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Subject: EnvBaseline request for RPA action - Shasta reintro

Hi Jon,

As I mentioned to you earlier in person, I talked with Garwin about asking you to add a summary of the past/current state of the "Shasta reintroduction program" RPA action. Below is the text currently in the Environmental Baseline section (of the ROConLTO). Please provide a short summary paragraph. Let me know if you have any questions! THANKS!

RPA Action NF 4: Implementation of Pilot Reintroduction Program (Implementation of Pilot Reintroduction Program above Shasta Dam)

Pursuant to the RPA in the (NMFS) 2009 BiOp on the long-term operations of the CVP/SWP, DWR, Reclamation and the State and Federal Water Contractors shall complete all required actions, monitoring, and reporting to guide establishment of an additional population of winter-run Chinook salmon and identify the benefits and risks of reintroduction for spring-run Chinook salmon and steelhead in the McCloud River and/or upper Sacramento River. This action is a Priority 1 NMFS recovery action and is required by Action Suite 5 Near-Term Fish Passage Actions of the NMFS (2009) BiOp. Additional updated information related to implementation is available in the Salmon Resiliency Strategy (California Natural Resources Agency 2017).

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