Chapter 8 Individual Comments

This section contains copies of the comment letters received from individuals; Table 8-1 lists those letters. Each letter is followed by responses to the comments presented in each letter. Responses to comments are numbered individually in sequence, corresponding to the numbering assigned to comments within each comment letter. The responses are prepared in answer to the full text of the original comment.

Table 8-1.	Individual Comments Received on the Draft EIS/EIR and the Draft Supplemental
EIS/Revise	ed EIR

Comment				
Letter No.	Date	Agency/Organization	Name	
Draft EIS/EIR (July 2003)				
I1	08/05/03		Ed and Sue Shaw	
I2	08/11/03	Quail Run Ranch	Horace and Peggy Crawford	
I3	09/09/03	River Partners	Dan Efseaff, Restoration Ecologist	
I4	09/11/03	M. Kevin McRae, CPA, Inc.	Kevin McRae	
I5	09/14/03		Betsy Reifsnider, Bob Schlichting	
I6	09/18/03		Dinda Evans	
I7	09/20/03		Fatemeh Zafarnejad	
I8	09/22/03		Craig Irwin, hydrologist/geomorphologist	
I9	09/22/03	Bradley Owens, Watershed Planner	Bradley Owens	
I10	09/25/03		Mark Post	
I11	10/07/03	Shasta Fly Fishers	Bob Madgic, President	
I12	10/09/03		Duane Milleman	
I13	10/13/03		Jeanette Alosi	
I14	10/15/03		Tom and Angela Kraemer	
I15	10/15/03		Kathryn A. Patterson	
I16	10/16/03		Jim Dwyer	
I17	10/16/03		Suellen Rowlison, RN	
I18	10/17/03		Patricia Puterbaugh	

Comment Letter No.	Date	Agency/Organization	Name	
I19	no date		Traci Sheehan	
Draft Suppler	nental EIS/	Revised EIR (February 2005)		
None				

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August 5, 2003

Ms. Mary Marshall Bureau of Reclamation 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento CA 95825

Mr. Jim Canaday State Water Resources Control Board 1001 I Street Sacramento CA 95814

Subject: Review and Comments on the Battle Creek Salmon and Steelhead Restoration Project (Restoration Project) draft Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) dated July 3, 2003

This is our response to the EIS/EIR for the Restoration Project

We are the land owners of 80 acres of property fronting on Wildcat Road. Within our property are significant sections of the steel pipeline and pipeline footings, the concrete discharge box, and a section of the open canal.

We are in strong support of the Restoration Project.

We are in strong support of the five dam removal alternative

We do not support the no dam removal alternative.

We disagree with statements in the EIS/EIR that there has not nor will not be any significant negative environmental impact to the removal of Wildcat Canal. We request that words be added or changed to state that there already has been negative impact by the Wildcat Canal being shut down and more impact in a permanent shut down.

As land owners we are very concerned with the specific scope of the removal and restoration work on our property and statements about what we as the land owners want. I predict that there will be those who have met with us in the past who feel that we now want something different. The reason is that nowhere in the document, as we can see, is their discussion about a sharing in the savings for leaving some things as they are now.

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Our basic position is that all of the improvements for the purpose of conveying water through Wildcat Canal/pipeline must be removed from our property, and the property brought back to near its original state prior to (1) the canal being dug, (2) the concrete footing being poured, and (3) installation of the steel pipeline or mitigated to our satisfaction. This means either "Remove and Restore" or "Mitigate".

Remove and Restore by:

- 1. Removing all of the steel pipe
- 2. Removing all of the concrete piers
- 3. Removing all of the wooden pipe supports
- 4. Removing all of the miscellaneous wood that has been left abandoned along the pipeline
- 5. Removing all of the steel walkways and handrails.
- 6. Removing all of the concrete discharge structure.
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- 8. Reestablish acceptable drainage patterns.
- 9. Protect and refurbish the gravel road which runs alongside the open section of the canal.
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- 11. Re-seed the canal area and plant native shrubs
- 12. Cut down any still standing trees that have died along the canal since 1996 and eliminate this safety hazard.
- 13. Find a mitigation measure, acceptable to the land owners, for the shelf (scar) that was created by blasting away parts of the pristine basalt cliff face to construct a surface on which to install the pipeline along the cliffs.
- 14. Legally abandon the easement through our property
- 15. Protect and maintain the seedlings and re-seeding until growth is assured.

....or Alternative Mitigation

Share with us on a 50-50 basis the dollar savings to the project by us accepting all items 'as is' except for items 1 and 5 which must be done in either case. Under this mitigation alternative the Restoration Project saves substantial design and construction cost and we, as negatively affected land owners, receive offsetting compensation which we can put to good use in whatever ways we choose. We are prepared to develop, with the team, the particulars of this alternative within a memorandum of understanding. If your group does not support this particular way to save money while providing us the landowners to choose alternative mitigation, then please explain this offer in the final EIS/EIR and state the reason why it is not acceptable.

We are visualizing the possibility of using the old pipeline route as a base for developing a nature trail along the South wall of the canyon. This also will cost money to develop. If developed, this trail would provide access from which to view the beautiful pristine canyon and Battle Creek

Let's work together in a win win solution for the parties involved.

We look forward to meeting with your staff to discuss this in further detail.

Ed Shaw, Sel Sharr Sue Shaw Sue Shaw

Comment Letter I1—Ed and Sue Shaw, Palo Cedro, CA (August 5, 2003)

Response to Comment I1-1

This comment has been noted. Reclamation and the State Water Board thank the reviewers for support of the Five Dam Removal Alternative.

Response to Comment I1-2

The impact on biological resources from closure of Wildcat Canal is discussed under Impact 4.2-12 and was determined to be less than significant because the woody riparian vegetation along the canal was found not to provide significant habitat value. However, a visual impact could occur from the loss of vegetation resulting from closure of the canal. Therefore, a new impact, Impact 4.8-4, has been added to this Final EIS/EIR. This impact analyzes the loss of aesthetic resources along Wildcat Canal resulting from implementation of the Restoration Project. The impact was determined to be less than significant because the site is not visible to a large number of sensitive viewers. Therefore, no additional mitigation would be required. For more information regarding landowner concerns, see Master Response F in Chapter 2 in this volume.

The current dewatered status of Wildcat Canal is a result of implementing the Interim Flow Agreement. As indicated under the section entitled Environmental Baseline in the introduction to Chapter 4 in Volume I and in Master Response F in Chapter 2 of this volume, the environmental baseline conditions with respect to flow conditions do not include those resulting from the Interim Flow Agreement. With respect to Wildcat Canal, the baseline conditions used to analyze impacts in this document are those conditions present previous to the implementation of the Agreement. Therefore, the impacts resulting from the Interim Flow Agreement are not analyzed in this Final EIS/EIR. For more information, see Master Response F in Chapter 2 in this volume.

Response to Comment I1-3a

As noted in the project description for Wildcat Diversion Dam under Appurtenant Facility Removal in Chapter 3 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR, a portion of the pipeline, including miscellaneous metalwork, such as steel walkways and handrails, would be left in place at Juniper Gulch at the request of the landowner. All anchor bolts supporting the pipe would be cut off at the rock surface and the ends removed. For more information regarding landowner concerns, see Master Response F in Chapter 2 in this volume.

Response to Comment I1-3b

As described in Response to Comment I1-3a above, a portion of the Wildcat Pipeline and steel support framework, including miscellaneous metalwork, such as steel walkways and handrails, would be left in place at the request of the landowner. All anchor bolts supporting the pipe would be cut off at the rock surface and the ends removed.

The landowner also requests that the concrete piers along the pipeline alignment be removed from the site. Because of the remote location of these concrete piers and the difficulty associated with removing the concrete piers, these structures would be left in place; however, those that are unstable and pose a safety hazard would be removed. In addition, it is possible that more piers would be designated for removal pursuant to landowner discussions. All timber and steel supports would be removed. The protruding portions of any steel bolts embedded in the concrete piers (these bolts currently attach the steel support structure to the piers) would be cut off flush with the surface and removed. For more information regarding landowner concerns, see Master Response F in Chapter 2 in this volume.

Response to Comment I1-3c

See the response to Comment I1-3a.

Response to Comment I1-3d

State agencies, such as the State Water Board, are required to mitigate impacts resulting in changes to the physical environment compared with baseline conditions, which are defined as those existing at the time of the NOP for non-flow-related resources. Therefore, the lead agencies would not be required to return the project site to pre–Hydroelectric Project conditions by removing all miscellaneous wood along the pipeline. However, the removal of all wooden pipe supports is proposed. For more information regarding landowner concerns, see Master Response F in Chapter 2 in this volume.

Response to Comment I1-3e

See the response to Comment I1-3a.

Response to Comment I1-3f

As noted in the project description for Wildcat Diversion Dam under Appurtenant Facility Removal in Chapter 3 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR, the concrete lining would be broken up and buried in the canal as it is filled. The lead agencies intend to leave the concrete canal transition structure in place. State agencies, such as the State Water Board, are required to mitigate impacts resulting in physical changes compared with the baseline conditions, which are defined as those existing at the time of the NOP for non-flow-related resources. Therefore, they would not be required to return the project site to pre– Hydroelectric Project conditions. For more information regarding landowner concerns, see Master Response F in Chapter 2 in this volume.

Response to Comment I1-3g

In the project description for Wildcat Diversion Dam under Appurtenant Facility Removal in Chapter 3 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR, it is stated that the canals will be filled "with the adjacent canal bank material that came from the original canal excavation...Import of fill material would be minimized." It is also stated that any imported fill material would come from the project area. For more information regarding landowner concerns, see Master Response F in Chapter 2 in this volume.

Response to Comment I1-3h

In the project description for Wildcat Diversion Dam under Appurtenant Facility Removal in Chapter 3 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR, it is stated that "[t]he existing canal bank would be excavated to a depth that fills in the canal to the same height. This would result in a wide, slightly sloped surface that would prevent ponding, allow cross-slope drainage to continue downslope, allow vehicle access, and prevent animals from becoming trapped." The description goes on to show how natural drainage patterns would be maintained. A culvert would be installed to protect road stability as needed. For more information regarding landowner concerns, see Master Response F in Chapter 2 in this volume.

Response to Comment I1-3i

As noted in the project description for Wildcat Diversion Dam under Construction Considerations in Chapter 3 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR, "Existing roads would be regraded, graveled, repaired, or repaved if necessary."

Response to Comment I1-3j

State agencies, such as the State Water Board, are required to mitigate impacts resulting in physical changes compared with the baseline conditions, which are defined as those existing at the time of the NOP for non-flow-related resources. Therefore, they would not be required to return the project site to pre– Hydroelectric Project conditions by replacing trees damaged since original construction. For more information regarding landowner concerns, see Master Response F in Chapter 2 in this volume.

Response to Comment I1-3k

As noted in the project description for Wildcat Diversion Dam under Construction Considerations in Chapter 3 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR, permanent cutslopes would be shaped, graded, and vegetated with native plant seed as appropriate to ensure that the slopes would remain stable and do not allow turbid runoff to escape. For more information regarding landowner concerns, see Master Response F in Chapter 2 in this volume.

Response to Comment I1-3I

As noted in the project description for Wildcat Diversion Dam in Chapter 3 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR, Reclamation plans to remove the trees that have died as a result of the Interim Flow Agreement to facilitate road and canal earthwork.

Response to Comment I1-3m

Please see the response to Comment I1-3j.

Response to Comment I1-3n

State agencies, such as the State Water Board, are required to implement mitigation measures only for impacts resulting from implementation of the Restoration Project. The request to abandon easements along the property does not refer to an impact of the Restoration Project, but rather is a private landowner request. For more information regarding landowner concerns, see Master Response F in Chapter 2 in this volume.

Response to Comment I1-30

It is proposed that Reclamation and the State Water Board will compensate for permanent impacts on woody riparian habitat to ensure no net loss of habitat functions and values as discussed under the Mitigation Measure for Impact 4.2-1. With respect to aesthetics, Impact 4.8-4 identifies the impact from the loss of trees along the canal to be less than significant, which means no further mitigation is required. For more information regarding landowner concerns, see Master Response F in Chapter 2 in this volume.

Response to Comment I1-3p

Thank you for your comment; however, this comment is not related to the content of the EIS/EIR, but rather constitutes a request of the lead agencies implementing the project. For more information regarding landowner concerns, see Master Response F in Chapter 2 in this volume.

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August 11, 2003

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Mr. Jim Canaday State Water Resources Control Board 1001 I Street Sacramento CA 95814

Subject: Review and Comments on the Battle Creek Salmon and Steelhead Restoration Project (Restoration Project) Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) dated July 3, 2003

This is our response to the EIS/EIR for the Restoration Project.

We are the land owners of 63 acres of property fronting on Wildcat Road. Our property begins at the bridge on Wildcat Road over the North Fork of Battle Creek and runs upstream on the Tehama County side of the creek for approximately one mile. This property caries a Tehama County land classification of NR (Natural Resource) for its natural beauty. Some years ago, while Wildcat Canal still had running water, we decided to develop the property as a private wildlife sanctuary. The water in the open canal acted like a magnet to attract a variety of wildlife. We posted the land to keep out hunters and we built nesting sites and brush piles. We were well underway with the wildlife count steadily increasing when the water to Wildcat Canal was shut off. Within our property are significant sections of the open canal and the steel pipeline and pipeline footings.

We are in strong support of the Restoration Project.

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We do not support the no dam removal alternative.

