Bulletin 160, prepared draft regional profiles for each of the regions and are refining these documents as part of program planning. Updated regional brochures and region-specific summaries of interests and accomplishments for the annual reports.

Worked with Delta Protection Commission (DPC) to identify opportunities to improve communications, regional interests in the Bay Area to develop a framework for an integrated regional water management strategy for the region and the Sacramento River Conservation Area Forum (SRCAF) to investigate potential policy changes associated with agricultural land converted to habitat that may help to improve landowner assurances for neighboring landowners and lessen conflicts among stakeholders.

Worked with the Delta Protection Commission, its CALFED committee, stakeholders, CALFED Program managers and Science to identify key scientific uncertainties and help identify approaches to answering those uncertainties and integrating the answers into planning and implementation of projects in the Delta. The major focus being the Delta Improvement Package and the Delta Regional Profile. Gave presentations on the Delta and CALFED programs and projects to BDPAC and its subcommittees, stakeholder groups and educational groups through the year and region to ensure support and integration of CALFED and local programs in the Delta.

Public Information and Outreach

Six news releases and two advisories were sent out to announce public meetings, program and project events and other relevant information; Assisted with three releases sent by other agencies.

Numerous briefings and presentations were given at water conferences and related events sponsored by various interests throughout the year.

Eight electronic newsletters were completed, posted on the web and distributed to the list serve.

Continuous content updates to web site. New additions include: separate legislative page, new tribal web pages; "CALFED in the News" media articles related to the Program added as a new feature; new science board pages added.

Updated the CALFED General Brochure

Bay-Delta Authority and Public Advisory Committee

Supported enactment of the California Bay-Delta Authority Act, Federal authorization of the Program, additional state and federal financing of the California Bay-Delta Authority Program.

Supported 6 meetings for the Bay-Delta Authority. Coordinated presentations, drafted meeting notices and resolutions, and coordinated with agencies to perform actions directed by the Authority.

Assisted BDPAC in their role as advisors to the Authority, the CALFED Program, and the implementing agencies. Supported 5 meetings of the overall nine subcommittees, which assist the BDPAC by focusing on individual Program areas and elements: Delta Levees and Habitat, Drinking Water, Ecosystem Restoration, Environmental Justice, Steering Committee, Watershed, Water Supply, Water Use Efficiency, and Working Landscapes.

Environmental Justice

Established the first Environmental Justice Special Session at annual CBDA Science Conference entitled, "Data and Advocacy – What is the role for Environmental Justice?"

Worked with the Watershed Program and California Department of Fire and Forestry Protection to produce GIS data sets and eventual mapping of key CALFED project areas in EJ and Tribal communities.

Initiated collaborative process design of Environmental Justice Guidelines including goals, objectives, and performance measures for each Program.

Conducted joint meeting with Working Landscapes Subcommittee to review and evaluate Program Plans

Conducted EJ subcommittee meetings in Oakland, in partnership with CALFED project grantee and North Richmond

Coordinated participation and involvement of EJ stakeholders in CALFED Finance Plan discussions and public meetings

Worked with ERP grantee - San Francisco Estuary Institute, on a steering committee for CALFED's Fish Mercury Project examining mercury contamination in the Bay Delta fishes and increasing related public awareness, outreach and education to affected communities.

Tribal Coordination

Established part-time Tribal/Environmental Justice Intern to assist Tribal Coordinator.

