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/Revised EIR

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August 5, 2003

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Mr. Jim Canaday
State Water Resources Control Board
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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.
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.
7. 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).
8. Reestablish acceptable drainage patterns.
9. Protect and refurbish the gravel road which runs alongside the open section of the canal.
10. Replace with seedlings the trees that have been removed and or damaged through the original construction, and operation of the system
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
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 I1-3l

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 I1-3o

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.
August 11, 2003

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Mr. Jim Canaday
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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 carries 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.

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1. Removing all of the steel pipe
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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 upslope 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
15. Close the culvert under Wildcat road.
16. 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, 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.

Hoface Crawford
Peggy Crawford
Peggy Crawford
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

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Response to Comment I2-3d

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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 I2-3l

Please see the response to Comment I1-3l.

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 I2-3o

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 I1-3o.

Response to Comment I2-3q

Please see the response to Comment I1-3p.
From: "Daniel Efseaff" <defseaff@riverpartners.org>
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Date: 9/9/03 8:26AM
Subject: 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

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

Dear Ms. Marshall:

Now is the opportunity 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 antiquated hydroelectric facilities there.

If only one obstacle remains on the creek, the benefits of restoration are minimalized. 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 opinion 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,

[Signature]
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.
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 Battle Creek Restoration Project draft Environmental Impact Statement and Report. 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,

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 7:47PM
Subject: 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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http://sitebuilder.yahoo.com
Comment Letter I6—Dinda Evans, Sacramento, CA (September 18, 2003)

Response to Comment I6-1

See the response to Comment I3-1.
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.
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 anadromous 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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http://sitebuilder.yahoo.com
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.
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 Canyon 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,

Bradley Owens
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.
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 inadequate 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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Anderson, CA 96007
(530) 365-5852 (phone & fax #)
madgic@charter.net

Mary Marshall
Bureau of Reclamation
2800 Cottage Way
Sacramento, CA

October 7, 2003

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,

Bob Madgic, author, A Guide to California's Freshwater Fishes
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 2:40PM
Subject: 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

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

[Signature]
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.
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 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.

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.
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 11:07AM
Subject: 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 populations is
the removal of all dams below natural fish barriers and the concomitant
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>
To: <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.
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 opportunities 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,

[Signature]

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.
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 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.

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* The handwriting on this form letter was difficult to read. This may not be the correct 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.
Mary Marshall  
2800 Cottage Way  
Sacramento, CA 95825

Re: Remove Dams to Save Endangered Salmon on Battle Creek

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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 10:32AM
Subject: 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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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
Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-4.
From: "Lindsey Pernell" <linzp78@hotmail.com>
To: "Mary Marshall" <mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov>
Date: 9/8/03 12:42PM
Subject: Remove Dams to Save Endangered Salmon on Battle Creek

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

September 8, 2003

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2800 Cottage Way
Sacramento, CA 95825

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

Response to Comment FL1.3-1

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

Response to Comment FL1.3-2

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Response to Comment FL1.3-3

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

Response to Comment FL1.3-4

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-4.
From: "Timothy Lasko" <tim.lasko@fkiologistex.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

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2800 Cottage Way
Sacramento, CA 95825

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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

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Response to Comment FL1.4-3

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Response to Comment FL1.4-4

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-4.
From: "Jackie Peppard" <jpeppard@rmi.net>
To: "Mary Marshall" <mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov>
Date: 9/10/03 5:03PM
Subject: 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

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Response to Comment FL1.5-3

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Response to Comment FL1.5-4

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-4.
From: "Jacqueline Shulters" <jcshulters@aol.com>
To: "Mary Marshall" <mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov>
Date: 9/10/03 6:19PM
Subject: 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
Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-4.
From: "Tim LaVerne" <tiaverne@planet-save.com>
To: "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 Vlsta, CA 93117

September 11, 2003

Mary Marshall
2800 Cottage Way
Sacramento, CA 95825

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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