We disagree with statements in the EIS/EIR that there has not nor will not be any significant negative environmental impact to the removal of Wildcat Canal. We request that words be added or changed to state that there already has been negative impact by the Wildcat Canal being shut down and more impact in a permanent shut down.

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Our basic position is that all of the improvements for the purpose of conveying water through Wildcat Canal/pipeline must be removed from our property, and the property brought back to near its original state as it was prior to (1) the canal being dug, (2) the concrete footing being poured, and (3) installation of the steel pipeline; or mitigated to our satisfaction. This means either "Remove and Restore" or "Mitigate".

Remove and Restore by:

- 1. Removing all of the steel pipe
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- 3. Removing all of the wooden pipe supports
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- 5. Removing all of the concrete lining from the lined portions of the canal
- 6. Backfill the canal with imported fill of a quality such that it can be seeded with native grass, shrubs, and tree seedlings. The proposal to fill the canal with rocks and earthen material from the up-slope side of the canal is not acceptable).
- 7. Reestablish the main natural drainage patterns, and install culverts as appropriate to protect the road and filled canal from water erosion.
- 8. Protect and refurbish the gravel road which runs alongside the open section of the canal.
- 9. Replace with seedlings the trees that have been removed and or damaged through the original construction, and operation of the system
- 10. Replace with seedlings the trees that have died after the sudden, and without notice and assessment, shutdown of the canal in about 1996.
- 11. Re-seed the canal area and plant native shrubs
- 12. Cut down the standing trees that have died along the easement since 1996 and eliminate this safety hazard.
- 13. Find a mitigation measure, acceptable to the land owners, for the shelf (scar) that was created by blasting away parts of the pristine basalt cliff face to construct a surface on which to install the pipeline along the cliffs.
- 14. Legally abandon the easement through our property
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Share with us on a 50-50 basis the dollar savings to the project by us accepting all items 'as is' except for items 1, 13, 14, and 15 which must be done in either case. Under this mitigation alternative the Restoration Project saves substantial design and construction cost and we, as negatively affected land owners, receive compensation which we can put to good use in whatever ways we choose to enhance the local environment. We are prepared to develop, with the team, the particulars of this alternative within a memorandum of understanding.

If your group does not support this particular way to save money while providing us the landowners to choose alternative mitigation such as described below, then please explain this offer in the final EIS/EIR and state the reason why it is not acceptable.

For your information, at this time we are exploring ourselves further ways to have a source of water on site for the wildlife, livestock, and fire protection now that wildcat canal is bone dry and this water attribute to the environment will be gone forever when the project moves ahead. This will take money as we will need to have electric power brought in and a system built to provide alternative habitat for the wildlife...

We also are visualizing the possibility of using the old pipeline route as a base for developing a nature trail along the South wall of the canyon. This also will cost money to develop. If developed, this trail would provide access from which to view the beautiful pristine canyon and Battle Creek

Let's work together in a win win solution for the parties involved.

We would be happy to meet with your staff to discuss this in further detail.

-your

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Comment Letter I2—Horace and Peggy Crawford, Walnut Creek, CA (August 11, 2003)

Response to Comment I2-1

Please see the response to Comment I1-1.

Response to Comment I2-2

Please see the response to Comment I1-2.

Response to Comment I2-3a

Please see the response to Comment I1-3a.

Response to Comment I2-3b

Please see the response to Comment I1-3b.

Response to Comment I2-3c

Please see the response to Comment I1-3a.

Response to Comment I2-3d

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Response to Comment I2-3e

Please see the response to Comment I1-3f.

Response to Comment I2-3f

Please see the response to Comment I1-3g.

Response to Comment I2-3g

Please see the response to Comment I1-3h.

Response to Comment I2-3h

Please see the response to Comment I1-3i.

Response to Comment I2-3i

Please see the response to Comment I1-3j.

Response to Comment I2-3j

State agencies, such as the State Water Board, are required to mitigate only impacts resulting from implementation of the Restoration Project. Closure of the canal is a result of the Interim Flow Agreement, not implementation of the Restoration Project. Therefore, Reclamation and the State Water Board are not required to mitigate impacts resulting from the closure of the canal in 1996, or other actions that may have occurred outside implementation of the Restoration Project. For more information regarding landowner concerns, see Master Response F in Chapter 2 in this volume.

Response to Comment I2-3k

Please see the response to Comment I1-3k.

Response to Comment I2-3I

Please see the response to Comment I1-31.

Response to Comment I2-3m

Please see the response to Comment I1-3j.

Response to Comment I2-3n

Please see the response to Comment I1-3n.

Response to Comment I2-30

As noted in the project description for Wildcat Diversion Dam under Appurtenant Facility Removal in Chapter 3 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR, the culvert under Wildcat Canal will be backfilled during construction of the Restoration Project.

Response to Comment I2-3p

Please see the response to Comment I1-30.

Response to Comment I2-3q

Please see the response to Comment I1-3p.

From:"Daniel Efseaff" <defseaff@riverpartners.org>To:<mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov>Date:9/9/03 8:26AMSubject:Battle Creek

Please consider the removal of all dams on Battle Creek on the EIR/EIS and increase flow for salmonids.

Sincerely,

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Comment Letter I3—Dan Efseaff, River Partners, Chico, CA (September 9, 2003)

Response to Comment I3-1

This comment refers to the Eight Dam Removal Alternative, which was not analyzed as an Action Alternative in this EIS/EIR because it did not meet a basic project objective to minimize the loss of hydroelectric power produced by the Hydroelectric Project. However, a comparison of the Eight Dam Removal Alternative to the Proposed Action was conducted outside of the NEPA/CEQA document to determine whether an additional alternative should be added to the EIS/EIR analyses based on a request from CBDA. This analysis took place following public circulation of the Draft EIS/EIR (July through October 2003). Based on the results of this analysis, it was concluded that the Eight Dam Removal Alternative did not constitute a feasible alternative; however, a discussion of the Eight Dam Removal Alternative was added to Chapter 3 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR as an alternative that was eliminated from further consideration. For additional information on why this alternative was not considered further, see Master Response B in this volume.

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Thursday, September 11, 2003

Ms. Mary Marshall Bureau of Reclamation 2800 Cottage Way Sacrameneto, CA 95825

Re: Battle Creek/Eagle Canyon: Remove Dams & Save Endangered Salmon and Steelhead

Dear Ms. Marshall:

Now is the oportunity to do the right thing. This is one of the few opportunities to restore drought resistant habitat for endangered salmon and steelhead. Hydroelectric relicensing is as you know very infrequent. Each license is granted for 30 to 50 years.

Please put fish habitat before PG&E's profits. Please support the drive to preserve, restore and enhance habitat values along Battle Creek. There are less environmentally costly alternate energy sources than PG&E's small antiquidated hydroelectric facilities there.

If only one obstacle remains on the creek, the benefits of restoration are minmalized. If the new fish ladders PG&E proposes silt-up or are destroyed again by flood debris, again there is a dam below a natural fish barrier. As well, the damage that would occur to Eagle Canyon to install the ladders in my oinion also helps to outweigh the purported benefits.

Please support removal of Eagle Canyon and other dams on Battle Creek or the public will be left with a \$62 million project that does not provide endangered winter-run chinook salmon with access to the most beneficial spawning habitat on it.

All that is possible should be done on Eagle Canyon and Battle Creek to ensure that the highest levels of salmon recovery are achieved.

Finally, the EIR is flawed and will be challenged in court, if it does not include a realistic "Remove All Dams Below Fish Barriers" alternative.

Yours truly,

Kerri MERO

Kevin McRae

SACRAMENTO-BANGKOK

Comment Letter I4—Kevin McRae, CPA, Sacramento, CA (September 11, 2003)

Response to Comment I4-1

The project objectives for the Restoration Project are twofold: to restore habitat for anadromous fish species and to minimize the loss of hydroelectric power generated by PG&E's existing Hydroelectric Project. PG&E is a publicly held company with financial obligations to its shareholders and customers. Its vested interests in the existing hydroelectric facilities must be considered in designing the approach to habitat restoration. Therefore, the Restoration Project is striving to reach a collaborative balance between the power generation needs of PG&E, as owner of the hydroelectric facilities, and the desire to restore Battle Creek's natural system for the benefit of anadromous fish. Several analyses have been completed to compare alternative sources of energy. None were found that were economically feasible, as reliable, or the same shape as the power generated by the Battle Creek system. Reclamation and PG&E have worked together with many other resource agencies to develop a project that supports the restoration and improvement of key habitat for anadromous fish species in Battle Creek.

Response to Comment I4-2

As indicated in Chapter 2 of this Final EIR/EIS, tailrace connectors and failsafe fish ladders will be constructed and installed to increase certainty about restoration components. Failsafe fish ladders incorporate features to ensure that they facilitate the safe passage of fish and meet the same performance criteria even under anticipated causes of failure. Particular attention in fish ladder design would be directed toward providing attraction flows through the range of instream flows needed by adult fish to move upstream. Ladder configurations known to provide reliable performance in the field would be used. The ladders would incorporate features to allow flow adjustment during abnormally low water conditions to ensure that effective passage conditions are maintained. Protective structures to minimize the potential for damage during floods would be included. The fish ladder design requirements have been structured to ensure that minimal damage to Eagle Canyon would occur. The relatively low height of the dams to be passed via a fish ladder, coupled with the conservative approach to their design, is expected to provide high passage reliability. In addition, the AMP (Terraqua, Inc. 2004) indicates that PG&E (the licensee) assumes all costs for ladder repairs and replacements necessary as a result of normal wear and tear, catastrophic damage, and any other type of damage and will ensure that the ladders meet failsafe criteria.

Response to Comment I4-3

This response assumes that the commentor is referring to the Eight Dam Removal Alternative, which includes the removal of Eagle Canyon, North Battle Creek, and Inskip Diversion Dams in addition to the five dams proposed under the Restoration Project's Proposed Action (i.e., the Five Dam Removal Alternative). As mentioned in Chapter 3 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR, the Eight Dam Removal Alternative was eliminated from further consideration because it did not meet the objective of the Restoration Project to minimize the loss of hydroelectric power.

With respect to the comment to remove the Eagle Canyon Diversion Dam, specifically, removal of this dam was analyzed in this EIS/EIR under the Six Dam Removal Alternative. Many factors were considered when determining which dams to leave in place and which to remove, including the accessibility of the dams, the incremental biological benefits, and the maintenance of a reliable Hydroelectric Project. Although there is a certain amount of biological uncertainty associated with leaving any of the dams in place, it is expected that the fish facilities constructed at each of these dams would provide safe fish passage comparable to the conditions that would occur if the dams were removed. Much research has gone into designing state-of-the-art fish passage facilities at each of the dams that would be left in place, including Eagle Canyon Diversion Dam. All fish ladder and fish screen designs were approved by the fishery agencies (i.e., DFG and NOAA Fisheries). Therefore, removal of the Eagle Canyon Diversion Dam would not represent a significant improvement in habitat or passage conditions over those predicted for the Five Dam Removal Alternative.

Because the incremental biological benefit of removing an additional dam would be small, further consideration was given to other factors in selecting the Proposed Action, namely, the ability of an alternative to minimize the loss of hydroelectric power and maintain a reliable Hydroelectric Project. Because the Five Dam Removal Alternative minimizes the loss of hydroelectric power, provides a lower cost alternative to PG&E's customers, and maintains a more reliable Hydroelectric Project, it was selected as the Proposed Action. For more information regarding the effects of the Action Alternatives on hydropower and system reliability, see Section 4.16 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR. For additional information regarding the factors considered in selecting which dams to remove as well as a discussion of the Eight Dam Removal Alternative, see Master Response B in this volume.

Response to Comment I4-4

See the response to Comment I3-1.

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September 14, 2003

Ms. Mary Marshall Bureau of Reclamation 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825

Dear Ms. Marshall:

Please accept this letter as our response to the <u>Battle Creek Restoration Project</u> <u>draft Environmental Impact Statement and Report</u>. We strongly support the "Remove All Dams Below the Fish Barriers" alternative.

According to fish biologists, Battle Creek provides the best opportunity to restore endangered salmon and steelhead runs in the Sacramento Valley. Fish ladders and screens are expensive and not always effective. The best alternative is to remove all the dams – including Eagle Canyon dam – below Battle Creek's natural fish barrier. As fishermen and taxpayers, we believe this is the most economical and environmentally sound alternative.

We also note that federal and state law requires restoration of endangered species habitat and sufficient water flows to maintain healthy fisheries. Battle Creek's endangered salmon and steelhead runs certainly qualify. Only the "Remove All Dams Below the Fish Barriers" alternative will rectify this long standing injustice.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Betsy Reifsnider Bob Schlichting 1344 Vallejo Way Sacramento, CA 95818

Comment Letter I5—Betsy Reifsnider and Bob Schlichting, Sacramento, CA (September 14, 2003)

Response to Comment I5-1

Reclamation and the State Water Board thank the commentor for providing input. As indicated in the response to Comment I3-1, an alternative analyzing the removal of all diversion dams (i.e., the Eight Dam Removal Alternative) was not analyzed in the EIS/EIR because it does not meet the objective of the Restoration Project to minimize the loss of energy generated by the Hydroelectric Project. Although the Eight Dam Removal Alternative was analyzed outside the NEPA/CEQA document, the results of this analysis have been summarized in Chapter 3 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR. For more information on the Eight Dam Removal Alternative, see Master Response B in this volume.

Response to Comment I5-2

Please see the response to Comment I4-3.