Tribal Briefing were conducted, in coordination with the Bureau of Reclamation and Department of Water Resources:

- April 2004-A field tour of Upper San Joaquin Basin Storage Investigation (USJBSI) proposed project sites was provided to tribes impacted by this project. An overview of the tribal coordination on USJRBSI to date was provided by Frank Perniciaro, Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation), Native Affairs Office. Reclamation Consultant, Bill Swanson, MWH gave an overview of the CALFED program and the reason Reclamation is studying storage of San Joaquin River Water. The following issues and concerns were brought up by the tribes: the need for proper tribal consultation protocol; tribes should consider advocating for an amendment to the Central Valley Project Improvement Act (CVP) to provide for the use of CVP water in this watershed; for Reclamation to be honest and up front, if tribes are not going to benefit, tell them; non-Indians need to listen and understand the tribes value system; projects such as these encourage urban sprawl and increases environmental degradation; Reclamation should assess this project from the perspective of historic climate changes in the area; local governments do not always consider the environmental or archaeological/cultural impacts in their communities; tribes will not benefit from USJRBSI ; involve local landowners in USJRBSI and; this area has historical, sacred and cultural significance to the tribes and by inundating the area is a grave concern to the tribes.
- October 2004 - An overview of the Upper San Joaquin Basin Storage Investigation (USJBSI) was provided to tribes impacted by the project. According to North Fork Rancheria, MWH did an excellent job explaining the nuances of each storage option. The following issues and concerns were brought up by the tribes: further discussion needs to take place regarding the assignment of firm supply of water to contractors and the ability to subcontract from these contractors; Big Sandy Rancheria on the issue of conjunctive management would want to be considered for access to this new quantity of clean water; North Fork Rancheria is beginning to notice water quality issues that will affect future water supplies and are impacting the health of the Willow Creek Watershed, which is a major tributary to the San Joaquin River; "under the list of "cooperating agencies", add tribes, FERC, Indian Health Service and State Historical Preservation Office; discussion from Reclamation to talk about the need for a formal MOU between Reclamation and the tribes that 1) have an interest in the studies and 2) are in the USJBSI project area. The general consensus was that more gatherings like this one would be beneficial to the local tribes.

An official letter from the Bureau of Reclamation was sent out to tribes to formalize the MOU regarding the USJBSI.

- March 2004 -The Bureau of Reclamation and Department of Water Resources conducted an overview of Economic and Social Considerations in Reclamation's Feasibility Studies. The meeting was held at the Colusa Indian Rancheria. Tribal issues and concerns included:: outmigration; education; traditional medicinal plants; transportation; health; community viability and other. The meeting was held at the Colusa Indian Rancheria
- July 2004- A meeting was held with the Winnemem Wintu Tribe, the Bureau of Reclamation and CBDA's Environmental Justice Coordinator to discuss the issues of the tribe. Action items for Reclamation: 1) Flow Chart of Section 106 process with annotations of when the Winnemem Wintu can have input; 2) Notes of the two day meetings and tour; Fish Study including McCloud River Analysis; 3) Copies of the 1941 Act regarding the acquisition of Indian lands for the Central Valley Project and the 1937 Act authorizing Shasta Dam; 4) a List of Cultural Resources Laws, 5) express to Assistant Solicitor Alf Brandt the concern that the Winnemem Wintu have about the effects, on federal recognition, believed to have been caused by the 1981 Indian Cemetery transfer to BLM; 6) NCA to search Red Bluff realty files for information on Indian lands or Winnemem Wintu documents, and share information by the first week of August; 7) provide complete set of inundation maps for the SLWRI. Shasta area inventory report which includes inundation maps for the lake area will be provided to the Winnemem Wintun in the August 11th workshop.
- September 12, 2004 - The Winnemem Wintu conducted a "ceremonial war dance" at Shasta Dam. The war dance was defined as a "religious and sacred ceremony" and that the Winnemem Wintu had no intent to be close to any (restricted access) structures or facilities at the Dam. Negotiations between Reclamation and the Winnemem Wintu took place to obtain a permit to hold the ceremonial war dance. A 12-minute video was made of the ceremonial war dance and shown at several venues in the Bay Area and Sacramento.

General tribal correspondence and meetings held for outreach and CALFED information.

