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Subject: Bank Amendment Package Incomplete and Complex for Meridian Ranch Mitigation Bank Amendment No. 2 (Tracking Number 1802-2009-012-02)

Dear Chris McColl:

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (Department) has completed its review of your bank amendment package received by the Department on April 4, 2023, and the updated attachment one received on June 1, 2023, for the Meridian Ranch Mitigation Bank. The Department has determined the bank amendment package is incomplete and complex for the reason below.

The amendment agreement required submission of a Credit Release Schedule and Funding Schedule for Covered Species and Covered Habitat (Exhibit F-5) if the approved Bank Enabling Instrument (BEI) did not include one (see agreement number 21 of the amendment). Per the comments included in the amendment package, the approved BEI included this exhibit; however, upon the Department's review of the approved BEI, the list of exhibits did not include a Credit Release Schedule and Funding Schedule for Covered Species and Covered Habitat.

In addition, the approved BEI did not define Implementation Fee and this term is used in the amendment. The definition of Implementation Fee must be included in the amendment which will require an exhibit (Exhibit F-6) that identifies how this fee will be paid.


The bank amendment package may be made complete with the submission of the above document(s) and a [Bank Submittal Form](#). The Department will have 30 days from receipt of the resubmitted bank amendment package to determine if it is complete. The Department will then provide you written notification of its determination, which is distinct from any determination by another signatory agency.

For more guidance on the banking process please visit the Department's website at <https://www.wildlife.ca.gov/Conservation/Planning/Banking>. If you have any questions regarding your bank amendment package or the banking process, please contact Stephanie Buss, Senior Environmental Scientist (Specialist) at (916) 406-4311 or stephanie.buss@wildlife.ca.gov.

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