Geographic Review Panel 2 - Sacramento River/Butte Basin

Proposal number: 2001-K215 Short Proposal Title: Clear Creek

1. Applicability to CALFED ERP Goals and Implementation Plan and CVPIA priorities, and relevance to ERP and CVPIA priorities for your region. Directly applicable to adaptive management and effectiveness monitoring for achieving CALFED and CVPIA priorities in the region.

2. Linkages/coordination with previously funded projects or other restoration activities in your region. Linkage with adaptive management program for Clear Creek.

3. Feasibility, especially the project's ability to move forward in a timely and successful manner. Feasibility has been demonstrated.

4. Qualifications of the applicants and others involved in implementing the **proposed project.** Well qualified.

5. Local involvement (including environmental compliance). Accomplished by following appropriate protocols when working on private lands and broadly distributing and presenting raw data. Local involvement should be expanded to include regional areas outside the Battle Creek watershed with an interest in chinook salmon monitoring.

6. Cost. Share confusion in the staff report on the cost savings associated with funding the screw trap of this proposal and the Battle Creek proposal due to economy of scale. Recommend region-wide cost comparisons for operation of screw traps. By developing comparable costs for what is becoming a standard methodology.

7. Cost sharing. None

8. Additional comments. Data set is critical for effectiveness monitoring of the restoration actions. The TARP felt that the hypothesis is weak and that by itself this study cannot test the hypothesis but expect that the data on adult numbers and habitat conditions will be examined. Some independent reviewers felt that the analytical framework was not as effective as it could be. There appears to be no links to stock-recruitment, data analysis methods are not sufficiently detailed to determine if hypothesis can be tested or objectives can be met, analysis is inadequate to assess restoration and there appears an inability to distinguish between salmon runs.

Regional Ranking

Panel Ranking: High due to critical need to collect juvenile production data for the effectiveness monitoring.

Provide a brief explanation of your ranking.