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Response to Comment FL1.7-3

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Response to Comment FL1.7-4

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-4.
Nora Marsh  
150 Virginia Street  
Auburn, CA 95603  

September 11, 2003

Mary Marshall  
2800 Cottage Way  
Sacramento, CA 95825

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Sincerely,

[Signature]

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

Response to Comment FL1.8-1

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

Response to Comment FL1.8-2

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

Response to Comment FL1.8-3

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

Response to Comment FL1.8-4

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Sincerely,

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

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-4.
From: "Clare Broussard" <clare@pcz.com>
To: "Mary Marshall" <mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov>
Date: 9/16/03 10:13AM
Subject: Remove Dams to Save Endangered Salmon on Battle Creek

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

September 16, 2003

Mary Marshall
2800 Cottage Way
Sacramento, CA 95825

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Sincerely,

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

Response to Comment FL1.10-1

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

Response to Comment FL1.10-2

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

Response to Comment FL1.10-3

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

Response to Comment FL1.10-4

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-4.
From: "Mary Marcus" <threemarcus@earthlink.net>
To: "Mary Marshall" <mmarsh@mp.usbr.gov>
Date: 9/16/03 12:00PM
Subject: Remove Dams to Save Endangered Salmon on Battle Creek

Mary Marcus
14728 Eagle Nest Lane
Guerneville, CA 95446

September 16, 2003

Mary Marshall
2800 Cottage Way
Sacramento, CA 95825

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Sincerely,

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
Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-4.
From: "Milan Cole" <mc@ekani.com>
To: "Mary Marshall" <nmars@mp.usbr.gov>
Date: 9/16/03 1:55PM
Subject: 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

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-4.
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,

[Signature]

Douglas H. Latimer

P.S. I am a landowner on Mill Creek, and a board member of the Mill Creek Conservancy. The breached Clough Dam on Mill Creek has resulted in dramatically improved salmon runs.
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

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-4.
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2800 Cottage Way  
Sacramento, CA  95825  

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Sincerely,  

Robert Lesko

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

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Response to Comment FL1.14-4

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Sincerely,

[Signature]

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
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1001 I Street  
PO Box 100  
Sacramento, CA 95812

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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

Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-4.
Mr. Jim Canaday,
State Water Resources Control Board,
1001 "I" Street,
Sacramento,
CA 95814

Dear Mr. Canaday

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Thank you,

Tom and Angela Kraemer

[Signatures]
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
Please see the response to Comment FL1.1-4.
Please **Fully Restore** Salmon & Steelhead On Battle Creek!

Date:

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Bureau of Reclamation
2800 Cottage Way
Sacramento, CA 95825

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1001 “I” Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

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

Sincerely,

Nicole L. Agazarian

7559 Lighthouse Dr.

Stockton, Ca., 95219

Phone Number: 209 - 956 - 0691

Email Address: Babbsplace@Hotmail.com
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

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.
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Date: 9/12/03

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Bureau of Reclamation
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Insert personal comments here

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

Sincerely,

Name: Bruce Becker

Street Address: 20885 Redwood Rd. #122

City/State/Zip: Castro Valley, CA 94546

Phone Number: 510-581-9719

Email Address: Juicy bb@Hotmail.com
Form Letter 2.150—Bruce Becker, Castro Valley, California, (September 13, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.150-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.150-2

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.
Battle Creek Salmon and Steelhead Restoration Project
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**Insert personal comments here**

Please remove the dams below the natural fish barriers.

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

Sincerely,

Name: [Signature]

Street Address: 7559 Lighthouse Dr

City/State/Zip: Stockton, CA 95219

Phone Number: 209 956 6691

Email Address: ace@aceprogramer.com
Form Letter 2.151—Nick K.C.*, Stockton, California, (September 13, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.151-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.151-2

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Insert personal comments here

Save the salmon

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

Sincerely,

Thomas Hughes

Name: Thomas Hughes

Street Address: 1607 12th Ave

City/State/Zip: San Francisco CA 94122

Phone Number: 415 516 2622

Email Address: ________________________________
Form Letter 2.152—Thomas Hughes, San Francisco, California, (September 13, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.152-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.152-2

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Insert personal comments here

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

Response to Comment FL2.153-1

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Response to Comment FL2.153-2

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Save the Salmon!

