

CHAPTER 8. IMPLEMENTATION COSTS AND FUNDING SOURCES

[Note to Reviewers: This chapter will ultimately address both estimated BDCP implementation costs and sources of funding that will be relied upon to cover these costs. This draft provides descriptions of the assumptions used to develop cost estimates associated with the implementation of the BDCP conservation measures, program administration, and other Plan-related actions. As these proposed actions are still under review and discussion, some may be modified and others removed from the final draft Plan. Moreover, these estimates are very preliminary and subject to revision. As such, the cost estimates set out in this chapter will be adjusted as conservation measures are added or deleted and when more detailed cost information becomes available. Costs for some parts of the conservation strategy (e.g., the monitoring and research program and the adaptive management program) have not been estimated at this time as there is need for additional specific cost information or additional information or refinement to the actions. Section 8.9 “Funding Sources and Assurances” will not be prepared until the total cost estimate has been completed, and hence funding needs can be ascertained and a funding plan developed. It should be emphasized that the PREs have not committed to pay for any BDCP costs beyond the conveyance component, and substantial public and other sources of funding are expected to contribute to the cost of implementing the elements of the Plan.]

8.1 Introduction

This chapter outlines estimates of the costs associated with implementation of the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) over the proposed 50-year term of the Plan, including the costs related to each of its primary components. The Endangered Species Act requires that habitat conservation plans specify “the funding that will be available to implement” conservation actions that minimize and mitigate impacts on covered species.¹ The Natural Community Conservation Planning Act requires that natural community conservation plans contain “provisions that ensure adequate funding to carry out the conservation actions identified in the Plan.”² Based on the estimated costs for BDCP implementation, this chapter identifies the sources of funding that will be relied upon for plan implementation and the mechanisms that will be utilized to secure such funds, and describes the basis for the assurances provided by the Plan Participants that adequate funding will be available to support the implementation of the Plan.

[Note to Reviewers: “Sources and assurances of funding” will be described in a subsequent draft of this chapter.]

8.1.1 Scope and Purpose of the Cost Analysis

The BDCP identifies a range of actions that will be implemented over the term of the Plan to meet the biological goals and objectives described in the Conservation Strategy and to comply with the requirements of the ESA and the NCCPA. Among those actions are measures to avoid,

¹ U.S.C. section 1539(a)(2)(A)

² Cal. Fish and Game Code section 2820(a)(10)

1 minimize, and mitigate the effects of activities covered by the BDCP on species and natural
2 communities addressed by the Plan and to provide for the conservation of those species. In
3 addition, the BDCP establishes commitments of the Plan Participants to carry out an adaptive
4 management and monitoring program for the species covered by the Plan and to take identified
5 steps to respond to changed circumstances. The BDCP also establishes specific obligations of
6 the Plan Participants regarding plan implementation.

7 The cost analysis conducted for the BDCP quantifies both the overall cost of the BDCP and the
8 cost of specific plan components. These estimates were used to establish the funding
9 requirements for plan implementation over the course of a 50 year term and to guide decisions
10 regarding the allocation of funding responsibilities among the Plan Participants.

11 Specifically, the analysis addresses costs related to the following components of the BDCP:

12 • **Conservation Measures**

13 ○ **Water Facilities Construction and Operations.** This category covers those
14 conservation measures related to water facilities and water operations. The costs
15 associated with these measures include the development of new water conveyance
16 and other water management facilities that will be located both within and around the
17 Delta. This category also includes actions associated with the operations of both
18 existing and new facilities. These actions were described in Chapter 3, *Conservation*
19 *Strategy*.

20 ○ **Physical Habitat Restoration and Protection.** This category includes conservation
21 measures associated with the preservation, restoration, and protection of habitat.
22 Specifically, the cost analysis considered actions related to the restoration of 65,000
23 acres of tidal wetland and associated estuarine habitat, 5,000 acres of riparian habitat,
24 2000 acres of grassland, 400 acres of non-tidal wetlands and associated aquatic
25 habitat, 200 acres of vernal pool complex, up to 5,000 acres of managed wetlands,
26 and 10,000 acres of floodplain habitat; the enhancement of 20 linear miles of channel
27 margin habitat; and the protection of existing 8,000 acres of grassland, 400 acres of
28 non-tidal wetlands, 300 acres of vernal pool complex, 400 acres of seasonal alkali
29 wetland complex, up to 2,000 acres of managed wetlands, and up to 32,640 acres of
30 agricultural land. The analysis also covers costs related to the mitigation of impacts
31 to terrestrial habitat that are expected to occur as a result of certain covered activities.
32 These measures are described in Chapter 3, *Conservation Strategy*.

33 ○ **Other Stressors.** This category covers conservation measures designed to reduce the
34 direct and indirect adverse effects of various stressors on ecological functions,
35 covered species, and natural communities. Such stressors include toxic contaminants
36 and other factors affecting water quality, non-native species, harvest, hatcheries,
37 diversions unrelated to the SWP or CVP, predators, and migration barriers and other
38 impediments to movement. The range of conservation measures that address other
39 stressors are described in Chapter 3, *Conservation Strategy*.

40 ○ **Monitoring and Adaptive Management.** This category includes the start-up and
41 on-going costs of the monitoring, research, and adaptive management programs,
42 including expenses related to research and data collection, management, and analysis.

1 The BDCP monitoring and adaptive management programs are described in Chapter
2 3, *Conservation Strategy*.

3 ○ **Changed Circumstances.** This category covers the cost of implementing measures
4 to respond to changed circumstances. Those measures are set forth in Chapter 6,
5 *Implementation Plan*.

6 ○ **Program Administration.** This category consists of expenditures necessary to
7 administer the BDCP. It includes the start-up cost of establishing the Management
8 Entity and the ongoing costs of administration, including expenses associated with
9 personnel, offices and other facilities, equipment, vehicles, contracted services, and
10 other overhead and related expenses. A description of the approach to the
11 administration of the BDCP is described in Chapter 7, *Implementation Structure*.

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13 The cost analysis includes sections describing how funding needs were estimated for each plan
14 component, including the assumptions and data used to determine the level and timing of
15 funding needed over the course of plan implementation. Many of the cost estimates are based on
16 conceptual and engineering designs for water facilities and habitat restoration projects available
17 at the time of plan formulation.

18 This chapter also identifies the sources of funding to implement the BDCP and sets out
19 assurances that adequate funding will be available to perform the terms and conditions of the
20 Plan, consistent with the ESA and the NCCPA. Both the ESA and the NCCPA require that
21 conservation plans include provisions that ensure adequate funding to carry out identified
22 conservation actions. The nature of the BDCP assurances of funding for each of the primary
23 components of the Plan, including actions associated with conservation measures, adaptive
24 management and monitoring, and plan administration, is described in this chapter.

