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6.2.1 AGENCY MEETING SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY 24, 1999, LODI

Primary Focus: Lodi and San Joaquin County Agencies

San Joaquin County Emergency Services
City of Lodi Planning Department
City of Lodi Department of Public Works
City of Lodi Electric Utilities Department
City of Lodi City Manager's Office

FEBRUARY 24, 1999, LODI

Primary Focus: Sacramento County Agencies

Sacramento County Department of Public Works
Sacramento County Department of Environmental Review & Assessment

MARCH 8, 1999, MODESTO

Primary Focus: Air Quality

San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District

MARCH 8, 1999, STOCKTON

Primary Focus: San Joaquin County Agencies

San Joaquin County Planning Department
County of San Joaquin Department of Public Works

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MARCH 9, 1999, SACRAMENTO

Primary Focus: Agricultural Interests

California Farm Bureau

MARCH 9, 1999, LODI

Primary Focus: Agricultural Interests

Lodi-Woodbridge Wine Growers

San Joaquin County Farm Bureau

San Joaquin County Agricultural Commission

Landowners

MARCH 9, 1999, SACRAMENTO

Primary Focus: State Lands Commission

State Lands Commission

MARCH 10, 1999, SACRAMENTO

Primary Focus: Oil and Gas and Safety

California Division of Oil, Gas and Geothermal Resources

MARCH 10, 1999, RANCHO CORDOVA

Primary Focus: Water Resources and Emergency Response Agencies

California Department of Emergency Services

California Department of Water Resources

MARCH 10, 1999, RANCHO CORDOVA

Primary Focus: Reclamation Districts

Department of Water Resources (DWR)

DWR and Reclamation Districts 1601 and 341

Reclamation District 2086 (Canal Ranch)

Reclamation District 341 (Twitchell, Tyler, Canal Ranch)

Reclamation District 38 (Staten Island)

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MAY 4, 1999, SACRAMENTO

Primary Focus: CALFED Bay-Delta Program

CALFED

Bureau of Reclamation (on detail at CALFED)

MAY 27, 1999, SACRAMENTO

Primary Focus: Reclamation Water Districts

Department of Water Resources (DWR)

Reclamation District 1601

Reclamation District 38

Bureau of Land Management

Reclamation District 341

Reclamation District 2086

Reclamation District 563

Reclamation District 1601

Reclamation District 341

MAY 27, 1999, SACRAMENTO

Primary Focus: Sacramento County Planning Department

Sacramento County Planning Department

6.3 PUBLIC INFORMATION PROGRAM

The California Public Utilities Commission conducted an extensive outreach program to inform agencies and the general public about the proposed project, the environmental review process, and schedule and to opportunities for public involvement.

6.3.1 NOTICING

In compliance with CEQA guidelines, the CPUC, as the lead agency, prepared a Notice of Preparation (NOP), which was mailed on February 17, 1999, to state, local, federal, trustee, and responsible agencies affected by the project. A copy of the NOP was posted for public review in the Stockton-San Joaquin Public Library, Lodi Public Library, and Isleton Public Library.

In preparation for the Draft EIR, the CPUC sent a notice of public scoping meetings to more than 650 stakeholders, including special interest groups, and local, regional, and state governmental office holders and agencies and residents and landowners up to 300 feet on either side of the project area.

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Advertisements announcing the public meetings were placed in multiple papers throughout the geographic area of the project. The display advertisements were posted between the dates of February 26, 1999, and March 7, 1999.

6.3.2 PUBLIC MEETINGS

The CPUC conducted two public scoping meetings to explain the environmental review process and to receive public comment on the scope of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR). These were conducted in the project area. On March 8, 1999, approximately 150 individuals attended a public meeting at Hutchins Street Square in Lodi. On March 9, 1999, approximately 40 individuals attended a public meeting at the Isleton Community Center in Isleton.

6.3.3 COMMENTS ON THE NOP AND SCOPING PROCESS

Attachment A includes a copy of the NOP and a summary of public and agency issues from the scoping process.