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Sincerely,

Name: Margrit Pitrofsky
Street Address: PO Box 425
City/State/Zip: LOS GATOS CA 95031
Phone Number: (408)354-0175
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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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Sincerely,

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Phone Number: _______________________

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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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Email Address: Meadow@SnowCrest.net
Form Letter 2.156—Meadow Barr, Mt. Shasta, CA, (September 15, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.156-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.156-2

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Insert personal comments here

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Sincerely,

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

Response to Comment FL2.157-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.157-2

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Sincerely,

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City/State/Zip: MONTANA, CA 99037

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Email Address: KENNY @ CARLKBAY.COM
Response to Comment FL2.158-1

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Response to Comment FL2.158-2

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Sincerely,

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

Response to Comment FL2.159-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.159-2

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Insert personal comments here

LET'S KEEP OUR FISHING ALIVE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS.

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Sincerely,

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City/State/Zip: Damascus, OR

Phone Number: 503-378-0432

Email Address: 1ng@ol.com
Form Letter 2.160—King Lamadora, Daly City, CA, (September 27, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.160-1

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Response to Comment FL2.160-2

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I agree

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Sincerely,

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Response to Comment FL2.161-1

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Response to Comment FL2.161-2

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The River
Please help save the life of the river.

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

Response to Comment FL2.162-1

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Response to Comment FL2.162-2

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The salmon need all the help we can give them. Please provide...

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Sincerely,

[Signature]

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City/State/Zip: Soquel, CA 95073
Phone Number: ___________________________
Email Address: ___________________________
Form Letter 2.163—Michael Riordan, Soquel, CA, (September 27, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.163-1

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Response to Comment FL2.163-2

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

Sincerely,

Wendy Tanowitz

PO Box 361
Ross, CA 94957

Phone Number:

Email Address:
Form Letter 2.165—Wendy Tanowitz, Ross, CA, (September 27, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.165-1

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Insert personal comments here

Please remove more dams — allow fish
Create ladders to spawning
Good habitat for spawning

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Sincerely,

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

Response to Comment FL2.166-1

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I am strongly in favor of taking out as many dams as possible in order to promote salmon spawning. Let's protect our precious wildlife! [Signature]

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

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Name: [Signature]

Street Address: 1317 Greenwich St.

City/State/Zip: San Jose, CA 95125

Phone Number: ____________________________

Email Address: ____________________________
Form Letter 2.167—Lynn Tringali, San Jose, CA, (September 27, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.167-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.167-2

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Date: 9-28-03

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Insert personal comments here

Thank you for removing these dams!

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

Sincerely,

Name: [Handwritten: Robert Stoff]

Street Address: 42 HiLesfit Dr

City/State/Zip: San Rafael, CA 94901

Phone Number: 415-845-3905

Email Address: soyride@hotmail.com
Form Letter 2.168—Robert Goff, San Rafael, CA, (September 28, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.168-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.168-2

Thank you for the comment. This comment has been noted.
Date: September 28/07

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Insert personal comments here

we need our salmon, please remove
the dams.

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

Sincerely,

Name: H Tamada
Street Address: 1475 Webster St.
City/State/Zip: Palo Alto, CA
Phone Number: 650-330-1475
Email Address:

Response to Comment FL2.169-1

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Response to Comment FL2.169-2

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Insert personal comments here

As a paddler I believe it is crucial to restore rivers to their natural state. In addition, I always vote for individuals who support these projects.

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

Sincerely,

Name: Walter Hatfield
Street Address: 3832 Lindley Lane #622
City/State/Zip: Fair Oaks CA 95628
Phone Number:
Email Address:

Response to Comment FL2.170-1

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Response to Comment FL2.170-2

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Insert personal comments here

The dams are obsolete, please remove them so the salmon can spawn.

