

## Geographic Review Panel 1 – Bay Delta

**Proposal number:** K201      **Short Proposal Title:** Chinook Genetics

**1. Applicability to CALFED ERP Goals and Implementation Plan and CVPIA priorities, and relevance to ERP and CVPIA priorities for your region.** Applicability to ERP goals 1 and 3 are clearly described. CVPIA priorities are not specified, but creation of a basin-wide framework for genetic understanding of Central Valley Chinook salmon populations will directly contribute to CVPIA priorities. Applicability is high for this region.

**2. Linkages/coordination with previously funded projects or other restoration activities in your region.** Linkages to four current CALFED funded projects are referenced.

**3. Feasibility, especially the project’s ability to move forward in a timely and successful manner.** Start and end dates, milestones, timetables, and completion dates are specified by task and subtask on a monthly basis. Both the tasks and schedule are commensurate with a recent pilot genetic study conducted by the project proponents. This project appears highly feasible.

**4. Qualifications of the applicants and others involved in implementing the proposed project.** The team is highly qualified to perform the work. It is clearly stated who will be conducting each aspect of the work. Panel notes that the project manager is no longer with DFG and is concerned with who will be new project manager.

**5. Local involvement (including environmental compliance).** There has been extensive notification (80 letters) made to interest groups/stakeholders.

**6. Cost.** Cost appears commensurate with expected benefits.

**7. Cost sharing.** DFG (\$317,000), and NMFS (\$312,000) in-kind services.

**8. Additional comments.** Panel concurs with TARP comment that this project should be reviewed to ensure no duplication with ongoing efforts.

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### Regional Ranking

**Panel Ranking: Medium high**

**Provide a brief explanation of your ranking:** The overall evaluation from the previous Panel Summary was “VERY GOOD.” We concur with the previous Panel Summary and issue a Panel Ranking of “MEDIUM HIGH” for this project. This project could contribute significantly to management of water operations.