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<u>Delta 2 Gates Fish Protection Demonstration Project</u> <u>Subject of CALFED Independent Science Panel Review</u>

WHAT: An Independent Science Panel has been formed by the CALFED Science

Program to review the 2 Gates Fish Protection Demonstration Project proposed for the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta by the Metropolitan Water

District of Southern California.

WHEN: Thursday, August 6

8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

WHERE: CALFED Bay-Delta Program offices

650 Capitol Mall, 5th Floor Sacramento, CA 95814

WHY: The 2 Gates Project has been proposed as an adaptive management

experiment using operable gates for protection of delta smelt and water

supply management.

HOW: Two temporary, removable gates would be placed in the central Delta to

manipulate flows in an effort to reduce entrainment of delta smelt at the water

export facilities. The independent scientific review will focus on the adequacy of information on which to justify the experiment, the plan for assessing project performance, and the likelihood of achieving the objectives of

the experiment.

WHO: Members of the review panel are:

Dr. Stephen Monismith of Stanford University

Dr. James J. Anderson of the University of Washington

Dr. Charles "Si" Simenstad of the University of Washington

Dr. Alan F. Blumberg of Stevens Institute of Technology (New Jersey)

Dr. Peter Goodwin of the University of Idaho

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