- Presentation on CALFED tribal program to Lake County Hinthl Environmental Resource Consortium.
- Tribal Coordinator invited to Big Valley Rancheria Water Rights meeting to discuss tribal water rights strategies with County of Lake.
- Attended monthly Statewide Native American Liaison's meetings to discuss broad issues of tribes within the state agencies. Participated in the coordination of the annual California Indian Days at the State Capitol. Organized with CBDA staff in setting up an outreach CALFED booth at CA Indian Days. A slide show of the event is posted on the CBDA tribal web page.
- Share and disseminate relevant tribal water information to state water agencies upon request.
- In coordination with Department of Water Resources and the Native American Heritage Commission a collaborative grant workshop postcard and mail-out to federally recognized Tribes and non-federally recognized Tribes was done using each other's resources.

CBDA – Tribal Relations hosted a Tribal Briefing on Senate Bill 18, Chapter 905 Burton – Traditional tribal Cultural Places. This bill was passed in September 2004. The briefing was held to gather additional comments from tribes on Tribal Consultation Guidelines (Interim), a supplement to Senate Bill 18. A panel discussion among the California State Native American Heritage Commission with the State Office of Planning and Research was held with tribes to discuss in detail questions and comments to be incorporated into SB 18. Approximately 50 tribal representatives and other interested parties attended.

Coordinated four Tribal Grant Workshops with CBDA, DWR, Bureau of Reclamation, and State Water Resources Board To tribes in Northern, Central and Southern California. Three of the workshops were held on tribal land and the fourth off –reservation. The tribes found the grant workshops useful and plan on applying during the next grant cycles, especially after being more informed how these grants can benefit the tribes.

Completed CBDA Tribal Web page http://calwater.ca.gov/tribal/tribal_home.shtml

Initiated efforts to develop a tribal reference library. There are several videos, books, and water investigation studies available.

Worked closely with Department of Health Services on establishing tribal representation on Steering Committee for the SF Estuary Fish Mercury Project.

Water Management

Participated in activities on common assumptions. Common assumptions is developing a unified set of data and modeling tools for conducting water management analyses including the Storage Investigations modeling.

Coordinated activities on the update of the State Water Plan (Bulletin 160) and the CALFED Regional Profiles.

Coordinated activities for the four-year comprehensive review of the water use efficiency element. This activity included agricultural and urban conservation, as well as recycling and desalination.

Coordinated planning activities that optimize conveyance in the Delta area that will improve water supply reliability for in-Delta and export users, support continuous improvement in drinking water quality, and complement ecosystem restoration.

Annual & Multi-year Program Plans

The Authority approved the Multi-year Program Plans in August 2004.

Annual Report on Progress and Balance

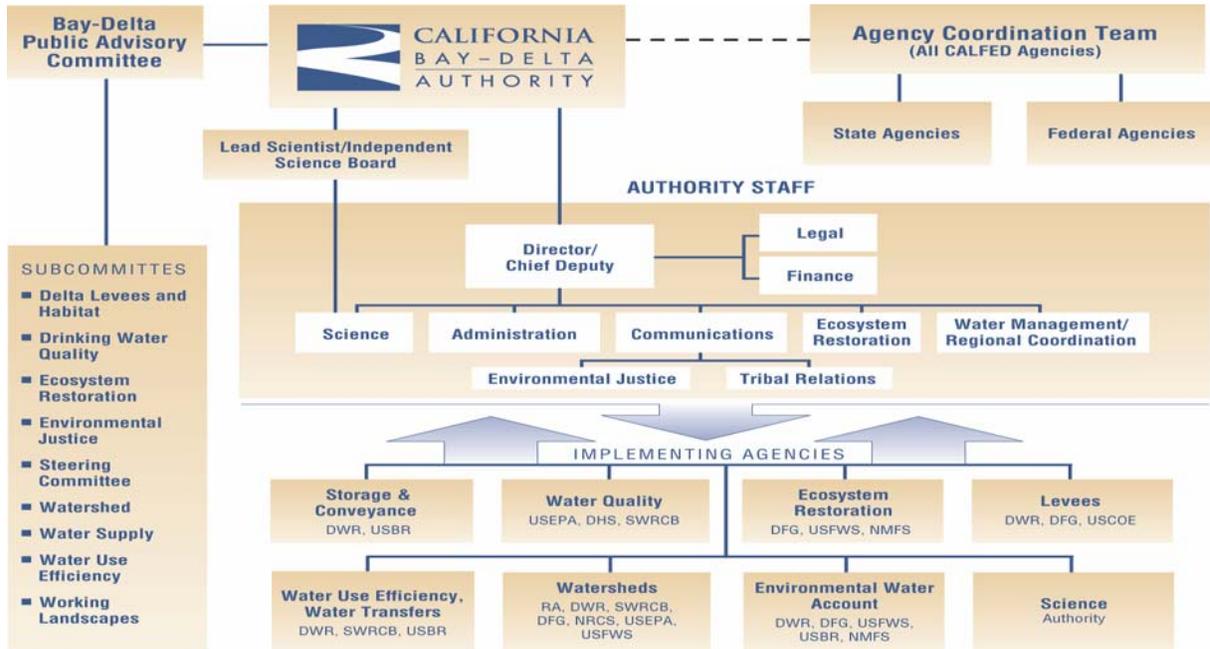
The Authority approved the Statement of Progress and Accomplishments for the 2004 Annual Report to the Legislature and Congress in October 2004.