Response to Comment I5-3

While the federal and state Endangered Species Acts prohibit the take of federally and state-listed species, these laws do not require that a particular alternative be considered in an EIS/EIR, but rather that all feasible alternatives be analyzed to minimize the effects on endangered species. As mentioned in Chapter 1 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR, the CALFED Program identified specific actions for restoration activities on Battle Creek, which include improving fish passage, upgrading fish passage facilities and screening diversions, and improving instream flows. However, these actions do not specify the removal of all diversion dams below the natural fish barriers on Battle Creek.

Furthermore, as mentioned in the response to Comment I3-1, an alternative analyzing the removal of all diversion dams (i.e., the Eight Dam Removal Alternative) was not analyzed in the EIS/EIR because it does not meet the objective of the Restoration Project to minimize the loss of energy generated by the Hydroelectric Project. Although the Eight Dam Removal Alternative was analyzed outside the NEPA/CEQA document, the results of this analysis have been summarized in Chapter 3 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR. For more information on the Eight Dam Removal Alternative, see Master Response B in this volume.

From:Dinda Evans <dindamcp4@yahoo.com>To:<mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov>Date:9/18/03 7:47PMSubject:Get rid of the dams

Please promote the removal of all dams below Battle Creek's natural fish migration barriers and increasing instream flows to

optimum levels identified by existing scientific studies.

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Comment Letter I6—Dinda Evans, Sacramento, CA (September 18, 2003)

Response to Comment I6-1

See the response to Comment I3-1.

From:znejad <znejad@iranrivers.com>To:"'mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov"' <mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov>Date:9/20/03 9:45PMSubject:May love rivers

Dear Mary

I support removal of all dams below Battle Creek's natural fish migration barriers and increasing instream flows to optimum levels identified by existing scientific studies. Best Regards Fatemeh Zafarnejad

Comment Letter I7—Fatemeh Zafarnejad, Sacramento, CA (September 20, 2003)

Response to Comment I7-1

Reclamation and the State Water Board thank the commentor for providing input. As indicated in the response to Comment I3-1, an alternative analyzing the removal of all diversion dams (i.e., the Eight Dam Removal Alternative) was not analyzed in the EIS/EIR because it does not meet the objective of the Restoration Project to minimize the loss of energy generated by the Hydroelectric Project. Although the Eight Dam Removal Alternative was analyzed outside the NEPA/CEQA document, the results of this analysis have been summarized in Chapter 3 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR. For more information on the Eight Dam Removal Alternative, see Master Response B in this volume.

From:	Craig Irwin <kayakcraig@yahoo.com></kayakcraig@yahoo.com>
To:	<mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov></mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov>
Date:	9/22/03 10:39AM
Subject:	Battle Creek Restoration Project

Mary:

I clearly support removal of all dams below Battle Creek's natural fish migration barriers and increasing instream flows to optimum levels as identified by existing scientific studies.

I support the FULL restoration of Battle Creek's salmon and steelhead fishery. The creeks are no place for messing around. If the salmon goes, soon too, go the humans. We are running out of time with the salmon, so many reaches of native salmon were lost to Simpson paper company's toxic dumping of dioxin in the Sacramento River, the leaking mine tailings, the chemical railroad accident on the upper sacramento that killed thousands of animals and fish. Point is, salmon are up against MANY barriers to migration. Please PUSH to remove these dams below Battle Creek. Give the fish a chance.

The most cost effective solution for the salmon and steelhead is to remove all eight dams located downstream of the creek's natural fish migration barriers. This option leaves a significant portion of PG&E's hydro project upstream of the barriers to generate electricity. Yet, this alternative is not even considered in the draft EIR/S currently circulated for public comment.

I am writing you to request that you remove all migration barriers to the salmon and all cacadromous species. Dams really do suck. They are out-dated, expensive fish killers. I dont want more dead salmon, we are after a sustainable and sensible future for this planet, and that starts with you working to remove dams between the ocean and Battle Creek.

I look forward to hearing back from you.

-Craig Irwin concerned hydrologist and fluvial geomorphologist

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Comment Letter I8—Craig Irwin, Sacramento, CA (September 22, 2003)

Response to Comment I8-1

Reclamation and the State Water Board thank the commentor for providing input. As indicated in the response to Comment I3-1, an alternative analyzing the removal of all diversion dams (i.e., the Eight Dam Removal Alternative) was not analyzed in the EIS/EIR because it does not meet the objective of the Restoration Project to minimize the loss of energy generated by the Hydroelectric Project. Although the Eight Dam Removal Alternative was analyzed outside the NEPA/CEQA document, the results of this analysis have been summarized in Chapter 3 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR. For more information on the Eight Dam Removal Alternative, see Master Response B in this volume.

Response to Comment I8-2

Please see the response to Comment I8-1.

Response to Comment I8-3

Please see the response to Comment I8-1.

Response to Comment I8-4

Please see the response to Comment I8-1.

BRADLEY OWENS Watershed Planner 22 Sutters Mill Court • Walnut Creek, CA 94596 • Phone 925.935.2710 email bradley@owenswatershedplanning.com

To: Mary Marshall, Bureau of Reclamation Subj: Battle Creek Salmon and Steelhead Restoration Project

Dear Ms. Marshall,

I would like to state my request that this restoration project include removal of the Eagle C Dam and all other dams below any natural fish barriers on this stream.

To achieve the highest level of salmon recovery, this rare opportunity to restore drought resistant habitat for endangered salmon and steelhead should be pursued. It is more efficient use of public funds than to modernize PG&E's facilities, and state and federal law require that the dam removal alternative be included in the project's EIS.

Sincerely,

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Comment Letter I9—Bradley Owens, Watershed Planner, Walnut Creek, CA (September 22, 2003)

Response to Comment I9-1

Please see the response to Comment I4-3.

Response to Comment I9-2

Restoration Project funds would not be used to modernize PG&E facilities, but rather to implement the Restoration Project. As mentioned in the response to I5-3, while the federal and state Endangered Species Acts prohibit the take of federally and state-listed species, these laws do not require that a particular alternative be considered in an EIS/EIR, but rather that all feasible alternatives be analyzed to minimize the effects on endangered species. As mentioned in Chapter 1 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR, the CALFED Program identified specific actions for restoration activities on Battle Creek, which include improving fish passage, upgrading fish passage facilities and screening diversions, and improving instream flows. However, these actions do not specify the removal of all diversion dams below the natural fish barriers on Battle Creek. As mentioned in the response to Comment I3-1, an alternative to remove all eight diversion dams was not considered in this EIS/EIR.

From:	"Mark Post" <mpost@darkwing.uoregon.edu></mpost@darkwing.uoregon.edu>
То:	<mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov></mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov>
Date:	9/25/03 7:56AM
Subject:	Comments on Battle Creek restoration

Dear Ms. Marshall or To Whom it May Concern,

With regard to the draft EIR/S for the Battle Creek restoration, I would like to ask that removal of *all* dams below natural fish migration barriers be considered. As I understand matters, this would still leave a significant upriver power generating capacity intact, and would remove all costs associated with retrofitting the remaining dams with fish ladders etc. I would further ask, in any case, that instream flows be increased to the levels prescribed by biologists who studied the issue; as I understand matters, the current proposal would boost flows, but by an indequate amount.

In all cases, I ask that the welfare and viability of the salmon and steelhead populations be paramount among all concerns.

Thank you for your consideration,

Mark Post Eugene, OR

Comment Letter I10—Mark Post, Eugene, OR (September 25, 2003)

Response to Comment I10-1

Please see the response to Comment I3-1.

Response to Comment I10-2

The Five Dam Removal Alternative (the Proposed Action) would modify Hydroelectric Project facilities and operations to provide water management consistent with the 1999 MOU (Appendix A in Volume II of this Final EIS/EIR). Minimum monthly flows in North Fork Battle Creek and South Fork Battle Creek, prior to implementation of the Interim Flow Agreement, were equivalent to those required as part of PG&E's existing FERC license. These required monthly minimum FERC flows were 3 cfs on North Fork Battle Creek, downstream of Wildcat Diversion Dam, and 5 cfs on South Fork Battle Creek, downstream of Coleman Diversion Dam. Since 1995, Reclamation has maintained interim flow agreements with PG&E to maintain higher minimum instream flows until a long-term restoration project can be implemented on Battle Creek. The interim flow agreements represent a short-term set of resource conditions that are not guaranteed to continue and are not conditions of the existing FERC license. The Interim Flow Agreement (which expired on December 31, 2004, with a 1-year renewal based on mutual agreement) stipulates that the minimum monthly flows downstream of Eagle Canyon Dam and Coleman Diversion Dam will be increased to 30 cfs.

The inset table in Figure 3-2 of this Final EIS/EIR indicates the continuous minimum instream flow releases that would increase below North Battle Creek Feeder, Eagle, Inskip, and Asbury Diversion Dams after completion of facility modifications. These instream flows are an integral component of the Restoration Project and were carefully selected by a team of experts. The BCWG Biological Technical Team collaboratively developed a detailed minimum flow release schedule for each diversion dam. The Biological Technical Team included biologists from government fishery agencies and PG&E and participants from the BCWG. The proposed flow schedule prioritized species by stream reach and considered flows providing passage and water temperature. One outside review was completed as a comparison to recently applied methodology at another Central Valley Chinook salmon stream. During the development of the Restoration Project MOU, the flow schedule developed by the Biological Team was reviewed and accepted along with an AMP that would address future uncertainties.

Response to Comment I10-3

As the federal and state lead agencies, Reclamation and the State Water Board, respectively, determined the purpose of and need for the Restoration Project to be twofold. As stated in Chapter 2, "Purpose and Need, Project Description, and Project Background," the purpose is to restore approximately 42 miles of habitat in Battle Creek and an additional 6 miles of habitat in its tributaries while minimizing the loss of clean and renewable energy produced by the Hydroelectric Project. The lead agencies have determined these objectives to be equally important and, therefore, collectively the overriding objective of the Restoration Project. In view of California's continuing energy crisis, continued supply of a reliable source of clean and renewable energy remains an important consideration.

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Mary Marshall Bureau of Reclamation 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA

Dear Ms. Marshall,

I urge you to support the restoration of salmon and steelhead in Battle Creek by removing all eight dams downstream of the creek's natural fish migration barriers.

The restoration of this fishery can be another success story, much like that now taking place on Clear Creek. When outdated and dysfunctional dams pose an impediment to a potentially marvelous resource such as a healthy salmon and steelhead population, then the tough decisions need to be made. The removal of the eight dams not only is best for the fish, but it is also best for the citizens of California. Why continue to maintain three dams, and incur the high costs of building ladders and screens when this option is more costly and less effective than that of removing all eight dams?

I hope you will urge the least costly and most effective option available with respect to the Battle Creek fishery.

Sincerely, Malgue

Bob Madgic, author, <u>A Guide to California's Freshwater Fishes</u> President, Shasta Fly Fishers

Comment Letter I11—Bob Madgic, President, Shasta Fly Fishers, Anderson, CA (October 7, 2003)

Response to Comment I11-1

Please see the response to Comment I3-1.

Response to Comment I11-2

Please see the response to Comment I3-1.

From:"Duane Milleman" <duane@theflyshop.com>To:<mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov>Date:10/9/03 2:40PMSubject:Battle Creek Watershed

Dear Ms. Marshall,

This is quick email to show support for the removal of all dams on Battle Creek below this stream's natural fish migration barriers. Also I am in support of increasing stream flows to optimum levels identified by existing scientific studies.

Ms. Marshall, this is an extremely important watershed to the survival of the Chinook Salmon, not to mention Steelhead Trout. It is incredible what was done to this entire watershed to put in the 8 dams that now exist. The proposal to remove five of these dams and build fish screens and ladders on the remaining three flies in the face of common sense. The cost of the screens and fish ladders is enormous, and makes little sense since fish ladders are never very successful.

Please consider removing the dams and increasing stream flows to the optimum levels.

Sincerely,

Duane Milleman

Comment Letter I12—Duane Milleman (October 9, 2003)

Response to Comment I12-1

Reclamation and the State Water Board thank the commentor for providing input. As indicated in the response to Comment I3-1, an alternative analyzing the removal of all diversion dams (i.e., the Eight Dam Removal Alternative) was not analyzed in the EIS/EIR because it does not meet the objective of the Restoration Project to minimize the loss of energy generated by the Hydroelectric Project. Although the Eight Dam Removal Alternative was analyzed outside the NEPA/CEQA document, the results of this analysis have been summarized in Chapter 3 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR. For more information on the Eight Dam Removal Alternative, see Master Response B in this volume.

Response to Comment I12-2

Please see the response to Comment I12-1.

October 13, 2003

Jeanette R. Alosi 1922 Oak Park Ave. Chico, CA 95928

Ms. Mary Marshall Bureau of Reclamation 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825

Dear Ms. Marshall

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I am writing in regards to Battle Creek Salmon and Steelhead Restoration Project. I strongly urge you to consider the "Remove All Dams Below Fish Barriers" alternative contained in the Environmental Impact Report. This project is a great opportunity to restore habitat for endangered salmon and steelhead.

I strongly urge you to remove all days below the creek's natural fish barriers including Eagle Canyon dam. Removing all eight of the PG&E's dam below the natural fish barriers is the most efficient and cost effective way to restore fish habitat while still maintaining a major part of the hydroelectric project. Eagle Canyon was hand-built in the early 1900's, and it would be very expensive to build fish ladders and screens. In this case, the simple, cheaper solution may be the best.