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

Sincerely,

Name: Babette Henry - Tasker

Street Address: 10671 Audubon Way

City/State/Zip: Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Phone Number: 916 631-8639

Email Address: __________________________

Response to Comment FL2.171-1

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Insert personal comments here

I think take care of environment should be number one priority. I support you to take this decision to go head and do the job well done. Good luck, and God bless you.

10/11/2003

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

Sincerely,

Name: Ali H. Jafari

Street Address: 2456 Larkspur Lane, #333

City/State/Zip: Sacramento, CA 95825

Phone Number: (916) 489-2545

Email Address: alihj@ymail.com

Response to Comment FL2.172-1

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Response to Comment FL2.172-2

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Insert personal comments here

Please save the salmon! There endangered!

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

Sincerely,

Name: Madison Kilian age 9
Street Address: 4420 Vivian Wy
City/State/Zip: Rocklin California 95765
Phone Number: 630-65418
Email Address: Bookworm@starstream.net

Response to Comment FL2.173-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.173-2

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Date: Oct 12, 2008

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Insert personal comments here

you shud break the dam we love fish

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

Sincerely,

Name: Parker Enquist

Street Address: 7063 Orangewood Dr.

City/State/Zip: Folsom, CA 95630

Phone Number: 916-965-7922

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

Response to Comment FL2.174-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.174-2

Thank you for the comment. This comment has been noted.
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I think that the salmon have a hard time living because of the pollution in the water here. So I also want to destroy some dam so they don’t have boundaries and they can have more room to lay there eggs.

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

Sincerely,

Name: Tyler Engquist
Street Address: 3963 Ordway Ave, Dr.
City/State/Zip: Fair Oaks, CA 95628
Phone Number: 916-965-7822
Email Address: ___________________________
Form Letter 2.175—Tyler Engquist (Age 8), Fair Oaks, CA, (October, 12, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.175-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.175-2

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Please help keep our rivers flowing
River Love!

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

Sincerely,

Name: Greg Angelback

Street Address: 1113 Erin Way
City/State/Zip: Campbell CA 95008
Phone Number: 408 369-1649
Email Address: SnoSurf18@excite.com
Form Letter 2.176—Greg Ungelbach, Campbell, CA, (October, 12, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.176-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.176-2

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Let's undo the damage we have brought upon the salmonid population. Please strongly consider removing ALL the dams on Battle Creek.

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

Sincerely,

Name: Jennifer Bourne

Street Address: 50 Virginia St.

City/State/Zip: Auburn, CA 95603

Phone Number: _______________________________

Email Address: jbourne@californiawild.org
Form Letter 2.177—Jennifer Bloome, Auburn, CA, (October, 13, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.177-1

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Response to Comment FL2.177-2

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Insert personal comments here

Along the entire length of the west coast, the once magnificent salmon runs have been decimated. The salmon, a symbol of great importance to many Californians, needs our help to recover and ultimately survive. The current state of our rivers with many, many dams are not helping the plight of the once innumerable salmon. The best way to help the salmon survive and recover is removing dams preventing their passage up and down streams and rivers and increasing minimum stream flows. For these reasons, I support the "Remove All Dams Below Fish Barriers" alternative in the draft EIS/R.

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

Sincerely,  

[Signature]

Name: David G. Graves

Street Address: 2606 1/2 J St., Apt. B

City/State/Zip: Sacramento, CA 95816

Phone Number: (916) 448-3546

Email Address: sevarg@excite.com
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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Date: 12/10/2003

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Insert personal comments here

[Handwritten note: Come to the Nimbus Dam & I saw how salmon swam up a current stream for prey]

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

Sincerely,

Name: Lorraine [Signature]

Street Address: 21050 Fair Oaks Blvd #9

City/State/Zip: [Signature]

Phone Number: [Signature]

Email Address: whitingt [Signature]
Form Letter 2.179—Lorraine Luna, Sacramento, CA, (October, 2003)

Response to Comment FL2.179-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.179-2

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Insert personal comments here

When we are given the opportunity to return to nature what belongs to her with little impact to us, we are fools to let the opportunity slip by. Let’s not be foolish.