The Annual Report was completed Mid March, 2005. The report was distributed to CBDA's general mailing list and the state legislature.

TASKS NOT ON SCHEDULE: 1

Public Information and Outreach: Fact sheets on specific Program or project information were not completed and posted on the website. Resources not available to dedicate to this effort.

Program Structure



Agency	Roles and Responsibilities
California Bay Delta Authority (Authority)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oversight and coordination of all 24 state and federal agencies and manage the science program element. Develop policies and make decisions at program milestones and provide direction to achieve balanced implementation, integration, and continuous improvement in all program areas. Tracks progress of all Program projects and activities and assesses overall achievement of the goals and objects of the CALFED Program. Modify as needed, the Program's timelines and activities. Communicate with Congress and the Legislature on Program progress, answer legislative inquiries, review and respond to legislative proposals, and review and submit legislative proposals.
California Bay-Delta Public Advisory Committee (BDPAC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BDPAC advises and makes recommendations to the Authority on issues related to the Program.
BDPAC Subcommittees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide advice and recommendation to BDPAC on issues related to the Program. Addresses stakeholder and agency concerns. Gathers information, conducts research, analyzes relevant issues and facts, and drafts proposed position papers for deliberation by BDPAC or subcommittee.
Implementing Agencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Responsible for implementing the programs as well as integrating science, environmental justice, and tribal relations within the programs.
Agency Coordination Team (ACT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All CALFED agencies. The ACT is a forum for coordination and cooperation for the implementing agencies to discuss Program issues.

Major Activities

Financing

Finance Plan –Year 6 will focus on continued implementation of the Finance Plan. Areas of focus will be on federal funding priorities, new revenue sources associated with water user fees/contributions and possible state revenues. Staff will also focus on further benefits assessment and cost allocations for parts the program ready for analysis such as San Joaquin Drainage, Suisun Marsh Staff will follow key program evaluations such as the Levee Comprehensive evaluation to prepare for a benefits analysis and possible water user fee.

Funding: GF

Schedule: Dependent on actions in Year 5 regarding new fees and state revenues

Program Tracking

Program Tracking - Continued maintenance of the database for Program wide expenditures.

Funding:

Schedule: Ongoing

Cross-Cut Budget – Several times during the year, Authority staff update the comprehensive state/federal Cross-Cut budget report which is used for the CALFED Annual Report, the Governor’s Budget and the Federal Budget. The Cross-Cut budget covers prior-year actuals, current-year estimates, and budget-year proposals which identify, by responsible agency, all expenditures within the state and federal governments used to achieve the objective identified within the CALFED Program.