25 **8.1.2 Organization of Chapter**

26 The remainder of this chapter is organized as follows:

- 27 • Section 8.2 describes common assumptions used to estimate BDCP implementation costs.
- 28 • Sections 8.3 thru 8.7 describe the methods, data, and specific assumptions used to
29 estimate implementation costs related to conservation measures, monitoring, research,
30 adaptive management, and plan administration.
- 31 • Section 8.8 summarizes the overall implementation costs for the Plan.
- 32 • Section 8.9 identifies the sources of funding for the BDCP and describes how such
33 funding will be assured by the Plan participants.
- 34 • Section 8.10 provides an analysis of net costs of BDCP implementation. Appendix **XX**
35 provides additional detail on the data and assumptions used to estimate costs presented in
36 this chapter.

37 **8.2 Common Assumptions for Cost Estimation**

38 Certain common assumptions were applied to all cost estimates developed for the BDCP. These
39 common assumptions are described in the following subsections.

1 **8.2.1 Cost Periods**

2 Cost estimates are described within 5-year periods, commencing with the first year in which
3 regulatory authorizations have been issued by the fish and wildlife agencies, and concluding at
4 the expiration of the permits term. The cost estimation assumes that the initial 5-year period
5 covers 2011 to 2015 and the final 5-year period covers 2056 to 2060. Every cost estimate has a
6 temporal dimension, reflecting when those costs are expected to be incurred over the term of the
7 BDCP.

8 **8.2.2 Financial Assumptions**

9 In cases where present values were calculated or capital costs were amortized, a nominal
10 discount rate of 4.375 percent and a long-term inflation rate of 2.1 percent are assumed. The
11 discount rate was selected to match the FY 2010 rate that the USACE and Reclamation are
12 required to use for developing and evaluating proposed plans for water project plan formulation
13 and evaluation.³ The long-term inflation rate is based on the spread between nominal and
14 inflation-indexed 30-year Treasury notes, as published in Appendix C of Office of Management
15 and Budget (OMB) Circular No. A-94 (revised January 2008).

16 Costs are reported in constant 2009 dollars.⁴ Historical costs have been converted to 2009
17 dollars using various price indices, including consumer and producer price indices published by
18 the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and civil works construction cost indices published by the
19 USACE.

20 **8.2.3 Transaction Costs Associated with the Acquisition of Interests in Land**

21 Purchases of interests in land, including in fee title or through easements, for the purpose of
22 carrying out habitat restoration actions, ensuring the protection of resources, and undertaking
23 construction of water facilities, are assumed to involve transactional costs in addition to the price
24 paid for that property interest. These transaction costs are likely to consist of: (1) the cost of
25 conducting due diligence, and (2) the cost of undertaking pre-acquisition boundary and habitat
26 surveys. The common assumptions used for computing due diligence and pre-acquisition survey
27 costs are set forth in Tables 8.1 and 8.2, respectively. Transactional costs are based on the
28 average parcel size and boundary length computed for each BDCP Conservation Zone,
29 Restoration Opportunity Area (ROA), floodplain region, and water facility right-of-way.

³ The published rate of 4.0% (rounded) does not include any adjustment that may be needed to show the maximum rate of change of ¼ of one percent per year. The FY 2009 rate was 4.625%, hence the adjusted FY 2010 rate cannot be less than 4.375%.

⁴ This means the costs presented in this chapter have been adjusted to reflect 2009 price levels and dollar purchasing power. Adjusting costs for inflation in this way allows for a more accurate comparison of costs over time.

Table 8.1 Land Acquisition Due Diligence Cost Assumptions

Due Diligence Multiplier*	1.25
Appraisal Cost (\$/Parcel)	\$5,200
Preliminary Title Report (\$/Parcel)	\$520
Phase 1 Site Assessment (\$/Parcel)	\$6,760
Legal Description (\$/Parcel)	\$4,264
Boundary Survey (\$/Linear Foot of Boundary)	\$0.47
Monumentation (\$/Linear Foot of Boundary)	\$0.36
<i>Note:</i> *Applied to the number of acquired parcels to account for the number of parcels considered for purchase but ultimately not purchased.	

Table 8.2 Pre-Acquisition Survey Cost Assumptions

Survey Multiplier*	1.25
Land cover type survey (hrs/100 acres)	12
Covered species habitat survey (hrs/100 acres)	16
Covered plant habitat survey (hrs/100 acres)	32
Covered wildlife survey (hrs/100 acres)	28
Contractor Cost (\$/hr)	\$128
<i>Note:</i> *Applied to the number of acquired acres to account for the number of acres surveyed for purchase but ultimately not purchased.	

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2 **8.2.4 Delta Real Estate Values**

3 Interests in land for the purpose of physical habitat restoration actions, resource protection, and
 4 water facilities development may be obtained through the acquisition of fee title or through
 5 easement. The average cost of acquiring land in fee or by easement to facilitate physical habitat
 6 restoration within ROAs in the Delta is based on the per acre land values shown in Table 8.4.
 7 The cost of acquiring Delta land in fee or by easement in Conservation Zones outside of the
 8 ROAs for terrestrial land conservation and water facilities construction is based on the per acre
 9 land values shown in Table 8.5. The values shown in the tables are based on the following
 10 methods and data.

11 ROA Land Values

12 DWR land use survey data at the DAU level was combined with parcel assessment data in order
 13 to estimate land values by land use classification.⁵

14 Land uses within the ROAs were categorized as: (1) field and truck crop production, which
 15 includes pasture, hay, grain, other field crops, and vegetable crops; (2) orchard and vine crops,
 16 which includes deciduous tree and citrus crops and vineyards; (3) semi-agricultural land uses,
 17 which includes farm roads, yards, and structures, and other land uses supporting agricultural

⁵ The DWR Land and Water Use Program collects land use data and develops water use estimates used in statewide water planning. It accomplishes this by conducting surveys of agricultural, urban and environmental land uses, and developing annual estimates of land uses on a regional basis. Since 1986, DWR has compiled land use survey data into georeferenced digital maps. The smallest level of resolution for these maps is the Detailed Analysis Unit (DAU), the smallest study area used by DWR, generally defined by hydrologic features or boundaries or organized water service agencies. In the major agricultural areas, a DAU typically includes 100,000 to 300,000 acres.

1 production; (4) urban land uses, which includes residential, commercial, and industrial land uses;
2 (5) and native vegetation.