Both federal and state laws require that threatened and endangered species' habitat be restored. Fish should be able to pass around dams, and there should be sufficient flow to maintain healthy fisheries. It is also very critical that optimum minimum stream flows, as identified by the best available science, be maintained for salmon and steelhead. Massive fish kills similar to the Klamath River kills should not happen again.

Please consider the "Remove All Dams Below Fish Barriers" alternative. Thank you.

Jeanette Alosi

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Comment Letter I13—Jeanette Alosi (October 13, 2003)

Response to Comment I13-1

Please see the response to Comment I3-1.

Response to Comment I13-2

Please see the response to Comment I4-3.

Response to Comment I13-3

Please see the response to Comment I5-3.

From:	"Kraemers" <bature@tco.net></bature@tco.net>
То:	<mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov></mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov>
Date:	10/15/03 9:51AM
Subject:	Endangered Salmon and steelhead.

Ms. Marshall,

This is to inform you that we wish our public dollars to be used to restore endangered salmon and steelhead by eliminating all dams below natural fish barriers - particularly the Eagle Canyon dam - and by increasing flows to optimum levels needed to restore and maintain healthy fish populations.

The Battle Creek Salmon and Steelhead Restoration Project is the best remaining opportunity to restore drought resistant habitat for endangered salmon and steelhead - therefore all dams below the creek's natural fish barriers, including Eagle Canyon, should be removed to ensure the highest level of salmon recovery.

Optimum minimum stream flows for salmon and steelhead, as identified by the best availablae science, should be guaranteed.

Federal and state laws require the restoration of threatened and endangered species habiatat, fish passage aaround dams, sufficient flows to maintain healthey fisheries, and consideration of the "Remove All Dams Below Fish Barriers" alternative in the project's Environmental Impact Report/Statement.

Thank you,

Tom and Angela Kraemer

Comment Letter I14—Tom and Angela Kraemer (October 15, 2003)

Response to Comment I14-1

Please see the response to Comment I4-3.

Response to Comment I14-2

Please see the response to Comment I4-3.

Response to Comment I14-3

Please see the response to Comment I10-2.

Response to Comment I14-4

Please see the response to Comment I5-3.

From:Kathryn A Patterson <housekitty@juno.com>To:<mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov>Date:10/15/03 11:16PMSubject:Battle Creek Salmon and Steelhead Restoration Project

Ms. Mary Marshall Bureau of Reclamation 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825

Our public dollars need to be used to fully restore endangered salmon and steelhead by eliminating all dams below natural fish barriers -- particularly the Eagle Canyon dam -- and by increasing flows to optimum levels needed to restore and maintain healthy fish populations.

The Battle Creek Salmon and Steelhead Restoration Project is the best remaining opportunity to restore drought resistant habitat for endangered salmon and steelhead — therefore all dams below the creek's natural fish barriers, including Eagle Canyon, should be removed to ensure the highest level of salmon recovery.

Removing all eight of PG&E's dams below the natural fish barriers is a smarter, more efficient use of public dollars than using those same dollars to modernize PG&E's facilities.

Optimum minimum stream flows for salmon and steelhead, as identified by the best available science, should be guaranteed.

Federal and state laws require the restoration of threatened and endangered species habitat, fish passage around dams, sufficient flows to maintain healthy fisheries, and consideration of the "Remove All Dams Below Fish Barriers" alternative in the project's Environmental Impact Report/Statement.

Your consideration of these points will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Kathryn A. Patterson Redding, California 96002

Comment Letter I15—Kathryn A. Patterson, Redding, CA (October 15, 2003)

Response to Comment I15-1

Please see the responses to Comment I3-1 and Comment I10-2.

Response to Comment I15-2

Please see the response to Comment I4-3.

Response to Comment I15-3

Restoration Project funds would not be used to modernize PG&E facilities, but rather to implement the Restoration Project and improve habitat and passage for anadromous fish in Battle Creek.

Response to Comment I15-4

Please see the response to Comment I10-2.

Response to Comment I15-5

Please see the response to Comment I5-3.

From:"Dwyer, Jim" <JRDwyer@csuchico.edu>To:"Jim Canaday" <jcanaday@water.swrcb.ca.gov>, "Mary Marshall"<mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov>Date:10/16/03 11:07AMSubject:Dam removal

As a frequent recreational user of the Sacramento River and its tributaries and a participant in a variety of environmental reviews, I have developed a deep concern about healthy salmon and steelhead populations and the related issue of maintaining robust riparian biodiversity. There has been some progress in this area, particularly the release of colder water from Shasta Lake, but much remains to be done.

As a taxpayer, I like to see my tax dollars used effectively. The single best, most cost-effective action to restore healthy salmon poulations is the removal of all dams below natural fish barriers and the concommitant increase of water flows to a healthy level.

As a concerned citizen, I demand that my public dollars be used to fully restore endangered salmon and steelhead by eliminating all dams below natural fish barriers - particularly the Eagle Canyon dam - and by increasing flows to optimum levels needed to restore and maintain healthy fish populations.

I strongly support the "Remove All Dams Below Fish Barriers" alternative in the project's Environmental Impact Statement and urge you to do the same.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this important issue.

Sincerely,

Jim Dwyer Bibliographic Services Librarian CSU-Chico

Comment Letter I16—Jim Dwyer, Bibliographic Services Librarian, California State University, Chico (October 16, 2003)

Response to Comment I16-1

Please see the response to Comment I3-1.

Response to Comment I16-2

Please see the response to Comment I4-3.

Response to Comment I16-3

Reclamation and the State Water Board thank the commentor for providing input. As indicated in the response to Comment I3-1, an alternative analyzing the removal of all diversion dams (i.e., the Eight Dam Removal Alternative) was not analyzed in the EIS/EIR because it does not meet the objective of the Restoration Project to minimize the loss of energy generated by the Hydroelectric Project. Although the Eight Dam Removal Alternative was analyzed outside the NEPA/CEQA document, the results of this analysis have been summarized in Chapter 3 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR. For more information on the Eight Dam Removal Alternative, see Master Response B in this volume.

From:	"Suellen Rowlison" <suellen@garlic.com></suellen@garlic.com>	
To:	<mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov></mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov>	
Date:	10/16/03 11:14AM	
Subject:	Remove Dams on Battle Creek: Restore Salmon & Steelhead	

Ms. Mary Marshall Bureau of Reclamation

Please do everything in your power to protect endangered species of Salmon and Steelhead on Battle Creek, a key salmon spawning tributary of the Sacramento River. Particularly, remove the eight hydroelectric dams owned operated by PG&E, especially the Eagle Canyon Dam on the North Fork of Battle Creek. If these dams are not removed, PG&E will continue with a required restoration project of fish ladders and screens that will cost \$62 million dollars that will of course be passed on to end users. This expense and ongoing costs do not match the relatively small amount of electricity that would be produced. The cost-benefit ratio doesn't cut it, especially at the expense of Salmon and Steelhead and habitat.

Thank You for your stewardship of our natural resources

Suellen Rowlison, RN Chico, CA

Comment Letter I17—Suellen Rowlison, RN, Chico, CA (October 16, 2003)

Response to Comment I17-1

Please see the response to Comment I3-1.

Response to Comment I17-2

Please see the response to Comment I3-1.

From:"Patricia Puterbaugh" <cohasset@shocking.com>To:<mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov>Date:10/17/03 6:24AMSubject:Battle Creek

Hello - Please add my comments to the many strongly encouraging the restoration of endangered salmon and steelhead by eliminating all dams below the natural fish barriers on Battle Creek. This integrity of this creek is essential to the survival of these species. The Eagle Canyon dam needs to come down. The optimum minimum flow to this creek needs to be guaranteed so there are no fish die offs as has been happening in Butte Creek and in the Klamath. Our tax dollars should NOT be spent on upgrading PGE facilities for the private sector! Removing the old, inefficient dams and creating solar or other power opportunites would be a better spent tax dollar. Sincerely, Patricia Puterbaugh, 1540 Vilas Rd., Cohasset, CA. 95973

Comment Letter I18—Patricia Puterbaugh, Cohasset, CA (October 17, 2003)

Response to Comment I18-1

Reclamation and the State Water Board thank the commentor for providing input. As indicated in the response to Comment I3-1, an alternative analyzing the removal of all diversion dams (i.e., the Eight Dam Removal Alternative) was not analyzed in the EIS/EIR because it does not meet the objective of the Restoration Project to minimize the loss of energy generated by the Hydroelectric Project. Although the Eight Dam Removal Alternative was analyzed outside the NEPA/CEQA document, the results of this analysis have been summarized in Chapter 3 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR. For more information on the Eight Dam Removal Alternative, see Master Response B in this volume.

Response to Comment I18-2

Optimum minimum flows are guaranteed under the MOU and the FERC license amendment. As described in this Final EIS/EIR, under Development of a Memorandum of Understanding in the Project Background discussion of Chapter 2, "Purpose and Need, Project Description, and Project Background," as long as there is water available in the creek system, the Battle Creek AMP (Terraqua, Inc. 2004) will provide for the acquisition of water via the Water Acquisition Fund. For more information, please see the Response to Comment I10-2.

Response to Comment I18-3

The overriding objective of the Restoration Project is twofold—to restore habitat for anadromous fish while minimizing the loss of hydroelectric power; however, project funds would be used only for restoration activities. Funding for the Restoration Project would be used to restore Battle Creek for anadromous fish, including the installation of fish ladders and fish screens at three PG&E diversion dams. In addition, funds would be used to remove five diversion dams on Battle Creek and its tributaries. Funds would not be used to upgrade any of PG&E's facilities for the purpose of improving power generation. Rather, facilities would be upgraded to improve fish passage around the dams. Ms. Mary Marshall Bureau of Reclamation 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825 Mr. Jim Canaday State Water Resources Control Board 1001 T Street Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Comments on Battle Creek Restoration Project - Draft EIS

Dear Ms. Marshall and Mr. Canaday:

I am writing to offer my comments on the Battle Creek Project's Draft EIS. I believe that the preferred alternative falls short of what we need done to restore salmon habitat. I have boated and enjoyed Battle Creek for years, and have hope that this project will restore salmon and steelhead in the creek.

Because of this, I support removal of ALL dams below Battle Creek's natural fish barriers--this would include the removal of Eagle Canyon Dam.

We need to use our public dollars in the most cost effective and efficient way. Removing all eight dams is the best way to both use our limited public resources and to ensure we find the best way for salmon recovery. We should not continue to put money towards methods that are either unproven, not cost effective, or will have other costs down the road. I'm also concerned that not removing all eight dams will provide some, but not enough benefit. If Battle Creek represents one of our best chances at recovery, why would we not use it as an example and remove all dams?

I also support increasing minimum stream flows for both salmon and steelhead and other measures needed for restoration.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I'd appreciate being informed on any decisions you make on this restoration project.

Sincerely,

Traci Sheehan 5531 Bassi Road Lotus, CA 95651

Comment Letter I19—Traci Sheehan, Lotus, CA (October 17, 2003)

Response to Comment I19-1

The purpose of the Restoration Project is to restore approximately 42 miles of prime salmon and steelhead habitat in Battle Creek and an additional 6 miles of habitat in its tributaries while minimizing the loss of clean and renewable energy produced by the Hydroelectric Project. The project's purpose is described in the Purpose and Need discussion of Chapter 2 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR. Specific goals were developed and are also listed under the Project Objectives discussion in Chapter 2 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR. As the lead agencies under NEPA and CEQA, Reclamation and the State Water Board have determined that the Proposed Action (the Five Dam Removal Alternative) does fulfill the goals of the Restoration Project to restore anadromous fish habitat in Battle Creek while minimizing the loss of energy produced by the Hydroelectric Project. See Master Response B in Chapter 2 in this volume for more information explaining why the Five Dam Removal Alternative is the Proposed Action for the Restoration Project.

Response to Comment I19-2

Reclamation and the State Water Board thank the commentor for providing input. As indicated in the response to Comment I3-1, an alternative analyzing the removal of all diversion dams (i.e., the Eight Dam Removal Alternative) was not analyzed in the EIS/EIR because it does not meet the objective of the Restoration Project to minimize the loss of energy generated by the Hydroelectric Project. Although the Eight Dam Removal Alternative was analyzed outside the NEPA/CEQA document, the results of this analysis have been summarized in Chapter 3 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR. For more information on the Eight Dam Removal Alternative, see Master Response B in this volume.

Response to Comment I19-3

Please see the response to Comment I3-1.

Response to Comment I19-4

Reclamation and the State Water Board thank you for your support to increase minimum instream flows.

Chapter 9 Form Letter Comments

This section contains copies of the form letters received during the public review of the Draft EIS/EIR and the Draft Supplemental EIS/Revised EIR. Two types of form letters were submitted to Reclamation and the State Water Board during public review of the Draft EIS/EIR and are identified in this chapter as Form Letter 1 and Form Letter 2. One form letter was submitted to Reclamation and the State Water Board during public review of the Draft EIS/Revised EIR and are identified in this chapter as Form Letter 1 and Form Letter 2. One form letter was submitted to Reclamation and the State Water Board during public review of the Draft Supplemental EIS/Revised EIR and is identified in this chapter as Form Letter 3.

Seventeen form letters with identical comments were received via U.S. mail and e-mail and are designated Form Letter 1; Table 9-1 lists the people who submitted this letter. A copy of each letter is presented in this chapter and is followed by responses to the comments identified.