Funding: GF

Schedule: January, March, July, Sept to reflect state and federal proposed budgets and final budgets

Regional Coordination

Regional Coordination - Continue to communicate with local interests, coordinate the concerns and interests of local stakeholders with the implementing agencies, work with the CALFED Program and projects in a region to increase integration between the program elements (such as the Delta Improvements Package), and assure that implementation addresses regional goals and objectives at the same time that statewide goals are addressed. Continue to work with the Independent Science Board to help identify key scientific uncertainties relative to projects and programs in the Delta, and help design a systematic approach for incrementally answering those questions and integrating the answers into planning and implementation. Year 5 efforts will focus on further developing regional information to reach state and federal legislators who need to understand the Program and its accomplishments and benefits to all regions of California.

Funding: GF

Schedule: Ongoing.

Regional Coordination - Continuing involvement on the Northern Sacramento Valley Water Forum as a co-chair, which is a volunteer group of representatives from seven valley counties. The focus of this group is the general education of the public on water and resource related issues and topics through the provision of panel discussions of experts in the topic area.

Funding: GF

Schedule: Ongoing.

Regional Profiles - In coordination with the Bulletin 160, Regional Profiles will be prepared and presented to the Bay-Delta Authority for their consideration.

Funding: GF

Schedule: Completion of draft regional profiles August 2004

Public Information and Outreach

Information and Outreach – Continue to develop outreach materials including fact sheets on specific projects and topics within the Program. Presentations are continually developed for various public groups on the CALFED Program with an average of 12-20 per year. Opportunities to display Program information through conferences and exhibits will be pursued in creative ways due to budget constraints.

Funding: GF

Schedule: Ongoing.

Internet Communication – Efforts continue to change the web page into a dynamic and user-friendly format where the latest information can be obtained regularly and with ease to the user. All new products developed are placed on the web for public access. A new tribal web section is now available.

Funding: GF

Schedule: Ongoing

Information and Outreach – Electronic newsletters (e-news) will continue to be prepared and distributed via a listserve giving current updates on program happenings, specific projects and public meetings to the public and interested parties. More information can be found at <http://calwater.ca.gov/Newsroom/NewsroomMonthlyUpdate.shtml>. Interested parties can sign up for e-news on the list serves.

Funding: GF

Schedule: Average 10 per year.

Information Dissemination – Continue to maintain sixteen list serves and use the list serves to send out program information specific to the requestors' interests via email. Subscribers can add, delete or change their information through the web site. Information options and sign-up available at <http://calwater.ca.gov/ListServe/listsab-1.asp?Choice=1>.

Funding: GF

Schedule: Ongoing

Bay-Delta Authority and Public Advisory Committee

Authority and BDPAC Support – The Authority and BDPAC will continue to meet every two months to provide oversight for the CALFED Program and to make recommendations to the Governor and implementing agencies regarding Program integration and balance. BDPAC will meet regularly with implementing agencies and will provide advice and recommendations regarding coordination with the CALFED Program.

Funding: GF

Schedule: Bi-Monthly.

Subcommittee Support – BDPAC subcommittees will continue to meet regularly and provide advice and recommendations to BDPAC. The subcommittees are a useful and important forum to discuss stakeholder concerns and provide public transparency. The staff of the Authority will continue to attend subcommittee meetings along with the implementing agencies to hear public concerns and provide updates and information.

Funding: GF

Schedule: Monthly.

Meeting Support – Support for the Authority and BDPAC meetings each year involve preparing agendas in coordination with the Chair, Authority staff, individual program managers and the Agency Coordinating Team (representing the 24 state and federal CALFED agencies), compiling staff reports and presentations, duplicating meeting materials, and distributing to members as well as more than 600 persons who have requested non-electronic copies of the meeting packets. In addition, program managers and Authority staff prepare and distribute agendas and meeting notices for the nine BDPAC subcommittee meetings, each of which meets at least 10 times a year. They also prepare meeting materials and summaries, manage correspondence, coordinate audio-visuals and IT support for all Authority and BDPAC functions, and perform other duties in support of the subcommittees.

