Mercury Annual Review Workshop November 29 – December 1, 2005 Embassy Suites, Sacramento, CA

You are cordially invited to attend the California Bay-Delta Authority Ecosystem Restoration Program's Mercury Annual Review Workshop. The purpose of this workshop is to present the findings (to date) of 8 mercury-related research projects that have been funded by the CBDA Ecosystem Restoration Program. The projects will be reviewed by an independent scientific review panel and will present a synthesis of the information on the last day of the workshop. The review panel will also provide feedback on projects and the overall program in order to best inform management of mercury in this watershed. This event is scheduled for Tuesday, November 29 through Thursday, December 1 at the Embassy Suites in Sacramento. UC Davis Extension is managing the Workshop.

The Workshop will include presentations by each of eight featured mercury research projects to the panel and other attendees on the first day. The second day will be a closed session with the panelists and researchers, to work on synthesis of scientific findings and applications. On the third day, there will be a public presentation with a summary of the key findings, followed by a poster session in which, in addition to the eight featured research projects, other mercury projects may also be presented as posters.

The Workshop is free, but space is limited. To ensure that you will be able to attend, <u>we urge</u> <u>you to register as soon as possible</u>. Since only the first and third days are open to the public, you may register to attend either Tuesday or Thursday, or both. Please register by contacting Jennifer Voight via email at <u>jlvoight@ucdavis.edu</u> or via phone at 530-754-8508. Indicate which day(s) you would like to attend, and whether you are interested in presenting a poster. Should space be available on the day of the workshop, drop-in guests may attend on a "first-come, first-served" basis.

Attached you will find the following documents:

- 1) Preliminary Agenda for the Workshop
- 2) Guidelines for submission of posters for Poster Session
- 3) Directions to the Embassy Suites

The Review Panel for the workshop will be made up of six experts in mercury-related fields. We have received commitments from five members so far. Confirmed panel members include:

Dr. Carol Kelly (Chair), R&K Research, Inc. Dr. Jim Weiner, U. of Wisconsin at LaCrosse Mr. Reed Harris, TetraTech, Inc. Dr. John Cain, Natural Heritage Institute Dr. Brian Branfireun, U. of Toronto 6th panelistpending

Unfortunately Embassy Suites does not offer state rates for lodging. However, the nearby Holiday Inn does offer state rates. It is an easy walk through Old Town Sacramento from one

hotel to the other. Holiday Inn staff urge you to make your reservations early. Here is contact information for making room reservations at the Holiday Inn:

Holiday Inn Capitol Plaza 300 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 Phone: (916) 446-0100, Fax: (916) 446-0117 www.holidayinnsacramento.com

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