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

Sincerely,

Shirley Arington

854 E. California Ave
Sunnyvale, CA 94086

408-654-7359

Arington@svbank.com
Form Letter 2.180—Shirley Arington, Sunnyvale, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.180-1

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Response to Comment FL2.180-2

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Insert personal comments here

Briefly, this plan seems to be both cost effective and more environmentally sound.

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

Sincerely,

Name: 
Street Address: 8842 Winding Way, 
City/State/Zip: 
Phone Number: 
Email Address:
Form Letter 2.181—Shannon Bigelson, Fair Oaks, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.181-1

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Response to Comment FL2.181-2

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Insert personal comments here

[Handwritten: I believe this precious resource - our salmon - needs all the help & removal of these dams!]

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

Sincerely,

Eileen Boude

Name:

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City/State/Zip: San Jose, CA 95135

Phone Number: (408) 592-1384

Email Address: butterfly@att.net
Form Letter 2.182—Eileen Bowden, San Jose, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.182-1

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Response to Comment FL2.182-2

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My family and I believe that these dams really serve no purpose, and will decline. If we lose wild life at all we should do our part to assure our children can see the same wonder we have as adults.

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Sincerely,

Name: James A. Bryant

Street Address: 800 Micro Ct 785

City/State/Zip: Roseville, CA 95678

Phone Number: (916) 772-7077

Email Address: James.B-99@msn.com
Form Letter 2.183—James A. Bryant, Jr., Roseville, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.183-1

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Response to Comment FL2.183-2

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Insert personal comments here

Renew Dams to improve Salmon Habitat

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

Sincerely, Allen Delay
Name:

Street Address: 1202 Brookdale Ln
City/State/Zip: Livermore, CA 94551
Phone Number: 925-606-9100

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

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Response to Comment FL2.184-2

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Insert personal comments here

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

Sincerely,

Name: Peter Drekieve
Street Address: 3153 Stelling Dr.
City/State/Zip: Placerville, CA 95667
Phone Number: 650-223-3306

Email Address: __________________________
Form Letter 2.185—Peter Drekmeier, Palo Alto, CA, (no date)

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I believe in the idea of removing the dams altogether to save money and save the salmon as well.

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Sincerely,

Name: JAO

Street Address: _________________________________

City/State/Zip: _________________________________

Phone Number: _________________________________

Email Address: NawiJag99@yahoo.com
Form Letter 2.186—Joe Geddes, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.186-1

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Please do what is desperately needed to restore & revitalize this watershed.

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Sincerely,

Name: Robert Godwin
Street Address: 3284 Kimberly
City/State/Zip: Cameron Park CA 95682
Phone Number: (530) 677-9700
Email Address: Godwin8e@cwnet.com
Form Letter 2.187—Robert Godwin, Cameron Park, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.187-1

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Response to Comment FL2.187-2

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Insert personal comments here

I think we need to really start conserving mother nature for the future and present.

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Sincerely,

Name: Eddy Helmer
Street Address: 3333 Dahlia Street Cir
City/State/Zip: Ann Arbor, MI 48105
Phone Number: 734-77-7-17-18
Email Address: ____________________________
Form Letter 2.188—Eddy Helmer, Antelope, CA, (no date)

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Name: Alyssa Higgins (and Jessica Reskin)
Street Address: 4566 Klamath River Dr.
City/State/Zip: Rancho Cordova, CA 95670
Phone Number: 635-9549
Email Address: Reskin@comcast.net
Response to Comment FL2.189-1

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Response to Comment FL2.189-2

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Insert personal comments here

Please save the salmon!