No.	Date	Name	Place of Residence
FL1.1	09/04/03	Craig Tucker	Sacramento, CA
FL1.2	09/08/03	Della J. Martin	Redding, CA
FL1.3	09/08/03	Lindsey Pernell	Sacramento, CA
FL1.4	09/10/03	Timothy R. Lasko	Roseville, CA
FL1.5	09/10/03	Jackie Peppard	Auburn, CA
FL1.6	09/10/03	Jacqueline Shulters	Grants Pass, OR
FL1.7	09/11/03	Tim LaVerne	Isla Vista, CA
FL1.8	09/11/03	Nora Marsh	Auburn, CA
FL1.9	09/15/03	Kristin Ford	Sacramento, CA
FL1.10	09/16/03	Clare Broussard	Occidental, CA
FL1.11	09/16/03	Mary Marcus	Guerneville, CA
FL1.12	09/16/03	Milan Cole	Oxnard, CA
FL1.13	09/17/03	Douglas H. Latimer	Redwood City, CA

Table 9-1. Form Letter 1 Comments (17 signatories)

No.	Date	Name	Place of Residence
FL1.14	09/19/03	Robert Lesko	New York, NY
FL1.15	09/26/03	Howard Robinson	Los Angeles, CA
FL1.16	10/9/03	Jeremy Sarrow, Fisheries Biologist	Oakland, CA
FL1.17	10/15/03	Tom and Angela Kraemer	Corning, CA

Form Letter 2 has typed comments at the top of the letter and an empty comment box below for individuals to add personal comments; the 209 letters are listed in Table 9-2. Of these 209 letters, 148 did not contain personal comments. One blank copy of the form letter is included in this chapter to represent the 148 letters received without personal comments. A master response to the typed comments provided in Form Letter 2 follows the letter. The remaining 61 letters that did provide personal comments in the empty comment box are included in this chapter and follow the master response to Form Letter 2. For those comment letters that provide specific comments, responses have been prepared to address the individuals' concerns and immediately follow each respective letter.

No.	Date	Name	Place of Residence	
Form letters with no personal comments				
FL2.1	09/13/03	Yosef Ben-nuh	Concord, CA	
FL2.2	09/13/03	Geoff Fattig	Sacramento, CA	
FL2.3	09/13/03	Paige Morrison	Oakland, CA	
FL2.4	09/13/03	Harry J. Smith	Vacaville, CA	
FL2.5	09/13/03	Noah Sochet	Berkeley, CA	
FL2.6	09/26/03	Jean H. Danver	Los Altos Hills, CA	
FL2.7	09/27/03	Diane Abbey	Sacramento, CA	
FL2.8	09/27/03	Amanda Bain	Kelowna, B.C.	
FL2.9	09/27/03	Christine DeLaup	Aptos, CA	
FL2.10	09/27/03	Dru Devlin	Half Moon Bay, CA	
FL2.11	09/27/03	Jill Dodsworth	Santa Clara, CA	
FL2.12	09/27/03	Ann Getoor	Los Osos, CA	
FL2.13	09/27/03	Sylvia Guzman	Livermore, CA	
FL2.14	09/27/03	Martha Graham-Jones	Minden, NV	
FL2.15	09/27/03	Meghan Kay	San Rafael, CA	
FL2.16	09/27/03	Robert Lambrose	Antioch, CA	
FL2.17	09/27/03	Mark Levine	San Juan Bautista, CA	
FL2.18	09/27/03	Laurie Manarik	Point Reyes, CA	

Table 9-2. Form Letter 2 Comments (209 signatories)

No.	Date	Name	Place of Residence
FL2.19	09/27/03	James McGrew	Hayward, CA
FL2.20	09/27/03	Brian Medernack	Belmont, CA
FL2.21	09/27/03	Keith A. Miller	Oakland, CA
FL2.22	09/27/03	Cheryl Penn	Burlingame, CA
FL2.23	09/27/03	Susan and Jack Pines	Palo Alto, CA
FL2.24	09/27/03	Nikki Rekman	Vancouver, B.C.
FL2.25	09/27/03	Renee Rosenberg	Jamestown, CA
FL2.26	09/27/03	Candi Smith	Oroville, CA
FL2.27	09/27/03	Sage Teyak	Trinidad, CA
FL2.28	09/27/03	Samuel Wong	San Jose, CA
FL2.29	09/27/03	Michael Yantos	San Carlos, CA
FL2.30	09/27/03	*	Pittsburg, CA
FL2.31	09/28/03	Nancy Argo	San Mateo, CA
FL2.32	09/28/03	Michael Irvin	San Carlos, CA
FL2.33	09/28/03	Sue Macias	Santa Clara, CA
FL2.34	09/28/03	Doug Schmitt	Castro Valley, CA
FL2.35	09/28/03	M. Simon	La Silva, CA
FL2.36	10/10/03	Delila Katz	Orangevale, CA
FL2.37	10/10/03	Douglas E. Wick	Fair Oaks, CA
FL2.38	10/11/03	Andree M. Clark	Fair Oaks, CA
FL2.39	10/11/03	Arnold Garza	Fresno, CA
FL2.40	10/11/03	Rob Grasso	Davis, CA
FL2.41	10/11/03	Barbara J. Keyser	Orangevale, CA
FL2.42	10/11/03	Jim Lewis	West Sacramento, CA
FL2.43	10/11/03	Alex R. Maurizi	Sacramento, CA
FL2.44	10/11/03	Barbara S. Maurizi	Sacramento, CA
FL2.45	10/11/03	Brian McIntyre	Rancho Cordova, CA
FL2.46	10/11/03	Scott Peterson	Carmichael, CA
FL2.47	10/11/03	Barbara Schrier	Orangevale, CA
FL2.48	10/11/03	Deborah Stafford	Long Beach, CA
FL2.49	10/11/03	Ari Thomas	Carmichael, CA
FL2.50	10/12/03	Rebecca Anaya	Oakland, CA
FL2.51	10/12/03	Haley Lobaugh	Placerville, CA
FL2.52	No date	Dave E. Alcala	Santa Cruz, CA

No.	Date	Name	Place of Residence
FL2.53	No date	Dave Anderson	Citrus Heights, CA
FL2.54	No date	Julie Anderson	Seattle, WA
FL2.55	No date	Jerome Bader	Elk Grove, CA
FL2.56	No date	Lisa Beckstead	Reno, NV
FL2.57	No date	Tod Bedrosian	Sacramento, CA
FL2.58	No date	David Bloom	Belmont, CA
FL2.59	No date	Merrill Bobele	El Granada, CA
FL2.60	No date	Norman Bookstein	Kensington, CA
FL2.61	No date	Gregory Brown	Fair Oaks, CA
FL2.62	No date	Jared Brown	Fair Oaks, CA
FL2.63	No date	Daniel Burke	Sacramento, CA
FL2.64	No date	Glenda Burkhead	Burlingame, CA
FL2.65	No date	Tim Burns	San Jose, CA
FL2.66	No date	Frank Busse	Orinda, CA
FL2.67	No date	Gregg Butterfield	Thousand Oaks, CA
FL2.68	No date	Duncan Campbell	Menlo Park, CA
FL2.69	No date	Ross Campbell	San Mateo, CA
FL2.70	No date	Raymond Carig	Mountain View, CA
FL2.71	No date	Nicholas Carpenter	Rancho Cordova, CA
FL2.72	No date	Lesley Carriker	Elk Grove, CA
FL2.73	No date	David Cavazos	Carson, CA
FL2.74	No date	Tricia Chong	Elk Grove, CA
FL2.75	No date	Malinda Cirimele	Roseville, CA
FL2.76	No date	Candice Clark	Fair Oaks, CA
FL2.77	No date	R. L. Clark	Arcata, CA
FL2.78	No date	Allen Coe	Sacramento, CA
FL2.79	No date	Chris Conard	Sacramento, CA
FL2.80	No date	Victoria Contreras-Alcala	Palo Alto, CA
FL2.81	No date	Erin Cosgrove	Oakland, CA
FL2.82	No date	Cathy Crossgrove	Redwood City, CA
FL2.83	No date	Hien T. Dao	San Jose, CA
FL2.84	No date	Aimee Day	Dixon, CA
FL2.85	No date	Brynna Day	Dixon, CA
FL2.86	No date	Anthony Ehret	San Rafael, CA

No.	Date	Name	Place of Residence
FL2.87	No date	Vince Escobar	Folsom, CA
FL2.88	No date	Ebi Fini	Gold River, CA
FL2.89	No date	A. Gamez	Castro Valley, CA
FL2.90	No date	Juan M. Garcia	Elk Grove, CA
FL2.91	No date	Janice Gardner-Loster	San Leandro, CA
FL2.92	No date	Steven Granlund	Fair Oaks, CA
FL2.93	No date	Thelma Granlund	Fair Oaks, CA
FL2.94	No date	Michael Hamman	San Francisco, CA
FL2.95	No date	Laurie Hart	Menlo Park, CA
FL2.96	No date	Dustin Holm	Sacramento, CA
FL2.97	No date	Christina Kemp	Santa Cruz, CA
FL2.98	No date	Ruslan Kisilev	Sacramento, CA
FL2.99	No date	Ruvim Kisilev	Sacramento, CA
FL2.100	No date	Linda Kreitz	Alameda, CA
FL2.101	No date	Kimya Lambert	Sacramento, CA
FL2.102	No date	William Lampe	Antelope, CA
FL2.103	No date	Latisha Landis	St. Helena, CA
FL2.104	No date	Guadalupe P. Levine	San Juan Bautista, CA
FL2.105	No date	Julie Litwin	Oakland, CA
FL2.106	No date	Curtis Loeb	Pleasanton, CA
FL2.107	No date	John Martin	Rancho Cordova, CA
FL2.108	No date	Kathi Minden	Burlingame, CA
FL2.109	No date	David Minnis	Newark, CA
FL2.110	No date	Ken Moore	Aptos, CA
FL2.111	No date	Starlight Murray	Sacramento, CA
FL2.112	No date	Barbara Nobriga	Sacramento, CA
FL2.113	No date	Herb Nobriga	Sacramento, CA
FL2.114	No date	Doug Parkes	Palo Alto, CA
FL2.115	No date	Olga Pastuszynski	San Bruno, CA
FL2.116	No date	Andy Phillips	San Leandro, CA
FL2.117	No date	Robert Pimentel	Fair Oaks, CA
FL2.118	No date	Liese Rapozo	Pacifica, CA
FL2.119	No date	Tom Rider	Petaluma, CA
FL2.120	No date	Delia Rios	San Jose, CA