3 Parcel assessment data were used to estimate ROA land values from 2000 through 2009.
4 Assessments that were made earlier than 2009 were updated to correspond to 2009 values using
5 property value indices. For those parcels primarily under agricultural or semi-agricultural use or
6 that consist of native vegetation, the USDA's three California land value series for irrigated
7 cropland, un-irrigated cropland, and "farmland & buildings" were used to update pre-2009
8 assessments. For parcels designated for urban uses, the S&P/Case-Shiller housing value index
9 for the San Francisco Bay Region was used.⁶

10 Parcels primarily used for a single purpose (e.g., field and truck crop production) were evaluated
11 to establish an average value for that use. In the case of agricultural and native vegetation land
12 uses, parcels for which these uses comprised at least two-thirds of the area of the parcel were
13 used to derive the average value. In the case of urban land uses, parcels for which these uses
14 occurred on at least half of the area of the parcel were used.⁷ Values for agricultural land uses –
15 which comprise the dominant land uses in the ROAs – were developed for each ROA. The small
16 number of parcels classified as native vegetation or urban prevented separate estimates for each
17 ROA. For these land uses, the parcel samples were combined for all ROAs and a single estimate
18 was derived.

19 Easement values may range from 10 to 90 percent of fee value, depending on the conditions
20 placed on the land under easement.⁸ Upon review of recent conservation easement valuations in
21 the Delta, it appears that an assumption of 60 percent of fee value would provide a conservative
22 basis for estimates of conservation easement costs within the ROAs.⁹

23 Broader Delta Land Values

24 Agricultural fee title values for the broader Delta are based on the midpoints of the value ranges
25 listed in the 2009 California Trends in Agricultural Land and Lease Values published by the
26 California Chapter of the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers (CSFMRA)
27 as shown in Table 8.3. Fee title values for the broader Delta for native, semi-agricultural, and
28 urban land classifications are assumed to be the same as for the ROAs.

29 Conservation easement values in the broader Delta are assumed to be 60 percent of fee values, as
30 they are for the ROAs. Subsurface easements are expected to be appraised at between 30 and 50
31 percent of fee value.¹⁰ For the purpose of conducting the cost analysis, it was assumed
32 subsurface easements would cost 40 percent of fee value.

⁶ The indices were used to measure the rates of increase in property values over the period 2000 to 2009. Thus, absolute differences in property values for different parts of the region (e.g., Marin versus Solano) are not of consequence, since property values were escalating at similar rates over this period.

⁷ A smaller percentage is used for the urban land use classification because most parcels in the ROAs contain only a small amount of land classified as urban.

⁸ Letter correspondence with Allan Davis, Supervising Land Agent, Department of Water Resources, January 29, 2010.

⁹ This is based on a sample of recent conservation easement sales and appraisals for San Joaquin and Stanislaus counties obtained from the Conservation Land Group (www.conserveland.com).

¹⁰ Letter correspondence with Allan Davis, Supervising Land Agent, Department of Water Resources, January 29, 2010.

Table 8.3 CSFMRA Agricultural Land Values Used for Broader Delta

<i>Delta County</i>	<i>CSFMRA Agricultural Land/Lease Values</i>			
	<i>Field Crops</i>	<i>Truck Crops</i>	<i>Orchard</i>	<i>Vineyard</i>
Contra Costa	Region 3, Northern San Joaquin County Westside Cropland	Region 3, Northern San Joaquin County Westside Cropland	Region 3, Northern San Joaquin County Cherry Orchards	Region 3, Northern San Joaquin County Vineyards
Sacramento, Solano, Yolo	Region 1, South Sutter, Western Placer, Solano, and Yolo counties, Class II/III irrigated field crops	Region 1, South Sutter, Western Placer, Solano, and Yolo counties, Class I/II vegetable crops	Region 1, South Sutter, Western Placer, Solano, and Yolo counties, Pear Orchards	Region 1, South Sutter, Western Placer, Solano, and Yolo counties, Vineyards
San Joaquin	Region 3, Northern San Joaquin County Delta Cropland	Region 3, Northern San Joaquin County Delta Cropland	Region 3, Northern San Joaquin County Almond Orchards (excluding South/Central region)	Region 3, Northern San Joaquin County Vineyards

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Table 8.4. ROA Land Value Assumptions (\$/Acre, 2009 dollars)

<i>ROA</i>	<i>% of ROA Land Use</i>				<i>Avg. Fee Value</i>	<i>Avg. Easement Cost</i>
	<i>Native Veg.</i>	<i>Field/Truck</i>	<i>Orchard/Vineyard</i>	<i>Semi Ag/Urban</i>		
Cache Slough	31.5%	67.4%	0.8%	0.3%	\$1,700	\$1,000
Cos./Mokelumne/East Delta	0.4%	76.8%	22.1%	0.7%	\$7,800	\$4,700
South Delta	0.9%	94.8%	2.8%	1.5%	\$7,400	\$4,400
Suisun Marsh	96.1%	3.3%	0.0%	0.6%	\$2,300	\$1,400
West Delta	38.4%	58.6%	2.4%	0.5%	\$4,700	\$2,800
Yolo Bypass	15.2%	81.6%	2.9%	0.4%	\$2,400	\$1,400

Notes: Values rounded to nearest \$100. Fee values are acreage-weighted average assessment values (updated to 2009 values) for parcels consisting primarily of indicated land use classification. Values for native, semi-agricultural, and urban land use classifications are weighted averages across all ROAs. Values for the crop land use classifications are weighted averages for individual ROAs. Surface easement values are 60 percent of fee values.

Table 8.5. Broader Delta Land Value Assumptions (\$/Acre, 2009 dollars)

<i>Delta County</i>	<i>Native Veg.</i>	<i>Field Crop</i>	<i>Truck Crop</i>	<i>Orchard</i>	<i>Vine yard</i>
	Fee Title Value				
Contra Costa	1,500	6,300	6,300	17,500	16,500
Sacramento, Solano, Yolo	1,500	6,900	8,300	9,000	20,000
San Joaquin	1,500	5,800	5,800	15,000	16,500
	Surface Conservation/Construction Easement Value				
Contra Costa	900	3,800	3,800	10,500	9,900
Sacramento, Solano, Yolo	900	4,100	5,000	5,400	12,000
San Joaquin	900	3,500	3,500	9,000	9,900
	Subsurface Construction Easement Value				
Contra Costa	600	2,500	2,500	7,000	6,600
Sacramento, Solano, Yolo	600	2,800	3,300	3,600	8,000
San Joaquin	600	2,300	2,300	6,000	6,600

Notes: Land values for agricultural land uses are based on the midpoint of the value ranges listed in the 2009 CSFMRA *Trends in Agricultural Land and Lease Values* for the regions shown in Table 8.3. Land values for native vegetation land uses are the same as the ROA values.