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Sincerely, Jessica Howard

Name: ______________________

Street Address: 3982 Winkler

City/State/Zip: Shingle Springs, CA 95682

Phone Number: 530-676-2029

Email Address: ______________________
Form Letter 2.190—Jessica Howard, Shingle Springs, CA, (no date)

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Insert personal comments here

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

Sincerely,

Name: [Signature]

Street Address: 3481 Welker Lane

City/State/Zip: Shingle Springs, CA 95682

Phone Number: 530-1070-2029

Email Address: ________________________________
Form Letter 2.191—Penny Howard, Shingle Springs, CA, (no date)

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Street Address: 442 1st St

City/State/Zip: Sacramento, CA 95814

Phone Number: (916) 444-3132

Email Address: mncp369@wildmail.com
Form Letter 2.192—Meg M. Johnson, Sacramento, CA, (no date)

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Sincerely,

[Name and Signature]

Name: Sharron J, Native

Street Address: 201 Kilkiam St.

City/State/Zip: San Francisco, CA 94122

Phone Number: 

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

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[Signature]

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

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"Professor Canaday,

I am a former student of yours and I remember you speaking of this project in your intro to natural resource management class. We discussed the impact that fish ladders have and how ineffective they really are in allowing fish to pass through the dams. I'm sure you'll support the removal of the dams as a conservationist. I know after your class I am far better able to understand the full impacts decisions we make in our everyday life have on the world around us. Thanks again.

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

Sincerely,

Name: Christa Lindsey
Street Address: 10657 Clayton Way
City/State/Zip: Rancho Cordova, CA 95670
Phone Number: (916) 363-9051
Email Address: break set@ymail.com"
Form Letter 2.195—Christa Lindsey, Rancho Cordova, CA, (no date)

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Sincerely,

Name: Jonathan McClelland

Street Address: 4740 Hill Rd

City/State/Zip: Santa Rosa, CA 95401

Phone Number: 707-579-0639

Email Address: jonsonario@juno.com
Form Letter 2.196—Jonathan McClelland, Santa Rosa, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.196-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.196-2

Thank you for the comment. This comment has been noted.
Please Fully Restore Salmon & Steelhead On Battle Creek!

Date: ______________________

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

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Insert personal comments here

Be finally responsible - take down the dams
I’ll be following your decision and I write this field. Removing barriers to fish migration is critically important.

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

Sincerely,

Name: [Signature]

Street Address: 1024 37th St

City/State/Zip: Sacramento CA 95814

Phone Number: 916 451 6738

Email Address: ___________________________
Form Letter 2.197—Julia McIver, Sacramento, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.197-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.197-2

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Insert personal comments here

I support salmon & steelhead restoration and I feel this is very important.

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

Sincerely,

Name: Linda Mollenhauer Mupkar
Street Address: 1815 Danmar Drive
City/State/Zip: Sebastopol, CA 95472
Phone Number: 707-823-0582
Email Address: Linda M Mcoach@msn.com
Form Letter 2.198—Linda Mollenhauer Me*, Sebastopol, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.198-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.198-2

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Insert personal comments here

Please keep dam's + stream clean for habitat.

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

Sincerely,

Name: Candy Reeves

Street Address: 9750 Old Placeville Rd apt 16

City/State/Zip: Sacramento, CA 95827

Phone Number: ____________________________

Email Address: travlingranny@comcast.net
Form Letter 2.199—Candy Reeves, Sacramento, CA, (no date)

**Response to Comment FL2.199-1**

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

**Response to Comment FL2.199-2**

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Insert personal comments here

I love salmon!

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

Sincerely,

Name: Isabel M. RIOS
Street Address: 217 Sunset Ave.
City/State/Zip: San Jose, CA 95116
Phone Number: 209-62 97
Email Address: ________________________________
Form Letter 2.200—Isabel M. Rios, San Jose, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.200-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.200-2

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Insert personal comments here

Please help the river for all the around United States, I wish the best for you.

