

Re-initiation of Consultation on Long Term Operations of the Central Valley Project and State Water Project Integrated Biological Opinion Preparation Schedule

Updated with Reclamation's April 2, 2019 edits

Track Changes are from Reclamation. **Blue are new NMFS schedule ideas**

| Date | Task | Task |
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| | USFWS | NMFS |
| February 1 | Biological Assessment (BA) received, formal consultation initiated | BA received, formal consultation initiated |
| March 2 | Sufficiency reviews completed | - Sufficiency reviews completed - Drafting effects analysis |
| March 12 | Meeting with Water Contractors to discuss BA comments | Meeting with Water Contractors to discuss BA comments |
| | | (March 28) NMFS Effects Analysis 1 st internal draft |
| April 8-12 | Bay Delta Fish & Wildlife Office (BDFWO) Internal Admin Draft BiOp Review | NMFS drafting Integration and Synthesis |
| April 12 | -Transmit Administrative Draft Effects Analysis for Delta Smelt/Critical Habitat (Effects Analysis) to Peer Review and Water Contractors -Meeting with Water Contractors to discuss Draft Effects Analysis | NMFS pens down on 1 st draft Integration and Synthesis |
| April 15 | -revised BA available from BOR | -revised BA available from BOR -integration and synthesis complete -potential opportunity to begin initial review by BOR, SOL, FWS NMFS shares Analytical Approach with Reclamation, DWR and Water Users NMFS begins to draft Incidental Take Statement |
| April 26 | Receive peer review comments | (April 22-26) Address Program Manager and Lead Biologist Review Comments Coordinators review ITS |
| April 30 | | NMFS Internal: Brief Barry on Effects and Integration and Synthesis |
| May 3 or May 10 | | Possible report out to Paul Souza and Ernest on key issues that come out of the April 30, Barry Thom Briefing |
| May 1-8 | Department of Interior Legal Review | |

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| May 6-10 | | <p>Internal quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) review of Draft Effects Analysis</p> <p>-latest date to begin initial review by BOR, SOL, FWS</p> <p>-face to face meeting to discuss potential terms and conditions (either in Sacramento on May 6 or Monterey May 7-10)</p> <p>ACWA: NMFS overview of Analytical Approach</p> |
| May 8-12 | Bay Delta Fish and Wildlife Office (BDFWO) Revise | |
| May 13-20 | Regional Office Review | Revise draft Effects Analysis to address comments from QA/QC reviews |
| May 20-23 | BDFWO Revise | Prepare Draft Biological Opinion (BiOp) for Peer Review and review by BOR, California Department of Water Resources (DWR), and Water Contractors |
| May 20 | Meetings with BOR, DWR and Water Contractors | Meetings with BOR, DWR and Water Contractors |
| May 23-31 | BOR, DWR, Water Contractors review | - Peer review of draft Effects Analysis - BOR, DWR, Water Contractors Review per WIIN Act 4004, (2nd review for BOR, SOL, FWS) |
| May 31-June 14 | BDFWO revise and prepare final BiOp | Final QA/QC reviews, revise and prepare final BiOp |
| June 15-17 | Final BiOp Issued (Saturday June 15, Monday June 17 rollout?) | Final BiOp issued (Monday June 17) |