Restoration Goal
Technical Feedback
Group Meeting
San Joaquin River Restoration Program
May 17, 2012
Los Banos, CA

Agenda

• Welcome and Introductions
• Standing Items
• Reach 2B Bypass and Channel Improvements
• Arroyo Canal Fish Passage Project
• Reach 4B Channel Improvements
• Information Sharing
Introductions

• Name
• Agency or Affiliation

Standing Items

• SJRRP Background, Technical Feedback context & purpose
• Upcoming SJRRP documents
• Friant Dam operations
• Handouts
Settlement Background

1988  Lawsuit filed challenging Reclamation’s renewal of the long-term contracts with Friant Division contractors
2004  Federal Judge rules Reclamation violated Section 5937 of the Fish and Game Code
2005  Settlement negotiations reinitiated to avoid remedy phase
2006  Settlement Agreement reached, implementation begins
2009  Federal legislation enacted

Settlement Goals

• Restoration Goal
  – To restore and maintain fish populations in “good condition” in the main stem of the San Joaquin River below Friant Dam to the confluence of the Merced River, including naturally reproducing and self-sustaining populations of salmon and other fish.

• Water Management Goal
  – To reduce or avoid adverse water supply impacts to all of the Friant Division long-term contractors that may result from the Interim Flows and Restoration Flows provided for in the Settlement.
Implementing Agencies

- Federal Agencies:
  - Bureau of Reclamation
  - Fish and Wildlife Service
  - National Marine Fisheries Service

- State Agencies:
  - Department of Water Resources
  - Department of Fish and Game

Technical Feedback Meetings
Restoration TFG Meeting Purpose

- Exchange of restoration technical information between the Implementing Agencies, Cooperating Agencies, Settling Parties, Third Parties, landowners, and other interested stakeholders.

Upcoming SJRRP Documents

- Arroyo Canal and Sack Dam Environmental Assessment
- Program Environmental Impact Statement/ Report
- Mid-year 2012 Annual Technical Report
Friant Dam Operations

Handouts

- Field Activity Tracker
- 2012 RGTF Schedule and Proposed Topics