

Panel Scientific and Technical Review Form
(Note: Review comments will be anonymous, but public.)

Proposal number: 2001-L213

Short Proposal Title: _American Basin

1a) Are the objectives and hypotheses clearly stated?

Summary of Reviewers comments:

Yes

Panel Summary:

Yes, very good. The proposers saw the same CalFed question that the Panel did.

1b1) Does the conceptual model clearly explain the underlying basis for the proposed work?

Summary of Reviewers comments:

Yes, with one qualified yes

Panel Summary:

Good job; no graphics, but good description.

1b2) Is the approach well designed and appropriate for meeting the objectives of the project?

Summary of Reviewers comments:

Yes

Panel Summary:

Good.

1c1) Has the applicant justified the selection of research, pilot or demonstration project, or a full-scale implementation project?

Summary of Reviewers comments:

2 yes; 2 no

Panel Summary:

This is a design/implementation project. Well justified. Much prior review.

1c2) Is the project likely to generate information that can be used to inform future decision making?

Summary of Reviewers comments:

2 “yes”; one “no”; one qualified “yes”

Panel Summary:

Yes. Big consolidation project and will give important information in this area...how this approach could be taken elsewhere. Very strong.

2a) Are the monitoring and information assessment plans adequate to assess the outcome of the project?

Summary of Reviewers comments:

Yes

Panel Summary:

Plans will be developed. This is appropriate for this stage of the process. The panel recommends a 5% performance bond when this project gets to the implementation phase.

2b) Are data collection, data management, data analysis, and reporting plans well-described, scientifically sound and adequate to meet the proposed objectives?

Summary of Reviewers comments:

3 “yes”; one qualified “yes”

Panel Summary:

See above.

3) Is the proposed work likely to be technically feasible?

Summary of Reviewers comments:

Yes

Panel Summary:

Yes, especially given AFSP review.

4) Is the proposed project team qualified to efficiently and effectively implement the proposed project?

Summary of Reviewers comments:

Yes

Panel Summary:

Very strong.

5)Other comments

**Overall Evaluation
PANEL SUMMARY COMMENTS**

Excellent proposal, from CalFed perspective. Coordinated with CVPIA; pre-approved by AFSP; high priority diversions based on size/locations. Very strong in the area of consolidation of multiple diversions, which is a CalFed goal, and one with which the Panel strongly concurs.

Summary Rating

Excellent
Very Good
Good
Fair
Poor

Your Rating: _CalFed basis: EXCELLENT; Project merit: EXCELLENT