1 8.2.5 Employee Salary Costs and Benefits Multiplier

2 Plan administration costs include salary costs (Section 8.4, *Plan Administration*). The
3 Management Entity will build a staff to oversee or carry out the actions outlined in the BDCP
4 (Chapter 7, *Implementation Structure*). The salary cost estimates associated with these personnel
5 needs are based on proposed FY 2008-09 salary scales for reference positions within various
6 departments of the California Natural Resources Agency, as reported by the California
7 Department of Finance.¹¹ While federal employees may also be involved in the Management
8 Entity, differences between federal and state salaries are expected to be small and
9 inconsequential with respect to overall BDCP administrative costs.

10 The cost analysis includes a benefits multiplier to account for certain assumed benefits, such as
11 paid leave, health, retirement and other employee benefits, that would be provided to employees
12 of the Management Entity. A benefits multiplier of 1.35 was applied to all staff salary costs
13 associated with the BDCP Management Entity, except in cases where the estimated staffing cost
14 accounted for employee benefits.¹²

15 8.2.6 Cost Contingency

16 Various conservation measures include engineering and construction of large scale facilities such
17 as the pipeline/tunnel conveyance, gates on Fremont Weir, and new levees for floodplain
18 restoration. The American Association of Cost Engineers define contingency as a specific
19 provision for unforeseeable elements of cost within the defined project scope. Cost uncertainties
20 may result from incomplete design, unforeseen and unpredictable conditions, or uncertainties
21 within the defined project scope. The amount of contingency will depend on the status of design,
22 procurement, and construction; and the complexity and uncertainties of the component parts of
23 the project. For planning studies, standard contingencies typically range from 20 and 30 percent,
24 but may be as high as 50 percent for experimental or special conditions. In cases where cost
25 contingency has not been explicitly factored into the cost estimate, a 20 percent contingency has
26 been added.

27 8.3 Cost Estimate for Conservation Measures

28 This section describes the data, methods, and specific assumptions used to estimate the cost of
29 implementing the BDCP conservation measures. Different costing approaches were used for
30 different conservation measures, depending on the conceptual and engineering design and cost
31 information available at the time of Plan formulation. The approach taken for each conservation
32 measure and the sources of data and other information used for the analysis are described in the
33 following subsections.

34 8.3.1 CM 1: Water Facilities and Operation

35 *[Note to Reviewers: In the main text, low and high construction cost estimates are presented for*
36 *the all pipeline/tunnel conveyance facility option. Because a preferred project has not been*

¹¹ www.dof.ca.gov/budget/historical/2008-09/salaries_and_wages/index.htm.

¹² The multiplier is based on average benefits paid by state and local governments as a percent of total employee compensation in 2009, as reported by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

1 selected at this time, the preliminary cost estimate for the eastern alignment option for the
2 conveyance facility is also presented at the end of this section. For the pipeline/tunnel alignment,
3 the low cost estimate is based on the DHCCP cost estimate presented at the December 3, 2009
4 Steering Committee meeting. The high cost estimate is based on the 5RMK cost estimate
5 presented at the February 11, 2010 Steering Committee meeting. Operating cost estimates for
6 the tunnel and canal options are taken from the DHCCP cost estimate presented at the
7 December 3, 2009 Steering Committee meeting. All intake and conveyance cost estimates are
8 preliminary and subject to further refinement and change. The final chapter will contain a fuller
9 description of the methodology and assumptions used to estimate conveyance facility costs.]

10 Cost estimates are presented for the following components of water facilities construction and
11 operation:

- 12 • Design, project management, construction management;
- 13 • Intake and conveyance construction costs;
- 14 • Construction cost contingency;
- 15 • Land acquisition for facility footprint; and
- 16 • Annual operation, maintenance, and energy.

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18 *[Note to Reviewers: Capital replacement costs for major equipment and structures have not yet*
19 *been estimated and are not included in the preliminary cost estimate.]*

20 Facility features are summarized in Table 8.6. Low and high cost estimates are presented in
21 Table 8.7.¹³ All costs are expressed in 2009 constant dollars. Design, project management, and
22 construction management costs are assumed to be 18 percent of construction cost. Direct
23 construction costs are based on a 10 percent design level and utilize deterministic and stochastic
24 estimating methods.¹⁴ Construction labor costs are based on prevailing wages as published by the
25 California Department of Industrial Relations. Construction equipment costs are based on
26 ownership and operating costs as published by USACE. Costs for major materials are based on
27 budgetary quotes received from U.S. vendors. Construction contingencies are set to 35 percent
28 for tunneling elements and 25 percent for all other construction elements.

29 Land acquisition costs are based on the per acre fee title, surface easement, and subsurface
30 easement costs listed in Table 8.5. Surface and subsurface facility footprint, staging, and borrow
31 site acreage by land use category were estimated by intersecting data from DWR land use
32 surveys for Delta counties with hypothetical facility, staging, and borrow site footprints. Land
33 acquisition costs include a 10 percent markup to account for transaction costs and a 20 percent
34 cost contingency.

35 *[Note to Reviewers: The initial conveyance volume assumptions used to cost facility operations*
36 *differ from the results of the long-term operations study. DHCCP is currently re-estimating*
37 *facility operation costs. The revised estimate will be incorporated into the next draft of Chapter*
38 *8.]*

¹³ The low construction cost estimate is set to the upper-bound of the DHCCP cost estimate presented at the December 3, 2009 Steering Committee meeting. The high construction cost estimate is set to the 5RMK independent cost estimate presented at the February 11, 2010 Steering Committee meeting.

¹⁴ The construction cost estimate has Class 3 estimate quality, as defined by the Association for the Advancement of Cost Estimating International Practices.

1 Annual energy, operation and maintenance costs were estimated by DHCCP for each of the
2 major intake and conveyance components. Annual energy costs depend largely on the volume of
3 water pumped and conveyed, which varies from year to year primarily due to hydrologic
4 variation. For estimation purposes, the following conveyance volumes are assumed:

- 5 • Average year diversion is 3.6 million acre-feet;
- 6 • Dry year diversion is 2.3 million acre-feet; and
- 7 • Wet year diversion is 5.7 million acre-feet.

8 Energy costs were calculated at \$0.15 per kilowatt-hour.

9 The construction cost estimates were developed using a combination of unit prices developed for
10 similar work in various locations around the United States; historical unit prices compiled over
11 time by the DHCCP estimating staff; unit prices recorded by the State of California Department
12 of Transportation in the Contract Cost Data guide; budgetary vendor pricing; and bottoms-up
13 estimates developed for specific portions of work by DHCCP. Where necessary, the various
14 historical and unit prices were escalated using United States Bureau of Reclamation cost
15 escalations charts or other methods.

