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Subject: North-of-the-Delta Offstream Storage (NODOS) – Progress Report

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Bureau of Reclamation is pleased to provide a Progress Report on the NODOS feasibility study for information purposes only. The Progress Report presents an evaluation of the potential benefits and impacts of three alternative plans for constructing an offstream storage reservoir near Sites, California. The Progress Report is posted on Reclamation's website at <https://www.usbr.gov/mp/nodos/>.

The primary objectives of the alternatives considered are to: 1) improve water supply and water supply reliability; 2) increase populations of anadromous fish and other aquatic species; 3) provide flexible hydropower generation for renewable integration; and 4) improve water quality.

The NODOS feasibility study is one of four on-going storage investigations included in the CALFED Bay-Delta Program Programmatic Record of Decision, which identified program goals, objectives, and projects primarily to improve California's water supply and the ecological health of the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta system. It is being conducted under the 2003 authority reaffirmed in P.L. 108-361, the CALFED Bay-Delta Authorization Act.

Partner agencies include the Sites Project Joint Powers Authority and the Department of Water Resources.

If you have any questions about the Progress Report, please contact Ms. Sharon McHale, Project manager at 916-978-5086 or smchale@usbr.gov.

Sincerely,

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