Funding: GF

Schedule: Bi-Monthly.

Environmental Justice

CalEPA EJ Action Plan – CBDA is a member of the Interagency Working Group that will coordinate CalEPA EJ Action Plan. The plan provides recommendations for CalEPA and other agencies to address precautionary approaches, cumulative impacts, public participation/ community capacity building, and incorporation of EJ in the Governor's Environmental Action Plan.

Funding:

Schedule: ongoing

California Department of Health Services Environmental Health Tracking Program (EHTP) – CALFED is a member of the planning consortium that seeks to develop a comprehensive plan for a standards-based, coordinated, and integrated system, at the state level, that enables public health actions through linkage, monitoring, reporting, and communication of health effects and environmental hazards and exposure data.

Funding:

Schedule: ongoing

Technical Assistance – Coordinate Environmental Justice concerns among the implementing agencies and provide outreach and technical assistance. Part of the oversight process at the Authority, the EJ coordinator and the implementing agencies develop and implement strategies to meet annual and multi-year objectives in the multi-year program plans by developing EJ goals and objectives for each program area.

Funding:

Schedule: ongoing.

Environmental Justice Outreach – Design and coordination of next phase of Lake County Tribal EJ Forum. Convene Regional EJ Subcommittee meetings in selected local communities within CALFED solution area. Conduct EJ workshops and training within the Authority and communities within CALFED solution area.

Funding:

Schedule: Tribal Forum date? Workshops scheduled beginning of November 2004 through June 2005 depending on the availability of funds. Local EJ Subcommittees scheduled for September 2004 through May 2005 depending on the availability of funds.

Annual Report of Progress and Balance

Progress and Accomplishments – BDPAC and the Authority will discuss the progress of the Program and whether its implementation is balanced across all Program areas.

Funding: GF

Schedule: BDPAC – September 2004, Authority – October 2004.

Annual Report – Year 5 Annual Report will be prepared, printed and distributed. The report will describe achievements, successes, and program gaps. The annual report uses information contained in the program plans to help identify balanced progress in meeting Program goals. The Authority submits the annual report to the Legislature and Congress

Funding: GF

Schedule: March 2006.

Tribal Relations

Tribal Outreach – Outreach to tribes will include tribal briefings, workshops and participation at tribal environmental conferences throughout California. Continue updating the development of the tribal section of the CALFED website and the development of tribal-specific CALFED brochures and outreach information to help tribes participate in CALFED grant programs. Continue recruiting tribal participation and representation on various water-related committee's that affect tribal water resources.

Funding: GF

Schedule: CALFED presentation at California Indian Summit, September 2005; CALFED outreach booth at Annual USEPA Tribal Conference, October 2005; Storage Project Tribal Briefing meetings – quarterly.

Technical Assistance – Continue to work with implementing agencies on CALFED water projects that impact tribal trust assets and to identify and develop methods to address and mitigate environmental impacts. Provide technical assistance to implementing agencies on opportunities to engage the tribes in implementation activities. Continue the development of the tribal reference section within the California Bay-Delta Authority library. Coordinate with CALFED Drinking Water Quality Program Manager's to provide technical assistance on public water systems and wastewater treatment facilities.

Funding: GF

Schedule: - ongoing

Statewide Initiative Policy – Work with the Statewide Native American Liaison's to develop a draft Statewide Initiative Policy on Working with California Indian Tribes for state agencies.

Funding: GF

Schedule: start-up in April, 2005, draft completed within one year.

Tribal Training – Develop training and education materials for CALFED Program staff, the Authority, and implementing agencies to understand tribal government issues and concerns. Coordinate with CALFED Drinking Water Quality program to provide training on public water and wastewater system treatment technology. Coordinate with State Water Resources Board to obtain funding to conduct Tribal Government training on working with state water agencies.

Funding: GF

Schedule: CALFED Drinking Water Quality Training - October/December
Tribal Government Training - June/July.