16 Labor Rates used in the estimates were developed using the Prevailing Wage Determinations for
17 Northern California and Sacramento, San Joaquin, Yolo and Contra Costa counties.

18 Equipment Rates were developed using United States Army Corps of Engineers, Region VII
19 “Construction Equipment Ownership and Operating Expense Schedule,” State of California
20 Department of Transportation “Labor Surcharge and Equipment Rental Rates,” and Northern
21 California rental vendor quotes.

22 Material costs were developed from quotes from Northern California vendors and internet
23 search. All costs are expressed in April 2009 US dollars. Other assumptions used to develop the
24 construction cost estimated included:

- 25 • All import borrow material necessary to construct the Intermediate Forebay will be
26 available within an average 5 mile haul (one-way, using off-highway equipment).
- 27 • All excess dirt can be spoiled at an average one mile haul using off-highway equipment.
- 28 • No import borrow royalty payment is included.
- 29 • No allowance for upgrading the existing roadways and/or bridges to accommodate the
30 required number of highway truck trips is included.
- 31 • The soil can be dewatered effectively.
- 32 • For construction of the North Delta Intake facility, once sheet pile cofferdams are in
33 place, work will be conducted on a year-round basis.
- 34 • Work will proceed on a ten-hour day, six-days per week schedule, potentially two shifts
35 per day.
- 36 • Tunneling work may proceed on a 24/7 schedule.
- 37 • All required permits will be in place prior to start of construction.

- Acquisition of property does not cause delays to the construction schedule.

Table 8.6 Summary of Intake and Conveyance Facility Features

<i>Item</i>	<i>Quantities</i>			
Intakes with Pumping Plants	5 @ 3,000 CFS			
Conveyance Pipeline	1 mile (twin 16-ft diameter)			
Intermediate Pumping Plant	15,000 CFS			
Intake Capacity	15,000 CFS			
Canals	none			
Tunnels	3 each (43 miles)			
Box Culvert Siphons	None			
Forebay Total Acreage	1,400 acres			
Bridges	none			
Utilities	70 conflicts			
Gravity Bypass	Up to 7,000 CFS			
Installed Power Demand	230 MW			
Surge Towers	5 each			
<i>Estimated Privately Owned Acreage Required for Facility, Staging and Borrow Site Footprints, by Land Use and County</i>				
<i>Surface Acreage</i>	<i>Alameda/Contra Costa</i>	<i>Sacramento</i>	<i>San Joaquin</i>	<i>Yolo</i>
Ag – Field Crop	733	2,626	535	44
Ag – Truck Crop	0	312	313	76
Ag – Orchard	0	30	0	0
Ag – Vineyard	299	552	0	13
Semiagricultural	53	113	29	3
Urban	7	19	0	0
Native	272	176	17	21
Total Surface Acreage	1,363	3,827	893	157
<i>Subsurface Acreage</i>	<i>Alameda/Contra Costa</i>	<i>Sacramento</i>	<i>San Joaquin</i>	<i>Yolo</i>
Ag – Field Crop	31	319	544	68
Ag – Truck Crop	28	52	69	31
Ag – Orchard		76		
Ag – Vineyard		116		55
Semiagricultural	7	27	27	12
Urban	3	36	6	4
Native	14	74	145	21
Total Subsurface Acreage	83	700	791	191
<i>Notes:</i> CFS = Cubic Feet per Second. MW = megawatts				

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Table 8.7 Summary of Intake and Conveyance Facility Costs (Mil. \$)
 [Note to Reviewers: Estimated costs in this table are for the pipeline/tunnel option]

<i>Cost Item</i>	<i>Low</i>	<i>High</i>
Construction		
Design, Project & Construction Management	\$1,607	\$1,826
Direct Construction	\$6,768	\$7,633
Subsurface Construction Contingency	\$1,641	\$1,985
All Other Construction Contingency	\$519	\$497
Total Construction	\$10,537	\$11,973
Land Acquisition	\$102	\$102
Annual Operating Cost (\$/yr)	\$35.4	\$35.4

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- 2 Estimated costs of water facility construction and operation over the 50-year term of the BDCP
- 3 are shown in Table 8.8.

Table 8.8 Water Facility and Operations Cost Incidence over Term of BDCP
 [Note to Reviewers: Estimated costs in this table are for the pipeline/tunnel option]

<i>Low Cost</i>	<i>Total Cost for Water Facility and Operations</i>										<i>Total Cost</i>
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
Intake and Conveyance Facilities	7,238	3,299	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,537
Land Acquisition	102	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	102
Energy	0	54	109	109	109	109	109	109	109	109	926
O&M	0	34	69	69	69	69	69	69	69	69	586
Total Cost	7,340	3,387	178	178	178	178	178	178	178	178	12,151
Running Total	7,340	10,727	10,905	11,083	11,261	11,439	11,617	11,795	11,973	12,151	12,151
<i>High Cost</i>	<i>Total Cost for Water Facility and Operations</i>										<i>Total Cost</i>
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
Intake and Conveyance Facilities	8,224	3,749	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11,973
Land Acquisition	102	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	102
Energy	0	54	109	109	109	109	109	109	109	109	926
O&M	0	34	69	69	69	69	69	69	69	69	586
Total Cost	8,326	3,837	178	178	178	178	178	178	178	178	13,587
Running Total	8,326	12,163	12,341	12,519	12,697	12,875	13,053	13,231	13,409	13,587	13,587

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1 *[Eastern Alignment Surface Canal Conveyance Option Cost Estimate]*

2 *[Note to Reviewers: Because a preferred project has not been selected the preliminary cost*
 3 *estimate for the eastern alignment conveyance facility is presented in the following tables.*
 4 *Estimated construction costs were prepared by DHCCP and presented to Steering on December*
 5 *3, 2009. Estimated land acquisition costs are based on the land acquisition cost assumptions*
 6 *presented in this chapter.]*

Summary of Features for the East Canal Conveyance Option

<i>Item</i>	<i>East Canal Conveyance</i>
Intakes with Pumping Plants	5@3,000 CFS
Conveyance Pipeline	5.9 miles (twin 16' diameter)
Intermediate Pumping Plant	15,000 CFS
Intake Capacity	15,000 CFS
Canals	40 miles
Tunnels	4 each (2.1 miles)
Box Culvert Siphons	8 each
Forebay Total Acreage	630 acres
Bridges	18 bridges
Utilities	150 conflicts
Gravity Bypass	none
Installed Power Demand	95 MW
Surge Towers	none

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8 Assumptions made for estimating East Canal Conveyance costs and schedule include:

- 9 • All import borrow will be available at an average 5 mile haul using off-highway
10 equipment.
- 11 • All excess dirt can be spoiled at an average 1 mile haul using off-highway equipment.
- 12 • No import borrow royalty payment is included.
- 13 • No allowance for upgrading the existing roadways and/or bridges to accommodate the
14 required number of highway truck trips is included.
- 15 • The soil can be dewatered effectively.
- 16 • Certain sloughs can be completely diverted to allow for complete box culvert siphon
17 construction.
- 18 • For construction of the North Delta Intake facility, once sheet pile cofferdams are in
19 place, work can continue year-round in water.
- 20 • Work would proceed on a ten-hour day, six-days per week schedule, potentially two
21 shifts per day. All required permits would be in place prior to start of construction.
- 22 • Real estate acquisition would not delay the construction schedule.

