

Upper San Joaquin River Basin Storage Investigation

Agency and Stakeholder Review Process

The Bureau of Reclamation and the Department of Water Resources are committed to seeking agency and public input on the planning process, assumptions, analysis results, conclusions, and recommendations for the Upper San Joaquin River Basin Storage Investigation. To further that goal, the Investigation Team developed the following review and comment process for investigation activities. Whenever possible, the team will follow this general process to provide information to interested agencies and stakeholders, receive comments and suggestions, and provide additional information, responses, and explanations.

1. **Draft Materials** – The Investigation Team will prepare and distribute to the participating agencies and stakeholders draft information materials for review and discussion.
2. **Workshops** – The Investigation Team will conduct workshops on important topics to review and discuss the materials provided to participants.
3. **Initial Review Comments** – The participants will provide review comments orally at the workshop and follow up as appropriate with written comments to the Project Manager.
4. **Revised Materials** – The Investigation Team will review and consider all of the comments received. Based on this review and additional information that may be developed, the team will update the written materials, distribute them to the participants, and post them on the project web site.
5. **Formal Document Review** – At key milestones, the Investigation Team will prepare and distribute summary reports compiling the results of Investigation activities, workshop reviews, and Team conclusions and recommendations. With distribution of these summary reports the Investigation Team will invite formal review and comment by agencies and participants. The Investigation Team anticipates that these formal reviews will result in written comments from senior managers at the participating agencies and organizations. During Phase I of the Investigation, two formal reviews are planned:
 - In-Progress Phase 1 Report -- Early 2003
 - Draft Phase 1 Report -- Mid-2003

Expectations

- In accordance with the Participation Principles, **participants** will provide oral and written comments to communicate issues, concerns, interests, and suggestions.
- The Investigation Team will review and consider comments and either incorporate changes to address the comments or provide the rationale for an alternate approach or strategy.