Grant Opportunities – Continue outreach on CALFED grants. Coordinate with other implementing agencies to conduct grant workshops in a timely manner and to have implementing agencies provide technical assistance where needed.

Funding: GF

Schedule:

Directed Actions – Initiate dialog with the Ecosystem Restoration and Watershed Programs to fund a Tribal Mercury Project designed to study fish and plants in Clear Lake that local tribes use for subsistence and traditional cultural practices.

FUNDING: GF

Schedule:

Water Management

Common Assumptions – Contribute to activities and data exchange for Commons Assumptions including activities on the plan formulation of the common assumption activities to develop a unified set of data and modeling tools for conducting water management analyses including the storage investigation modeling.

Funding: GF

Schedule: Summer 2006

Coordination with Bulletin 160 - Coordinate activities and exchange data between the Storage, Water Use Efficiency, Regional Profiles, and Bulletin 160.

Funding: GF

Schedule: Ongoing.

Coordination of the Four-year Comprehensive Review – This Water Use Efficiency element activity includes agricultural and urban conservation, as well as recycling and desalination.

Funding: GF

Schedule: Summer 2006

Delta Improvements Package - Coordinate activities of Drinking Water Quality and Conveyance programs through the Delta Improvements.

Funding: GF

Schedule: Ongoing.

Public Involvement and Outreach

Financing:

In recent months, staff has dedicated significant resources to working with agencies and stakeholders in an open and transparent process to discuss the issues regarding the costs and benefits in this Finance Plan. These conversations have taken place at BDPAC and the Authority, with BDPAC Subcommittees, and in a series of topic-focused public meetings with stakeholder and agency representatives.

Below is a schedule of the process used to develop the Finance Plan in 2004:

- June Authority Meeting -- Presented summary of expected cost estimates, available funding and unmet needs.
- July 8th BDPAC Meeting -- Presented updated funding targets and available funding, described process and schedule, and reviewed preliminary finance strategies.
- August 11th & 12th Authority Meeting -- Presented revised funding targets, discussed preliminary finance strategies, reviewed process and schedule, and highlighted issues.
- August through September – Met with agencies, stakeholders and public interests to identify funding issues and to the extent possible reach agreement on cost allocations.
- September 9th BDPAC Meeting – Presented and had in-depth discussion on Issue Papers. BDPAC meeting also served as public workshop to ensure broader input.
- September– Met with agencies, stakeholders and public interests to further discuss targets and possible cost-share arrangements.
- October 14th Authority Meeting – In-depth presentation on Draft Finance Plan for information and discussion.
- November 15th workshop – Presented and received comments on Final Draft Finance Plan
- December 9th Joint Authority/BDPAC Meeting – Final Finance Plan was presented to BDPAC and the Authority at their December 2004 joint meeting for comment by BDPAC and final approval by the Authority.

Staff is currently in the process of developing options to fill the Public share of costs for the Program as described in the Finance Plan and options to fill the Water Users share of the Ecosystem Restoration Program. Below is a schedule of the process to be used in developing the options over the next few months:

- January 19th workshop – Staff will be discussing various options and receiving comments from stakeholders and members of the public.
- February 10th Joint Authority/BDPAC Meeting – Options will be presented to BDPAC and the Authority at their joint meeting for comment by BDPAC and the Authority.
- April/May – Options to be discussed and worked through the Legislature and Administration before the Governor's May Revise.

Annual and Multi-year Program Planning:

Each year the Authority oversees and coordinates the preparation of annual and multi-year program plans for the 11 CALFED program elements. Below is a schedule of the process that is used each year, with slight variations in dates, in developing the program plans:

- February 10th Joint Authority/BDPAC Meeting – The Authority and BDPAC receive the schedule and process for the program plans in the upcoming year.
- February – May – Comments on the draft plans are solicited from the BDPAC subcommittees and the public. BDPAC subcommittees discuss relevant program plans and help identify outstanding issues within that element. The subcommittees and members of the public are encouraged to ask questions of the implementing agency staff prior to submitting their comments and recommendations to BDPAC.
- April 13th – The Authority and BDPAC as well as members of the public, comment and recommend edits to the program plans.
- June 8th – Joint Authority/BDPAC Meeting – BDPAC makes a recommendation to the Authority and the Authority approves the program plans.