East Intake and Conveyance Facility Costs (Mil. \$)*[Note to Reviewers: Estimated costs in this table are for the East Conveyance option]*

<i>Cost Item</i>	<i>East Canal Conveyance</i>
<i>Construction</i>	
Design, Project & Construction Management	\$1,159
Direct Construction	\$5,088
Tunneling Construction Contingency	\$280
All Other Construction Contingency	\$1,072
Total Construction	\$7,600
Land Acquisition	\$335
Annual Operating Cost (mil \$/yr)	\$50.6

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East Canal Conveyance Facility and Operations Cost over Term of BDCP Term*[Note to Reviewers: Estimated costs in this table are for the East Conveyance option]*

<i>East Conveyance</i>	<i>Total Cost for Water Facility and Operations</i>										<i>Total Cost</i>	
	<i>1-5</i>	<i>6-10</i>	<i>11-15</i>	<i>16-20</i>	<i>21-25</i>	<i>26-30</i>	<i>31-35</i>	<i>36-40</i>	<i>41-45</i>	<i>46-50</i>		
Intake and Conveyance Facilities	\$4,940	\$2,660	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,600
Land Acquisition	\$335	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$335
Energy	\$0	\$83	\$165	\$165	\$165	\$165	\$165	\$165	\$165	\$165	\$165	\$1,403
O&M	\$0	\$44	\$88	\$88	\$88	\$88	\$88	\$88	\$88	\$88	\$88	\$748
Total Cost	\$5,275	\$2,787	\$253	\$253	\$253	\$253	\$253	\$253	\$253	\$253	\$253	\$10,086
Running Total	\$5,275	\$8,062	\$8,315	\$8,568	\$8,821	\$9,074	\$9,327	\$9,580	\$9,833	\$10,086	\$10,086	\$10,086

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3 8.3.2 8.3.2 CM 2: Stockton Deep Water Ship Channel Dissolved Oxygen Levels

4 This conservation measure, which will occur within the Stockton Deep Water Ship Channel, is
5 designed to maintain dissolved oxygen concentrations at levels that will not adversely affect
6 covered fish species during periods when these fish are present in the channel. The BDCP
7 Management Entity will operate and maintain an oxygen aeration facility in the channel to
8 increase dissolved oxygen concentrations between Turner Cut and Stockton to meet Total
9 Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) objectives established by the CVRWQCB (2005) (above 6.0
10 mg/L from September 1 through November 30 and above 5.0 mg/L at all times). The existing
11 aeration facility will be modified as necessary and, if necessary, additional aerators and
12 associated infrastructure will be added to optimize oxygen delivery to the river, contingent upon
13 results of an ongoing demonstration project conducted by DWR.

14 Operating costs at DWR's existing demonstration facility vary depending on the flows through
15 the ship channel. During dry years, the facility may operate for up to 100 days per year, while in
16 wet years no operations may be required. Depending on flow conditions, annual operating costs
17 range from \$10,000 to \$300,000 per year. For the purpose of the cost analysis, a mean annual

- 1 operating cost of \$150,000 has been assumed. This cost estimate is conservative given expected
 2 flows through the ship channel.¹⁵
- 3 DWR's existing aeration facility, constructed in 2007, cost \$3.5 million and is expected to have a
 4 15 year useful life.¹⁶ For the cost analysis, it was assumed the facility and its associated
 5 equipment would be replaced sometime between year 11 and 15 of the term of the BDCP.
- 6 Estimated costs of this measure over the term of the BDCP are shown in Table 8.9.

Table 8.9 Estimated Costs for Stockton Deep Water Ship Channel DO Diffusers

Cost by Period (mil. \$)	Cost Period										Total Cost
	1-5	6-0	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
Equipment Costs	0.00	0.00	3.50	0.00	0.00	3.50	0.00	0.00	3.50	0.00	10.50
Operating Costs	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	7.50
Total Cost	0.75	0.75	4.25	0.75	0.75	4.25	0.75	0.75	4.25	0.75	18.00
Running Total	0.75	1.50	5.75	6.50	7.25	11.50	12.25	13.00	17.25	18.00	18.00

7 **8.3.3 CM 3: Illegal Harvest**

8 This conservation measure provides for the funding of actions designed to reduce incidence of
 9 illegal harvest of covered fish species. Over the course of the BDCP, funding will be provided to
 10 support 17 field wardens and 5 supervisory staff that will be assigned to the Delta-Bay Enhanced
 11 Enforcement Program (DBEEP). Funding will be used to cover the following expenses: (1)
 12 salaries, wages, and benefits, (2) operating expenses, (3) minor equipment, (4) major equipment,
 13 and (5) overhead. Cost estimates for each category of expense are based on information
 14 provided by DFG.

15 Salaries, Wages, and Benefits

16 Estimated annual staffing costs are based on the DFG positions and salaries shown in Table 8.10,
 17 and the employee benefit assumptions described in Section 8.2.

¹⁵ The operating cost estimate prepared by DWR assumed the facility would operate on average 50 days per year. However, recent changes to the City of Stockton's Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility have resulted in improved water quality in the ship channel. If ship channel water quality improves further as a result of San Joaquin River restoration or Delta improvements, average operating days may dip below the level assumed for the cost analysis (McLaughlin, William. Senior Engineer, Stockton Deep Water Ship Channel Demonstration Dissolved Oxygen Project Bay-Delta Office California Department of Water Resources. Personal Communication).

¹⁶ McLaughlin, William. Senior Engineer, Stockton Deep Water Ship Channel Demonstration Dissolved Oxygen Project Bay-Delta Office California Department of Water Resources. Personal Communication.