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FL2.121	No date	Judy Robinson	Moraga, CA
FL2.122	No date	Rob Rosenberg	Jamestown, CA
FL2.123	No date	Joyce Schwithe	Nevada City, CA
FL2.124	No date	Jessica Silva	Dixon, CA
FL2.125	No date	Barbara Sokoloski	Livermore, CA
FL2.126	No date	Walter Sokoloski	Livermore, CA
FL2.127	No date	Carl Somppi	Alameda, CA
FL2.128	No date	Lisa Steadman	San Mateo, CA
FL2.129	No date	Molly Stephens	Davis, CA
FL2.130	No date	Drew Stevens	Yountville, CA
FL2.131	No date	Kristina Suber	Sacramento, CA
FL2.132	No date	Richard Sukhu	Sacramento, CA
FL2.133	No date	Doug Tallman	San Mateo, CA
FL2.134	No date	Serena Thomas	Roseville, CA
FL2.135	No date	Amber T. Thompson	Antelope, CA
FL2.136	No date	Cody W. Thompson	Antelope, CA
FL2.137	No date	Pamela Ungelbach	Campbell, CA
FL2.138	No date	David Waite	Mt. Shasta, CA
FL2.139	No date	M. Walker	Palo Alto, CA
FL2.140	No date	Mike Williams	Fair Oaks, CA
FL2.141	No date	William Wolff	Folsom, CA
FL2.142	No date	Jerome Wrobleski	Sunnyvale, CA
FL2.143	No date	Y. *	Belmont, CA
FL2.144	No date	Ronald *	Chapala, Jalisco, Mexico
FL2.145	No date	Austen M. Takechi*	Gold River, CA
FL2.146	No date	Robert *	Carmichael, CA
FL2.147	No date	Peter Donahue*	Menlo Park, CA
FL2.148	No date	Judy *	Pacifica, CA
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FL2.149	09/13/03	Nicole L. Aghazorian	Stockton, CA
FL2.150	09/13/03	Bruce Becker	Castro Valley, CA
FL2.151	09/13/03	Nick K. C.*	Stockton, CA
FL2.152	09/13/03	Thomas Hughes	San Francisco, CA
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FL2.154	09/13/03	Margrit Petrofsky	Los Gatos, CA
FL2.155	09/14/03	Gordon Beaker	Kensington, CA
FL2.156	09/15/03	Meadow Barr	Mt. Shasta, CA
FL2.157	09/27/03	Janet B. Cook	Redwood City, CA
FL2.158	09/27/03	Kenneth Howell	Montara, CA
FL2.159	09/27/03	Kevin Jack	Napa, CA
FL2.160	09/27/03	King Lamadora	Daly City, CA
FL2.161	09/27/03	Dylan Morrison	San Francisco, CA
FL2.162	09/27/03	Ayako K Nagano	Berkeley, CA
FL2.163	09/27/03	Michael Riorden	Soquel, CA
FL2.164	09/27/03	Eric Stromme	Sitka, AK
FL2.165	09/27/03	Wendy Tanowitz	Ross, CA
FL2.166	09/27/03	Susan Tolin	Pacifica, CA
FL2.167	09/27/03	Lynn Tringali	San Jose, CA
FL2.168	09/28/03	Robert Goff	San Rafael, CA
FL2.169	09/28/03	G. Hamada	Palo Alto, CA
FL2.170	10/11/03	Walter Hatfield	Fair Oaks, CA
FL2.171	10/11/03	Babette Henry-Tasker	Rancho Cordova, CA
FL2.172	10/11/03	Ali H. Jafari	Sacramento, CA
FL2.173	10/11/03	Madison Kilian (Age 9)	Rocklin, CA
FL2.174	10/12/03	Parker Engquist (Age 6)	Fair Oaks, CA
FL2.175	10/12/03	Tyler Engquist (Age 8)	Fair Oaks, CA
FL2.176	10/12/03	Greg Ungelbach	Campbell, CA
FL2.177	10/13/03	Jennifer Bloome	Auburn, CA
FL2.178	10/13/03	David G. Graves	Sacramento, CA
FL2.179	10/03	Lorraine L.*	Sacramento, CA
FL2.180	No date	Shirley Arington	Sunnyvale, CA
FL2.181	No date	Shannon Bigelson	Fair Oaks, CA
FL2.182	No date	Eileen Bouden	San Jose, CA
FL2.183	No date	James A. Bryant, Jr.	Roseville, CA
FL2.184	No date	Allen Delay	Livermore, CA
FL2.185	No date	Peter Drekmeier	Palo Alto, CA
FL2.186	No date	Joe Geddes	
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FL2.188	No date	Eddy Helmer	Antelope, CA
FL2.189	No date	Alyssa Higgins (and Jessica Heskin)	Rancho Cordova, CA
FL2.190	No date	Jessica Howard	Shingle Springs, CA
FL2.191	No date	Penny Howard	Shingle Springs, CA
FL2.192	No date	Meg M. Johnson	Sacramento, CA
FL2.193	No date	Sharin Joy	San Francisco, CA
FL2.194	No date	Marsha Kilian	Rocklin, CA
FL2.195	No date	Christa Lindsey	Rancho Cordova, CA
FL2.196	No date	Jonathan McClelland	Santa Rosa, CA
FL2.197	No date	Julia McIv*	Sacramento, CA
FL2.198	No date	Linda Mollenhauer Me*	Sebastopol, CA
FL2.199	No date	Candy Reeves	Sacramento, CA
FL2.200	No date	Isabel M. Rios	San Jose, CA
FL2.201	No date	Jessica Ryan	Rancho Cordova, CA
FL2.202	No date	Ruby Sirmons	Rancho Cordova, CA
FL2.203	No date	Michael D. Sowe*	Soquel, CA
FL2.204	No date	Margie Tomenko	Carmichael, CA
FL2.205	No date	Linda Vance	Emeryville, CA
FL2.206	No date	Walter Washington	Minden, NV
FL2.207	No date	Pat Watters	San Mateo, CA
FL2.208	No date	Richard Weiss	Oakland, CA
FL2.209	No date	Shelley Wrigley	Roseville, CA
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Ninety-six form letters with identical comments were received via U.S. mail and are grouped as Form Letter 3; Table 9-3 lists the names of individuals who submitted the form letter. Because each form letter presented identical comments, one blank copy of the form letter is included in this chapter to represent the 96 letters that were received on the Draft Supplemental EIS/Revised EIR. A master response to the typed comments in Form Letter 3

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Table 9-3. Form Letter 3 Comments (96 signatories)

No.	Date	Name	Place of Residence
FL3.34	04/20/05	Bryan Gabbard	Chico, CA
FL3.35	04/20/05	Della J. Martin	Chico, CA
FL3.36	04/20/05	Kristina Miller	Chico, CA
FL3.37	04/20/05	Josh Narr*	Chico, CA
FL3.38	04/20/05	Lori J. Narr	Chico, CA
FL3.39	04/20/05	Anthony Sudderte	Chico, CA
FL3.40	04/21/05	Jennifer Patten	Chico, CA
FL3.41	04/21/05	Natalie Robertson	Chico, CA
FL3.42	04/21/05	Tiffany Yast	NA
FL3.43	04/22/05	Ronald L. Ramsey	Redding, CA
FL3.44	04/25/05	Brigitte Bordenave	Chico, CA
FL3.45	04/25/05	Kimberly C. Miller	Chico, CA
FL3.46	04/25/05	Becca Schwalm	Chico, CA
FL3.47	04/25/05	Erin K. Shaw	Chico, CA
FL3.48	04/26/05	Carolyn Capriato	Chico, CA
FL3.49	04/26/05	Alicia Perez	Chico, CA
FL3.50	04/26/05	Diana Rector	Chico, CA
FL3.51	04/27/05	Samual Ready	Cohasset, CA
FL3.52	04/28/05	Charito F. Abbott	Chico, CA
FL3.53	04/28/05	Charmae Bartlett	Chico, CA
FL3.54	04/28/05	Joel Castle	Chico, CA
FL3.55	04/28/05	Dave Elke	Chico, CA
FL3.56	04/28/05	Stephen Fellows	Chico, CA
FL3.57	04/28/05	Jodea Foster	Chico, CA
FL3.58	04/28/05	Alga Gadael	Chico, CA
FL3.59	04/28/05	Mari Garrido	Chico, CA
FL3.60	04/28/05	Monique Gilardi	Chico, CA
FL3.61	04/28/05	Janean Greenway	Chico, CA
FL3.62	04/28/05	Christopher Haro	Chico, CA
FL3.63	04/28/05	Jeremy Harris	Chico, CA
FL3.64	04/28/05	Bonner Hart*	Paradise, CA
FL3.65	04/28/05	Marilyn H. Hiestand	Chico, CA
FL3.66	04/28/05	R. Travas Hunter	Chico, CA
FL3.67	04/28/05	*	Vacaville, CA

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FL3.68	04/28/05	Gerald J. Krug, Jr.	Chico, CA
FL3.69	04/28/05	Piper Lacy	Encinitas, CA
FL3.70	04/28/05	Don Mackay	Ventura, CA
FL3.71	04/28/05	Doug Mackay	South Lake Tahoe, CA
FL3.72	04/28/05	Jordan Manfredi	Chico, CA
FL3.73	04/28/05	Dara McKinley	Chico, CA
FL3.74	04/28/05	Arlene Merchant	Chico, CA
FL3.75	04/28/05	Michael M. Noble	Chico, CA
FL3.76	04/28/05	Andrew Olsen	Chico, CA
FL3.77	04/28/05	Kayla Rinehart	Chico, CA
FL3.78	04/28/05	Carmen Rios-Ramirez	San Rafael, CA
FL3.79	04/28/05	Adam Samorano	Chico, CA
FL3.80	04/28/05	Stephanie Shirar	Vacaville, CA
FL3.81	04/28/05	Margaret F. Smith	Chico, CA
FL3.82	04/28/05	Pamela Tompkins	Paradise, CA
FL3.83	04/28/05	Christina Vish	Chico, CA
FL3.84	04/29/05	David G. Graves	Sacramento, CA
FL3.85	04/29/05	Peter K. Kamau	Sacramento, CA
FL3.86	04/29/05	Peter T. Ferenbach	Berkeley, CA
FL3.87	04/29/05	Kelly Pedern*	Sacramento, CA
FL3.88	04/29/05	S. Craig Tucker	Sacramento, CA
FL3.89	05/03/05	Cheryl Walt	McKinleyville, CA
FL3.90	05/12/05	Dan C. Massie, Jr.	Tehama, CA
FL3.91	No date	Marylyn Carroll	Paradise, CA
FL3.92	No date	Harry May	Chico, CA
FL3.93	No date	Susanne Miller	Redding, CA
FL3.94	No date	Mira Talbott-Pore	Chico, CA
FL3.95	No date	Sue Taylor	Shasta, CA
FL3.96	No date	Richard J. Wemette	Chico, CA

spelling of this name.

Responses to comments are individually numbered in sequence, corresponding to the numbering assigned to comments within each comment letter. The responses are prepared in answer to the full text of the original comment.

Craig Tucker 4348 3rd Ave Sacramento, CA 95817

September 4, 2003

Mary Marshall 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825

Re: Remove Dams to Save Endangered Salmon on Battle Creek

Dear Marshall:

As a concerned citizen, I demand that my public dollars be used to fully restore endangered salmon and steelhead by eliminating all dams below natural fish barriers – particularly the Eagle Canyon dam – and by increasing flows to optimum levels needed to restore and maintain healthy fish populations. Please consider the following points:

-The Battle Creek Salmon and Steelhead Restoration Project is the best remaining opportunity to restore drought resistant habitat for endangered salmon and steelhead—therefore all dams below the creek's natural fish barriers, including Eagle Canyon, should be removed to ensure that the highest levels of salmon recovery are achieved.

-Removing all eight of PG&E's dams below the natural fish barriers is a smarter, more efficient use of public dollars than using those same dollars to modernize PG&E's facilities.

-Minimum stream flows should be increased to the optimum levels identified by scientific studies to restore and maintain fish populations.

-Federal and state laws require the restoration of threatened and endangered species habitat, fish passage around dams, sufficient flows to maintain healthy fisheries, and consideration of the "Remove All Dams Below Fish Barriers" alternative in the project's Environmental Impact Statement.

Sincerely,

Craig Tucker

Form Letter 1

Reclamation and the State Water Board received 17 copies of Form Letter 1. Each letter is presented in this chapter and followed by responses to the comments identified in them. A list of all individuals who submitted Form Letter 1 is shown in Table 9-1.

Comment Letter FL1.1—Craig Tucker, Sacramento, California (September 4, 2003)

Response to Comment FL1.1-1

Removing Eagle Canyon Diversion Dam in addition to removing the dams proposed under the Proposed Action (i.e., the Six Dam Removal Alternative) would not meet Restoration Project goals and objectives, which include minimizing the loss of clean and renewable energy produced by the Battle Creek Hydroelectric Project (see Project Objectives in Chapter 2 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR). An explanation of why the Six Dam Removal Alternative is not a viable alternative for the Restoration Project is provided under the discussion titled Power Generation and Economics in Section 4.16, Other NEPA Analyses, in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR. Compared to existing conditions under PG&E's current FERC license (No. 1121), both the Proposed Action, i.e., the Five Dam Removal Alternative, and the Six Dam Removal Alternative would substantially improve habitat and passage conditions in Battle Creek for Chinook salmon and steelhead. However, the habitat and passage conditions predicted for the Six Dam Removal Alternative does not represent a significant improvement over those predicted for the Five Dam Removal Alternative.

Additional information supporting the Five Dam Removal Alternative as the Proposed Action is presented in Master Response B in this volume.

Response to Comment FL1.1-2

As explained in the discussion Project Objectives in Chapter 2 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR, one of the project's goals is to minimize the loss of clean and renewable energy produced by the Battle Creek Hydroelectric Project. Removing all eight of PG&E's diversion dams below the natural fish barriers in Battle Creek (i.e., the Eight Dam Removal Alternative) would not meet this objective (please see Master Response B in this volume for more information). Public funding for this project would not be used to modernize PG&E's facilities for power generation purposes. Instead, the funding would be used to install new fish screens and fish ladders to improve fish passage around the remaining diversion dams.

Response to Comment FL1.1-3

Minimum instream flows would be increased considerably under the Proposed Action (i.e., the Five Dam Removal Alternative). The existing FERC license requires minimum instream flows of 3 cfs and 5 cfs in North Fork and South Fork Battle Creek, respectively. The Five Dam Removal Alternative would increase minimum instream flows from 3 cfs to 35 cfs in the North Fork, and from 5 cfs to 40 cfs in the South Fork. Minimum instream flows identified for the Proposed Action were approved by state and federal fish resource agencies, including DFG, USFWS, and NOAA Fisheries.

Response to Comment FL1.1-4

Federal and state laws do not require the restoration of threatened and endangered species habitat, although habitat restoration is useful in preventing extinction. The Restoration Project and other projects in the CALFED Program are improving fish habitat in the Sacramento River system because they choose to do so. As described in the discussion under Relationship of the Restoration Project to the CALFED Program in Chapter 1 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR, the Restoration Project is identified in the CALFED Programmatic ROD (August 2000) (CALFED Bay-Delta Program 2000a) as a fish passage action in support of the CALFED ERP (CALFED Bay-Delta Program 2000b). The ERP Strategic Plan for Ecosystem Restoration (CALFED Bay-Delta Program 1999) identifies three Battle Creek Stage 1 Actions from which the Restoration Project tiers:

- Action 1: Improve fish migration by removing diversion dams, upgrading fish passage facilities, and screening diversions.
- Action 2: Improve instream flows in lower Battle Creek to provide adequate passage flows.
- Action 3: Develop and implement a watershed management plan to reduce the amount of fine sediments introduced to the creek channel, to protect and restore riparian habitat, to improve base flows, and to reduce water temperatures.

Although removing all dams below the natural fish barriers (i.e., Eight Dam Removal Alternative) may appear to provide a better opportunity for restoration of Battle Creek, when compared to the Five Dam Removal Alternative the incremental biological benefits associated with the Eight Dam Removal Alternative provide minimal additional habitat for Chinook salmon and steelhead in Battle Creek. Consideration of the "Remove All Dams below Fish Barriers" alternative (i.e., the Eight Dam Removal Alternative) and an explanation as to why this alternative was eliminated from further consideration are addressed under Master Response B in this volume. From:"Della Martin" <dellamartin@sbcglobal.net>To:"Mary Marshall" <mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov>Date:9/8/03 10:32AMSubject:Remove Dams to Save Endangered Salmon on Battle Creek

Della Martin 300 Elk Drive Redding, CA 96003

September 8, 2003

Mary Marshall 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825

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Please consider the following points:

-The Battle Creek Salmon and Steelhead Restoration Project is the best remaining opportunity to restore drought resistant habitat for endangered salmon and steelheadutherefore all dams below the creekÆs natural fish barriers, including Eagle Canyon, should be removed to ensure that the highest levels of salmon recovery are achieved.

