

Geographic Review Panel 2 - Sacramento River/Butte Basin

Proposal number: 2001-L201

Short Proposal Title: NRCS Fish Screen Program

- 1. Applicability to CALFED ERP Goals and Implementation Plan and CVPIA priorities, and relevance to ERP and CVPIA priorities for your region.** Yes
- 2. Linkages/coordination with previously funded projects or other restoration activities in your region.** This is an ongoing pilot project in the region.
- 3. Feasibility, especially the project's ability to move forward in a timely and successful manner.** Considering the past screen failures, the applicant should address what was learned and what new corrective measures will be taken. The proposal states the "Landowner will select a contractor". Also stated are numerous contractor problems. More NRCS oversight may be required to successfully move this project forward.
- 4. Qualifications of the applicants and others involved in implementing the proposed project.** This section is lacking in who has oversight, contract administration, screen design review, etc.
- 5. Local involvement (including environmental compliance).** OK
- 6. Cost.** With \$450,000 remaining in the previous grant, this application may be somewhat premature although this is for vertical pump research and development. NRCS should provide financial oversight.
- 7. Cost sharing.** Very good.
- 8. Additional comments.** The application states that "Riprap can seriously impair the ability of the stream to migrate". This may be out of context regarding this project as the SB1086 Program is developing a process to protect "Hard Point" infrastructure investments such as fish screens.

\$ Monitoring should be for more than one year.

\$ Very good project.

Regional Ranking

Panel Ranking: Medium High

Provide a brief explanation of your ranking.