Table 8.10 DFG Game Warden and Support Staff Wage and Salary Assumptions

<i>Position</i>	<i>Annual FTE Salary*</i>	<i>FTE Positions</i>	<i>Resources Agency Reference Position</i>
Fish & Game Warden	\$60,000	17	Fish and Game Warden, DFG Law Enforcement Div.
Patrol Lieutenant - Supervisor	\$73,500	1.0	Fish and Game Patrol Lieutenant – Supervisor, DFG Law Enforcement Div.
Associate Governmental Program Analyst	\$60,600	1.0	Associate Governmental Program Analyst, DFG Law Enforcement Div.
Staff Services Analyst-General	\$48,600	2.0	Staff Services Analyst-General, DFG Law Enforcement Div.
Secretary	\$37,900	1.0	Secretary, DFG Law Enforcement Div.
<i>Notes:</i>			
* Salary estimates based on proposed salaries for 2008-09 for corresponding positions within the Resources Agency, as reported by the California Department of Finance (www.dof.ca.gov/budget/historical/2008-09/salaries_and_wages/index.htm).			
Annual salary amounts shown in this table were multiplied by 1.35 to account for paid leave, health, retirement and other benefits.			

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2 **Operating Expenses**

3 Operating expenses have been estimated by DFG to be approximately \$1.3 million annually.
 4 Operating costs include allowances for facilities, vehicles, travel, training, general office
 5 expenses, and employee overtime.¹⁷

6 **Minor and Major Equipment**

7 Costs for minor equipment were estimated by DFG to be approximately \$410,000. Minor
 8 equipment is expected to be replaced every five years. Costs for major equipment were
 9 estimated by DFG to be approximately \$892,000. Major equipment is expected to be replaced
 10 every ten years. Boat costs were estimated by DFG to cost \$1.15 million. Boats are expected to
 11 be replaced every 15 years.

12 **Overhead**

13 An overhead multiplier of 0.23 was applied to labor, operating, and equipment costs to account
 14 for associated overhead costs DFG expects to incur to support the additional staff and equipment
 15 assigned to the DBEEP program.

16 Total costs of this conservation measure over the term of the BDCP are summarized in Table
 17 8.11.

¹⁷ Naslund, Brian. Captain, Delta-Bay Enhanced Enforcement Program, California Department of Fish and Game. Personal Communication.

Table 8.11 Estimated Illegal Harvest Reduction Costs by Cost Period

Costs by Period (mil. \$)	Cost Period										Total Cost
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
Salaries & Benefits	8.70	8.70	8.70	8.70	8.70	8.70	8.70	8.70	8.70	8.70	87.02
Operating Expenses	6.71	6.71	6.71	6.71	6.71	6.71	6.71	6.71	6.71	6.71	67.07
Minor Equipment	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	4.38
Major Equipment	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96	9.62
Overhead	3.87	3.87	3.87	3.87	3.87	3.87	3.87	3.87	3.87	3.87	38.66
Total Cost	20.68	20.68	20.68	20.68	20.68	20.68	20.68	20.68	20.68	20.68	206.75
Running Total	20.68	41.35	62.03	82.70	103.38	124.05	144.73	165.40	186.08	206.75	206.75

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2 **8.3.4 CM 4: Hatchery and Genetic Management Plans**

3 This conservation measure provides for the accelerated development and implementation of
 4 Hatchery and Genetic Management Plans (HGMPs) for state Chinook salmon and steelhead
 5 hatcheries located in California's Central Valley. Several coordinating actions with DFG and
 6 National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) associated with this conservation measure will be
 7 undertaken by the BDCP Management Entity. The costs associated with these efforts will
 8 primarily be staff-related and were included in the estimated costs for BDCP Program
 9 Administration presented later in this chapter.

10 In addition to these coordinating actions, the BDCP Management Entity will provide funding for:
 11 (1) the development of the HGMPs, (2) a new DFG HGMP staff position, and (3) additional staff
 12 at Central Valley hatcheries needed for HGMP implementation and updating. The costs
 13 estimated for each action are as follows.

14 HGMP Development and Updating

15 The cost analysis assumed 12 HGMPs would be updated every five years.¹⁸ Recent genetic
 16 management plans developed by DWR for the Feather River Hatchery have cost \$125,000 on
 17 average, with approximately 90 percent of this being consultant time, and 10 percent DWR staff
 18 time.¹⁹ The estimated cost for all twelve plans is estimated to be \$1.5 million every five years.

19 DFG HGMP Coordinator Staff Position

20 An HGMP Coordinator will be hired to coordinate the development, updating, and
 21 implementation of the HGMPs among the state hatcheries. It was assumed the salary for this
 22 position would be equivalent to that for a Supervising Biologist with DFG's Fisheries Division.
 23 DFF estimated overhead and operating costs for the position at \$20,000 per year.²⁰ Total
 24 estimated cost to fund the position, including employee benefits and overhead, is \$128,000 per
 25 year.

¹⁸ Appendix XX provides the list of Central Valley hatcheries for which it is assumed HGMPs will be developed.

¹⁹ Kindopp, Jason. Feather River Program, California Department of Water Resources. Personal Communication.

²⁰ Shaffer, Kevin. Environmental Scientist, Native Anadromous Fish and Watershed Branch, California Department Fish and Game. Personal Communication.

1 Central Valley Hatcheries Staff Positions and Operations

2 It was assumed that each hatchery would need to hire a biologist to oversee the implementation
 3 of the individual management plans. DFG estimated the cost of the position at \$92,000 per year,
 4 including benefits.²¹ It was assumed four biologists would be needed for the state hatcheries and
 5 two for the federal hatcheries. DFG estimated overhead and operating costs for each position at
 6 \$20,000 per year.²² Each hatchery was assumed to undertake genetic testing of 10 salmonids
 7 stocks every three years. The cost analysis assumed each test would require 50 samples at a cost
 8 of \$200 per sample. It was also assumed each hatchery would need to seasonally hire
 9 technicians to collect and record population data during salmon runs at a cost of \$40,000 per
 10 year.²³

11 Estimated costs for this conservation measure over the term of the BDCP are summarized in
 12 Table 8.12.

Table 8.12 Estimated HGMP Development and Implementation Support Costs by Cost Period

Costs by Period (mil. \$)	Cost Period										Total Cost
	1- 5	6- 10	11- 15	16- 20	21- 25	26- 30	31- 35	36- 40	41- 45	46- 50	
HGMP Development	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	15.0
DFG Coordinator	0.64	0.64	0.64	0.64	0.64	0.64	0.64	0.64	0.64	0.64	6.4
Hatcheries Staffing	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60	36.0
Genetic testing/data	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	3.70
Total Cost	6.11	6.11	6.11	6.11	6.11	6.11	6.11	6.11	6.11	6.11	61.1
Running Total	6.11	12.22	18.33	24.44	30.55	36.66	42.77	48.88	54.99	61.1	61.1

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14 **8.3.5 CM 5: Conservation Hatcheries**

15 *[Note to Reviewers: Cost estimates for smelt propagation programs are likely to be refined upon*
 16 *further input from staff at UC Davis Fish Culture Lab and USFWS.]*

17 This conservation measure provides for the support of existing and establishment of new
 18 conservation propagation programs for delta and longfin smelt. The conservation measure
 19 includes the following: (1) the development of a USFWS delta and longfin smelt conservation
 20 hatchery to house a delta smelt refugial population and provide a source of delta and longfin
 21 smelt for supplementation or reintroduction, if deemed necessary by Fishery Agencies, and (2)
 22 the expansion of the refugial population of delta smelt and establishment of a refugial population
 23 of longfin smelt at the University of California, Davis Fish Conservation and Culture Laboratory
 24 to serve as a population safeguard in case of a catastrophic event in the wild.