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

Sincerely,

Name: __________________________

Street Address: 1776 Kalmuth Ave

City/State/Zip: Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Phone Number: 916-635-4211

Email Address: __________________________

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

Response to Comment FL2.201-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.201-2

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Insert personal comments here

Save the river for ALL of California’s animals, people, etc.

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

Sincerely,

Name: Ruby Simmons
Street Address: 2248 Marine Way
City/State/Zip: Rancho Cordova, CA 95670
Phone Number: (916) 362-1867
Email Address: ___________________________
Form Letter 2.202—Ruby Sirmons, Rancho Cordova, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.202-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.202-2

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Insert personal comments here

I have worked for PG&E and I know that these old dams still filled and would be better served as removed and not updated with fish ladders. Please restore them to their natural state, thank you.

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

Sincerely,

Name: Michael D. Soder

Street Address: 3060 Porter St SP 37

City/State/Zip: Sequoia Co. 95673

Phone Number: 831 464-0675

Email Address: Michael.soder@pgandeg.com
Form Letter 2.203—Michael D. Sowd*, Soquel, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.203-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.203-2

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Insert personal comments here

Salmon have lost 90% of their spawning habitat from 100 years of dam building. Let's give them a chance!

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

Sincerely,

Name: Margie Tomenko

Street Address: 4736 Bowerwood Dr.

City/State/Zip: Carmichael, CA 95608

Phone Number: 916-488-4792

Email Address: margiet@pgande.com
Form Letter 2.204—Margie Tomenko, Carmichael, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.204-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.204-2

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Insert personal comments here

This is the most critical habitat for winter & spring Chinook – please do the right thing and restore minimum flows.

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

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Name: LINDA VANCE

Street Address: 3 CAPTAIN DR #310

City/State/Zip: EMERYVILLE CA 94608

Phone Number: 510-285-6353

Email Address: lvance@fs.fed.us
Form Letter 2.205—Linda Vance, Emeryville, CA, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.205-1

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Response to Comment FL2.205-2

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Insert personal comments here

 Kids do All that we can ...

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

Sincerely,

Name: Walter Washington

Street Address: 775 Tony Ct

City/State/Zip: Minden, NV 89423

Phone Number: (775) 267-9157

Email Address: wwwon@pyramid.net
Form Letter 2.206—Walter Washington, Minden, NV, (no date)

Response to Comment FL2.206-1

Please see the response to Comment FL2-1.

Response to Comment FL2.206-2

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[Handwritten note:]

"There are so few acres for fish that anything we can do now is a plus. So please take the damn dams down."

Thanks, Pat Watters

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

Sincerely,

Name: Pat Watters

Street Address: 569 Edinburgh St

City/State/Zip: San Mateo, CA 94402

Phone Number: ____________________________

Email Address: ____________________________
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

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Date: [Blank]

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Insert personal comments here

Salmon are among our most important species, both ecologically and economically. Anything we can do to restore their runs is good. Please help restore salmon runs on Battle Creek.

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

Sincerely,

Name: Richard Weiss
Street Address: 615 Santa Ray Avenue
City/State/Zip: Oakland, CA 94610
Phone Number: 510-410-4544
Email Address: RWeiss@iomic.com
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

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I grew up on the east coast & saw the devastation caused to the Connecticut River by factories & pollution... when I moved to California I couldn't believe how beautiful & clean they were - cherish your rivers... when they're gone - it's too late.

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

Sincerely,

Shelley Wrigley

Name: Shelley Wrigley
Street Address: [Handwritten address]
City/State/Zip: Roseville, CA 95677
Phone Number: 916-771-3181
Email Address: shelley.wrigley@fer.com
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

Thank you for the comment. This comment has been noted.
Please **Fully Restore** Salmon & Steelhead Habitat On Battle Creek!

Date:________________________

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

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

Sincerely,

Signature & Printed Name:______________________________________________________

Street Address:______________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip:______________________________________________________________

Phone: (_____)_________________ Email:__________________________________________
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.