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-Minimum stream flows should be increased to the optimum levels identified by scientific studies to restore and maintain fish populations.

-Federal and state laws require the restoration of threatened and endangered species habitat, fish passage around dams, sufficient flows to maintain healthy fisheries, and consideration of the ôRemove All Dams Below Fish Barriersö alternative in the project/Es Environmental Impact Statement.

Sincerely,

Della J. Martin

Comment Letter FL1.2—Della Martin, Redding, California (September 8, 2003)

Response to Comment FL1.2-1

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-1.

Response to Comment FL1.2-2

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-2.

Response to Comment FL1.2-3

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-3.

Response to Comment FL1.2-4

From: To: Date: Subject:

Lindsey Pernell 2500 S St. #2 Sacramento, CA 95816

September 8, 2003

Mary Marshall 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825

Dear Marshall:

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Sincerely,

Lindsey Pernell

Comment Letter FL1.3—Lindsey Pernell, Sacramento, California (September 8, 2003)

Response to Comment FL1.3-1

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Response to Comment FL1.3-2

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-2.

Response to Comment FL1.3-3

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-3.

Response to Comment FL1.3-4

 From:
 "Timothy Lasko" <tim.lasko@fkilogistex.com>

 To:
 "Mary Marshall" <mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov>

 Date:
 9/10/03 3:45PM

 Subject:
 Remove Dams to Save Endangered Salmon on Battle Creek

Timothy Lasko Alvey Systems, Inc. Roseville, CA 95661

September 10, 2003

Mary Marshall 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825

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Sincerely,

Timothy R. Lasko

Comment Letter FL1.4—Timothy R. Lasko, Roseville, California (September 10, 2003)

Response to Comment FL1.4-1

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-1.

Response to Comment FL1.4-2

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-2.

Response to Comment FL1.4-3

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-3.

Response to Comment FL1.4-4

"Jackie Peppard" <jpeppard@rmi.net>

From: To: Date: Subject:

" Mary Marshall" <mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov> 9/10/03 5:03PM Remove Dams to Save Endangered Salmon on Battle Creek

Jackie Peppard 1586 Cornell Way Auburn, CA 95603

September 10, 2003

Mary Marshall 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825

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Sincerely,

Jackie Peppard

Comment Letter FL1.5—Jackie Peppard, Auburn, California (September 10, 2003)

Response to Comment FL1.5-1

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-1.

Response to Comment FL1.5-2

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-2.

Response to Comment FL1.5-3

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-3.

Response to Comment FL1.5-4

From:"Jacqueline Shulters" <jcshulters@aol.com>To:"Mary Marshall" <mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov>Date:9/10/03 6:19PMSubject:Remove Dams to Save Endangered Salmon on Battle Creek

Jacqueline Shulters 1329 SW Abby Lane Grants Pass, OR 97527

September 10, 2003

Mary Marshall 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825

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Sincerely,

Jacqueline C. Shulters

Comment Letter FL1.6—Jacqueline Shulters, Grants Pass, California (September 10, 2003)

Response to Comment FL1.6-1

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-1.

Response to Comment FL1.6-2

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-2.

Response to Comment FL1.6-3

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-3.

Response to Comment FL1.6-4

From: "Tim LaVerne" <tlaverne@planet-save.com> " Mary Marshall" <mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov> Date: 9/10/03 10:14PM Subject: Remove Dams to Save Endangered Salmon on Battle Creek

Tim LaVerne 6512 segovia rd #308 Isla VIsta, CA 93117

To:

September 11, 2003

Mary Marshall 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825

Dear Marshall:

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Sincerely.

Tim LaVerne

Comment Letter FL1.7—Tim LaVerne, Isla Vista, California (September 11, 2003)

Response to Comment FL1.7-1

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-1.

Response to Comment FL1.7-2

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-2.

Response to Comment FL1.7-3

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-3.

Response to Comment FL1.7-4

Nora Marsh 150 Virginia Street Auburn, CA 95603

September 11, 2003

Mary Marshall 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825

Re: Remove Dams to Save Endangered Salmon on Battle Creek

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Comment Letter FL1.8—Nora Marsh, Auburn, California (September 11, 2003)

Response to Comment FL1.8-1

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Response to Comment FL1.8-2

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-2.

Response to Comment FL1.8-3

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Response to Comment FL1.8-4

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September 15, 2003 Div Constant SACRAMENTO

Environmental Specialist Jim Canaday 1001 I Street PO Box 100 Sacramento, CA 95812

Re: Remove Dams to Save Endangered Salmon on Battle Creek

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Sincerely Ll

Kristin Ford

Comment Letter FL1.9—Kristin Ford, Sacramento, California (September 15, 2003)

Response to Comment FL1.9-1

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-1.

Response to Comment FL1.9-2

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-2.

Response to Comment FL1.9-3

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-3.

Response to Comment FL1.9-4

"Clare Broussard" <clare@pcz.com> From: "Mary Marshall" <mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov> 9/16/03 10:13AM Date: Remove Dams to Save Endangered Salmon on Battle Creek Subject:

Clare Broussard P.O. Box 1144 Occidental, CA 95465

To:

September 16, 2003

Mary Marshall 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825

Dear Marshall:

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Clare Broussard

Comment Letter FL1.10—Clare Broussard, Occidental, California (September 16, 2003)

Response to Comment FL1.10-1

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Response to Comment FL1.10-2

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-2.

Response to Comment FL1.10-3

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Response to Comment FL1.10-4

"Mary Marcus" <threemarcus@earthlink.net> " Mary Marshall" <mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov> 9/16/03 12:00PM Subject: Remove Dams to Save Endangered Salmon on Battle Creek

Mary Marcus 14728 Eagle Nest Lane Guerneville, CA 95446

From:

Date:

To:

September 16, 2003

Mary Marshall 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825

Dear Marshall:

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Mary Marcus

Comment Letter FL1.11—Mary Marcus, Guerneville, California (September 16, 2003)

Response to Comment FL1.11-1

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-1.

Response to Comment FL1.11-2

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-2.

Response to Comment FL1.11-3

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-3.

Response to Comment FL1.11-4

From:"Milan Cole" <mc@ekani.com>To:" Mary Marshall" <mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov>Date:9/16/03 1:55PMSubject:Remove Dams to Save Endangered Salmon on Battle Creek

Milan Cole 129 Los Angeles Ave Oxnard, CA 93035

September 16, 2003

Mary Marshall 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825

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Sincerely,

Milan Cole

Comment Letter FL1.12—Milan Cole, Oxnard, California (September 16, 2003)

Response to Comment FL1.12-1

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-1.

Response to Comment FL1.12-2

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-2.

Response to Comment FL1.12-3

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-3.

Response to Comment FL1.12-4



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Environmental Specialist Jim Canaday 1001 I Street PO Box 100 Sacramento, CA 95812

Re: Remove Dams to Save Endangered Salmon on Battle Creek

Dear Environmental Specialist Canaday:

Battle Creek's once thriving salmon and steelhead runs have been brought to the edge of extinction by ill-conceived dams which did not provide for efficient fish passage. Any expenditure of public dollars related to these dams should be used to fully restore these runs. Please consider the following steps:

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Sincerely,

Douglas H. Latimer

P.S. I am a landowner on Mill Creek, and a bourd member of the Mill Creek Conservancy. The branching of Clough Dam on Mill Creek has resulted in dramatically in peused Salanda Former.

- 617 Veterans Blvd, Suite 213 • Redwood City, CA 94063 • Tel (650) 366-6099 • Fax (650) 366-6098 —

Comment Letter FL1.13—Douglas H. Latimer, Redwood City, California (September 17, 2003)

Response to Comment FL1.13-1

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-1.

Response to Comment FL1.13-2

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-2.

Response to Comment FL1.13-3

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-3.

Response to Comment FL1.13-4

Robert Lesko 28 Avenue B New York, NY 10009

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Robert Lesko

Comment Letter FL1.14—Robert Lesko, New York, New York (September 19, 2003)

Response to Comment FL1.14-1

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-1.

Response to Comment FL1.14-2

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-2.

Response to Comment FL1.14-3

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-3.

Response to Comment FL1.14-4

Howard Robinson 8758 Venice Blvd #200 Los Angeles, CA 90034

September 26, 2003

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Mary Marshall 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825

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Howard Robinson

Comment Letter FL1.15—Howard Robinson, Los Angeles, California (September 26, 2003)

Response to Comment FL1.15-1

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-1.

Response to Comment FL1.15-2

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-2.

Response to Comment FL1.15-3

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-3.

Response to Comment FL1.15-4



Jeremy Sarrow

Environmental Science Associates 436 14th Suite 600 Oakland, CA 94612

October 9, 2003

Environmental Specialist Jim Canaday 1001 I Street PO Box 100 Sacramento, CA 95812

Rc: Remove Dams to Save Endangered Salmon on Battle Creek

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Sincerely.

Jeremy Sarrow Fisheries Biologist

Comment Letter FL1.16—Jeremy Sarrow, Oakland, California (October 9, 2003)

Response to Comment FL1.16-1

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-1.

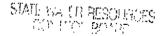
Response to Comment FL1.16-2

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-2.

Response to Comment FL1.16-3

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-3.

Response to Comment FL1.16-4



3801 Michigan Ave, Corning, CA 96021

2003 OCT 17 PM 2:35

October 15, 2003

SACRAMENTO

Mr. Jim Canaday, State Water Resources Control Board, 1001 "1" Street, Sacramento. CA 95814

Dear Mr. Canaday

This is to inform you that we wish our public dollars to be used to restore endangered salmon and steelhead by eliminating all dams below natural fish barriers - particularly the Eagle Canyon dam - and by increasing flows to optimum levels needed to restore and maintain healthy fish populations.

The Battle Creek Salmon and Steelhead Restoration Project is the best remaining opportunity to restore drought resistant habitat for endangered salmon and steelhead - therefore all dams below the creek's natural fish barriers, including Eagle Canyon, should be removed to ensure the highest level of salmon recovery.

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Thank you,

Tom and Angela Kraemer

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Comment Letter FL1.17—Tom and Angela Kraemer, Corning, California (October 15, 2003)

Response to Comment FL1.17-1

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-1.

Response to Comment FL1.17-2

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-3.

Response to Comment FL1.17-3

Date:

Ms. Mary Marshall Bureau of Reclamation 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825 Mr. Jim Canaday State Water Resources Control Board 1001 "I" Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Comments on Battle Creek Restoration Project Draft EIS/R

Dear Ms. Marshall and Mr. Canaday:

I support full restoration of Battle Creek's threatened and endangered salmon and steelhead. Battle Creek represents the best opportunity to restore salmon and steelhead habitat in the entire Sacramento River watershed. Unfortunately, the preferred alternative identified in the Battle Creek Draft EIS/R does not go far enough in restoring salmon and steelhead habitat.

I support removal of all dams below the creek's natural fish barriers, including the Eagle Canyon dam, to ensure the highest level of salmon recovery. Removing all eight dams below the creek's natural fish barriers is a smarter, more efficient use of public dollars than using those same dollars to modernize PG&E's facilities.

In addition, I support increasing minimum stream flows for salmon and steelhead to the optimum levels identified by existing scientific studies to restore and maintain fish populations.

Federal and state laws require the restoration of threatened and endangered species habitat, fish passage around dams, sufficient flows to maintain healthy fisheries, and consideration of the "Remove All Dams Below Fish Barriers" alternative in the draft EIS/R.

Insert personal comments here

Please inform me of any decisions you may make concerning this important project.

Sincerely,

Name:

Street Address:

City/State/Zip

Phone Number: ____

Email Address: ____

Form Letter 2

Form Letter 2 includes 209 letters with identical comments typed at the top of the letter and a comment box below for individuals to add personal comments. Out of these 209 letters, 148 of the comment letters (FL2.1 through FL2.148) did not include personal comments in the comment box that was available on each form letter. A list of all individuals who submitted Form Letter 2 is presented in Table 9-2.

Because Reclamation and the State Water Board received a large volume of Form Letter 2 without personal comments, and because the comments provided in comment letters FL2.1 through FL2.148 are identical, only one example of this letter (FL2) is provided here, rather than a copy of each form letter, followed by a response to Comment FL2-1 to address the comments presented in form letters FL2.1 through FL2.148.

The remaining 61 letters that did provide personal comments in the empty comment box on Form Letter 2 are included in this chapter. Comment letters FL2.149 through FL2.209 follow the response to Comment FL2-1. Each comment letter is followed by responses to the comments identified in each letter.

Response to Comment FL2-1

The Proposed Action, i.e., the Five Dam Removal Alternative, will substantially improve habitat in Battle Creek for Chinook salmon and steelhead compared to existing conditions under PG&E's current FERC license (No. 1121). The Five Dam Removal Alternative would restore approximately 42 miles of anadromous fish habitat in Battle Creek and 6 miles of habitat in its tributaries by removing five diversion dams, improving fish passage around three diversion dams, and increasing minimum instream flows.