Tribal:

- April 2004- Reclamation/DWR conducted a field tour of Upper San Joaquin Basin Storage Investigation (USJBSI) for those tribes potentially impacted by this project.
- October 2004- Reclamation/DWR provided an overview of the Upper San Joaquin Basin Storage Investigation (USJBSI) to the potentially tribes affected by the project.
- March 2004 –Reclamation/DWR conducted an overview of Economic and Social Considerations in Reclamation Feasibility Studies.
- July 2004 - a meeting was held with the Winnemem Wintu Tribe, the Bureau of Reclamation and CBDA, Environmental Justice Coordinator to discuss the issues of the tribe.
- Presentation on CALFED tribal program to Lake County Hinthl Environmental Resource Consortium.
- Tribal Coordinator invited to Big Valley Rancheria Water Rights meeting to discuss tribal water rights strategies with County of Lake.
- Attended monthly Statewide Native American Liaison's meetings to discuss broad issues of tribes within the state agencies.
- Participated in the coordination of the annual California Indian Days at the State Capitol.
- Shared and disseminated relevant tribal water information to state water agencies upon request.
- In coordination with Department of Water Resources and the Native American Heritage Commission a collaborative grant workshop postcard and mail-out to federally recognized Tribes and non-federally recognized Tribes was done using each other's resources.
- Hosted a Tribal Briefing on Senate Bill 18, Chapter 905 Burton – Traditional tribal Cultural Places. Approximately 50 tribal representatives and other interested parties attended.
- Coordinated four Tribal Grant Workshops with CBDA, DWR, Bureau of Reclamation, and State Water Resources Board for tribes in Northern, Central and Southern California.

Funding

Oversight and Coordination (\$ in millions)	Yr 6	Yr 7	Yr 8	Yr 9	Total
State	\$7.5	\$7.5	\$7.5	\$7.5	\$30.0
Federal	\$4.2				\$4.2
Local					\$0.0
Water User					\$0.0
Available Funding Total	\$11.7	\$7.5	\$7.5	\$7.5	\$34.2
Finance Plan Targets	\$12.1	\$12.1	\$12.1	\$12.1	\$48.4
Unmet Needs	\$0.4	\$4.6	\$4.6	\$4.6	\$14.2

Funding By Task

Oversight and Coordination (\$ in millions)	Yr 6	Yr 7	Yr 8	Yr 9	Total
Executive/Legal/Contracts/Fiscal/HR/IT	\$10.04	\$5.79	\$5.79	\$5.79	\$27.41
Public Affairs	\$0.39	\$0.39	\$0.39	\$0.39	\$1.57
Environmental Justice	\$0.10	\$0.10	\$0.10	\$0.10	\$28.98
Support for BDPAC	\$0.02	\$0.02	\$0.02	\$0.02	\$0.07
Program Tracking	\$0.07	\$0.07	\$0.07	\$0.07	\$0.27
Regional Coordination	\$0.22	\$0.22	\$0.22	\$0.22	\$0.34
Finance Planning	\$0.21	\$0.21	\$0.21	\$0.21	\$0.82
Permit Coordination	\$0.61	\$0.61	\$0.61	\$0.61	\$2.45
Tribal Relations	\$0.08	\$0.08	\$0.08	\$0.08	\$3.27
Available Funding Total	\$11.7	\$7.5	\$7.5	\$7.5	\$34.2
Finance Plan Targets	\$12.1	\$12.1	\$12.1	\$12.1	\$48.4
Unmet Needs	\$0.4	\$4.6	\$4.6	\$4.6	\$14.2