Minimum instream flows would be increased considerably under the Proposed Action. The existing FERC license requires minimum instream flows of 3 cfs and 5 cfs in North Fork and South Fork Battle Creek, respectively. The Five Dam Removal Alternative would increase minimum instream flows from 3 cfs to 35 cfs in the North Fork, and from 5 cfs to 40 cfs in the South Fork. Minimum instream flows identified for the Proposed Action were approved by state and federal fish resource agencies, including DFG, USFWS, and NOAA Fisheries.

Federal and state laws do not require the restoration of threatened and endangered species habitat, although habitat restoration is useful in preventing extinction. The Restoration Project and other projects in the CALFED Bay-Delta Program are improving fish habitat in the Sacramento River system because they choose to do so. As described in the discussion under Relationship of the Restoration Project to the CALFED Bay-Delta Program in Chapter 1 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR, the Restoration Project is identified in the CALFED ROD (August 2000) (CALFED Bay-Delta Program 2000b) as a fish passage action in support of the CALFED ERP. The ERP Strategic Plan for Ecosystem Restoration (CALFED Bay-Delta Program 1999) identifies three Battle Creek Stage 1 Actions from which the Restoration Project tiers, including:

- Action 1: Improve fish migration by removing diversion dams, upgrading fish passage facilities, and screening diversions.
- Action 2: Improve instream flows in lower Battle Creek to provide adequate passage flows.
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Form Letter 2.149—Nicole L. Aghazorian, Stockton, California, (September 13, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.149-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.149-2

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Form Letter 2.150—Bruce Becker, Castro Valley, California, (September 13, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.150-1

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Response to Comment FL2.150-2

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Form Letter 2.151—Nick K.C.*, Stockton, California, (September 13, 2003)

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Form Letter 2.152—Thomas Hughes, San Francisco, California, (September 13, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.152-1

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Response to Comment FL2.152-2

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Form Letter 2.153—Debbie Melahn, Sparks, NV, (September 13, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.153-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.153-2

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Form Letter 2.154—Margrit Petrofsky, Los Gatos, California, (September 13, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.154-1

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Response to Comment FL2.154-2

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Form Letter 2.155—Gordon Beaker, Kensington, CA, (September 14, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.155-1

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Response to Comment FL2.155-2

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Form Letter 2.156—Meadow Barr, Mt. Shasta, CA, (September 15, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.156-1

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Form Letter 2.157—Janet B. Cook, Redwood City, CA, (September 27, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.157-1

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Form Letter 2.158—Kenneth Howell, Montara, CA, (September 27, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.158-1

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Form Letter 2.159—Kevin Jack, Napa, CA, (September 27, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.159-1

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Form Letter 2.160—King Lamadora, Daly City, CA, (September 27, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.160-1

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Form Letter 2.161—Dylan Morrison, San Francisco, CA, (September 27, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.161-1

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Response to Comment FL2.161-2

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Form Letter 2.162—Ayako K. Nagano, Berkeley, CA, (September 27, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.162-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.162-2

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Form Letter 2.163—Michael Riordan, Soquel, CA, (September 27, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.163-1

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Form Letter 2.164—Eric Stromme, Sitka, AK, (September 27, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.164-1

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Response to Comment FL2.164-2

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Sincerely,
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Form Letter 2.165—Wendy Tanowitz, Ross, CA, (September 27, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.165-1

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Form Letter 2.166—Susan Tobin, Pacifica, CA, (September 27, 2003)

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Form Letter 2.167—Lynn Tringali, San Jose, CA, (September 27, 2003)

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Form Letter 2.168—Robert Goff, San Rafael, CA, (September 28, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.168-1

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Response to Comment FL2.168-2

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Email Address:

Form Letter 2.169—G. Hamada, Palo Alto, CA, (September 28, 2003)

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Form Letter 2.170—Walter Hatfield, Fair Oaks, CA, (October, 11, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.170-1

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Form Letter 2.171—Babette Henry-Tasker, Rancho Cordova, CA, (October, 11, 2003)

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Form Letter 2.172—Ali H. Jafari, Sacramento, CA, (October, 11, 2003)

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Form Letter 2.174—Parker Engquist (Age 6), Fair Oaks, CA, (October, 12, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.174-1

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Form Letter 2.175—Tyler Engquist (Age 8), Fair Oaks, CA, (October, 12, 2003)

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Form Letter 2.176—Greg Ungelbach, Campbell, CA, (October, 12, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.176-1

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Response to Comment FL2.176-2

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Form Letter 2.177—Jennifer Bloome, Auburn, CA, (October, 13, 2003)

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Form Letter 2.178—David G. Graves, Sacramento, CA, (October, 13, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.178-1

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Response to Comment FL2.178-2

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Form Letter 2.179—Lorraine Luna, Sacramento, CA, (October, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.179-1

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Form Letter 2.180—Shirley Arington, Sunnyvale, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.180-1

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Form Letter 2.181—Shannon Bigelson, Fair Oaks, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.181-1

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Form Letter 2.182—Eileen Bowden, San Jose, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.182-1

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Form Letter 2.183—James A. Bryant, Jr., Roseville, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.183-1

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Form Letter 2.184—Allen Delay, Livermore, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.184-1

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Form Letter 2.185—Peter Drekmeier, Palo Alto, CA, (no date)

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Form Letter 2.186—Joe Geddes, (no date)

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Form Letter 2.187—Robert Godwin, Cameron Park, CA, (no date)

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Form Letter 2.188—Eddy Helmer, Antelope, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.188-1

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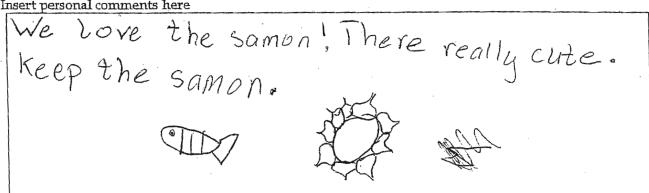
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Form Letter 2.189—Alyssa Higgins (and Jessica Heskin), Rancho Cordova, CA, (no date)

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Form Letter 2.190—Jessica Howard, Shingle Springs, CA, (no date)

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Form Letter 2.191—Penny Howard, Shingle Springs, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.191-1

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Form Letter 2.192—Meg M. Johnson, Sacramento, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.192-1

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Response to Comment FL2.192-2

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Form Letter 2.193—Sharin Joy, San Francisco, CA, (no date)

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Form Letter 2.194—Marsha Mobley Kilian, Rocklin, CA, (no date)

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Form Letter 2.195—Christa Lindsey, Rancho Cordova, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.195-1

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Form Letter 2.196—Jonathan McClelland, Santa Rosa, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.196-1

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Response to Comment FL2.196-2

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Form Letter 2.197—Julia McIver, Sacramento, CA, (no date)

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Form Letter 2.198—Linda Mollenhauer Me*, Sebastopol, CA, (no date)

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Form Letter 2.199—Candy Reeves, Sacramento, CA, (no date)

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Form Letter 2.200—Isabel M. Rios, San Jose, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.200-1

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Form Letter 2.201—Jessica Ryan, Rancho Cordova, CA, (no date)

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Form Letter 2.202—Ruby Sirmons, Rancho Cordova, CA, (no date)

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Form Letter 2.203—Michael D. Sowd*, Soquel, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.203-1

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Form Letter 2.204—Margie Tomenko, Carmichael, CA, (no date)

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Form Letter 2.205—Linda Vance, Emeryville, CA, (no date)

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Form Letter 2.206—Walter Washington, Minden, NV, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.206-1

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Response to Comment FL2.206-2

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Form Letter 2.207—Pat Watters, San Mateo, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.207-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.207-2

Thank you for the comment. This comment has been noted. Please see Master Response B in this volume for a comparison of the Eight Dam Removal Alternative (i.e., remove all diversion dams below the natural fish barriers) and the Five Dam Removal Alternative. This discussion explains why the Five Dam Removal Alternative was selected as the Proposed Action for the Restoration Project, and why the Eight Dam Removal Alternative was eliminated from further consideration.

Please Fully Restore Salmon & Steelhead On Battle Creek!

Date:

Ms. Mary Marshall Bureau of Reclamation 2800 Cottage Way Sacramento, CA 95825

Mr. Jim Canaday State Water Resources Control Board 1001 "I" Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Comments on Battle Creek Restoration Project Draft EIS/R

Dear Ms. Marshall and Mr. Canaday:

I support full restoration of Battle Creek's threatened and endangered salmon and steelhead. Battle Creek represents the best opportunity to restore salmon and steelhead habitat in the entire Sacramento River watershed. Unfortunately, the preferred alternative identified in the Battle Creek Draft EIS/R does not go far enough in restoring salmon and steelhead habitat.

I support removal of all dams below the creek's natural fish barriers, including the Eagle Canyon dam, to ensure the highest level of salmon recovery. Removing all eight dams below the creek's natural fish barriers is a smarter, more efficient use of public dollars than using those same dollars to modernize PG&E's facilities.

In addition, I support increasing minimum stream flows for salmon and steelhead to the optimum levels identified by existing scientific studies to restore and maintain fish populations.

Federal and state laws require the restoration of threatened and endangered species habitat, fish passage around dams, sufficient flows to maintain healthy fisheries, and consideration of the "Remove All Dams Below Fish Barriers" alternative in the draft EIS/R.

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Form Letter 2.208—Richard Weiss, Oakland, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.208-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.208-2

Thank you for the comment. One of the objectives of the Restoration Project is to restore self-sustaining populations of Chinook salmon and steelhead by restoring 48 miles of prime salmon and steelhead habitat in the Battle Creek watershed (42 miles of habitat on Battle Creek, plus an additional 6 miles of habitat on its tributaries), improving access to this habitat, and increasing instream flow in Battle Creek. The Proposed Action will meet this objective by removing five diversion dams, improving fish passage around three diversion dams, and increasing instream flows in Battle Creek. This comment has been noted.

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Federal and state laws require the restoration of threatened and endangered species habitat, fish passage around dams, sufficient flows to maintain healthy fisheries, and consideration of the "Remove All Dams Below Fish Barriers" alternative in the draft EIS/R.

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Form Letter 2.209—Shelley Wrigley, Roseville, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.209-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.209-2

Please <u>Fully Restore</u> Salmon & Steelhead Habitat On Battle Creek!

Date:

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Re: Comments on Battle Creek Restoration Project SEIS/REIR

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I support removal of all dams below the creek's natural fish barriers, including the Eagle Canyon dam, to ensure the highest level of salmon recovery. Removing all eight dams below the creek's natural fish barriers is a smarter, more efficient use of public dollars than using those same dollars to modernize PG&E's facilities. In addition, the "Remove All Dams Below Fish Barriers" alternative saves public money by reducing costs for mitigation, project operation, and adaptive management.

Federal and state laws require restoration of threatened and endangered species habitat, fish passage around dams, sufficient flows to maintain healthy fisheries, and full consideration of the "Remove All Dams Below Fish Barriers" alternative in the SEIS/REIR.

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Form Letter 3

Reclamation and the State Water Board received 96 copies of Form Letter 3. Each form letter was received with identical comments typed at the top of the letter and room at the bottom of the letter for the commenter to add his/her name, address, phone number, and email address. None of these form letters contained personal comments; therefore, each comment letter will be addressed by the following response to Comment FL3-1. A list of all individuals who submitted Form Letter 3 is shown in Table 9-3.

Response to Comment FL3-1

This response assumes that the commentor is referring to the Eight Dam Removal Alternative, which includes the removal of Eagle Canyon, North Battle Creek, and Inskip Diversion Dams in addition to the five dams proposed under the Restoration Project's Proposed Action (i.e., the Five Dam Removal Alternative). As mentioned in Chapter 3 of the Draft Supplemental EIS/Revised EIR and in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR, the Eight Dam Removal Alternative was eliminated from further consideration because it did not meet the objective of the Restoration Project to minimize the loss of hydroelectric power. Master Response B in this volume presents more information describing the analysis of the Eight Dam Removal Alternative compared to the Five Dam Removal Alternative.

With respect to the comment to remove the Eagle Canyon Diversion Dam, specifically, removal of this dam was analyzed in this EIS/EIR under the Six Dam Removal Alternative. Many factors were considered when determining which dams to leave in place and which to remove, including the accessibility of the dams, the incremental biological benefits, and the maintenance of a reliable Hydroelectric Project. Although there is a certain amount of biological uncertainty associated with leaving any of the dams in place, it is expected that the fish facilities constructed at each of these dams would provide safe fish passage comparable to the conditions that would occur if the dams were removed. Much research has gone into designing state-of-the-art fish passage facilities at each of the dams that would be left in place, including Eagle Canyon Diversion Dam. All fish ladder and fish screen designs were approved by the fishery agencies (i.e., DFG and NOAA Fisheries). Therefore, removal of the Eagle Canyon Diversion Dam would not represent a significant improvement in habitat or passage conditions over those predicted for the Five Dam Removal Alternative.

Because the incremental biological benefit of removing an additional dam would be small, further consideration was given to other factors in selecting the Proposed Action, namely, the ability of an alternative to minimize the loss of hydroelectric power and maintain a reliable Hydroelectric Project. Because the Five Dam Removal Alternative minimizes the loss of hydroelectric power, provides a lower cost alternative to PG&E's customers, and maintains a more reliable Hydroelectric Project, it was selected as the Proposed Action. For more information regarding the effects of the action alternatives on hydropower generation and system reliability, see Section 4.16 in Volume I of this Final EIS/EIR. For additional information regarding the factors considered in selecting which dams to remove as well as a discussion of the Eight Dam Removal Alternative, see Master Response B in Chapter 2 in this volume.