²¹ Ibid.

²² Ibid.

²³ Lee, Dennis. Consulting Fisheries Scientist. Personal Communication.

1 USFWS Delta and Longfin Smelt Conservation Hatchery

2 The proposed USFWS hatchery is described in Chapter 3, *Conservation Strategy*. Estimated
3 construction costs for the facility, as developed by USFWS, are \$19.4 million.²⁴ Annual
4 operating costs, also developed by USFWS, are \$1.5 - \$2.0 million.²⁵ It was assumed the facility
5 will be constructed by the end of the fifth year of the BDCP and that an annual operating cost of
6 \$1.75 million will be incurred starting in the sixth year of the BDCP.

7 Expansion of Delta and Longfin Smelt Refugial Population

8 The current fish facility at the University of California, Davis will be expanded to support delta
9 and longfin smelt refugial populations in the near term. U.C. Davis has estimated facility
10 expansion will cost \$5 million. It is also estimated that annual operating costs will be \$2 million.
11 Operating costs are expected to decrease to approximately \$800,000 in the eighth year, once the
12 USFWS hatchery is in full operation.²⁶ It is further assumed that expansion will be completed
13 within the first two years of plan implementation and that annual operating costs will accrue
14 starting the third year of plan implementation.

15 Estimated costs for this conservation measure over the term of the BDCP are shown in Table
16 8.13.

Table 8.13 Delta and Longfin Smelt Propagation Program Costs by Cost Period

<i>Costs by Period (mil. \$)</i>	<i>Cost Period</i>										<i>Total Cost</i>
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
USFWS Smelt Hatchery	19.4	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	98.2
Smelt Refugium	11.0	6.4	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	49.4
Total Cost	30.4	15.2	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	147.6
Running Total	30.4	45.6	58.3	71.1	83.8	96.6	109.3	122.1	134.8	147.6	147.6

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18 **8.3.6 CM 6: Non-Native Predator Control**

19 This conservation measure addresses the local effects of non-native predators on covered fish
20 species by supporting focused predator control in high predator density locations. The BDCP
21 will conduct focused predator control using a variety of methods in locations in the Delta that are
22 known to have high densities of predators (“predator hot spots”). Locations of hot spots in
23 which focused predator control will occur and assumptions used to estimate predator control
24 costs for these sites are listed in Table 8.14.

²⁴ Clarke, Robert. Regional Program Coordinator, National Fish Passage Program, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

²⁵ Ibid.

²⁶ Lindberg, Joan. Co-Director, Fish Culture Laboratory, University of California, Davis. Personal Communication.

Table 8.14 Focused Non-Native Predator Control Locations in Delta

<i>Delta Non-Native Predator Hot Spot</i>	<i>Assumptions for Cost Estimate</i>
1. Old structures in or hanging over Delta waterways, such as pier pilings or other artificial structures, that are no longer functional or have been abandoned but affect flow fields and provide shade	Up to 20 structures removed per year
2. Vessels that were abandoned throughout the Delta	Up to 10 vessels removed per year
3. New intake structures of the North Delta Diversions	Daily predator harvest using large purse seine nets at 5 locations from October through May.
4. The deep hole just downstream of the Head of Old River in the San Joaquin River	Daily predator harvest using large purse seine nets at 1 location from October through May.
5. Specific locations in Georgiana Slough, as identified by fishery agencies	Daily predator harvest using large purse seine nets at 3 locations from October through May.
6. Specific locations in Sutter and Steamboat sloughs, as identified by fishery agencies	Daily predator harvest using large purse seine nets at 4 locations from October through May.
7. Release sites of salvaged fish from CVP/SWP facilities	Weekly predator harvest using large purse seine nets at 4 locations from October through May.

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2 **Structure Removal Cost Assumptions**

3 An average cost of \$7,800 per structure was assumed. Average structure removal costs are based
4 on costs to remove 30 feet of docking with piles spaced at 10 foot intervals. Dock demolition
5 and disposal was assumed to cost \$100 per foot. Pile removal was assumed to cost \$800 per pile.
6 Dock and pile removal costs are based on cost information provided by the Contra Costa County
7 Sherriff Department.²⁷ It was assumed that up to 20 structures per year will be removed.

8 **Vessel Removal Cost Assumptions**

9 Vessel removal costs are based on the average cost per vessel for removal of 408 vessels in
10 2002-03 and 2003-04 by Department of Boating and Waterways.²⁸ The average cost of removal
11 was approximately \$3,050 per vessel (in 2009 dollars). It was assumed that up to 10 vessels
12 would be removed per year.

13 **Focused Predator Control Cost Assumptions**

14 Predator control using large purse seine nets was assumed to occur daily at 13 locations and
15 weekly at 4 locations in the Delta (Table 8.14) between October and May. A predator control
16 event was assumed to require three boat passes over a hot spot, requiring on average 1.5 hours,
17 plus 0.5 hours for travel between sites. It was estimated that 3.4 full-time-equivalent boat crews
18 would be required to operate 241 days per year.

19 Boat crews were assumed to consist of two mates and a DFG fish habitat specialist. Labor rates
20 were based on FY 2008-09 salary scales for reference positions within the DFG, as reported by

²⁷ Doug Powell, Contra Cost County Sheriff Department. Personal Communication.

²⁸ www.dbw.ca.gov/PDF/Reports/AVAC_Report.pdf, page 10, accessed on 3/25/2010

1 the California Department of Finance.²⁹ Labor rates were increased by a factor of 1.35 to account
2 for benefits. A cost contingency of 20% was added to calculated labor costs.

3 Boats used for predator control were assumed to cost \$40,000 and have a 10-year useful life.³⁰
4 An annual operating cost, covering fuel, maintenance, repairs, and other incidental costs of
5 \$48,200 per boat was estimated.³¹ A cost contingency of 20% was added to calculated boat
6 purchase and operating costs.

7 Estimated costs for this conservation measure over the term of the BDCP are summarized in
8 Table 8.15.

Table 8.15 Focused Non-Native Predator Control Costs

<i>Costs by Period (mil. \$)</i>	<i>Cost Period</i>										<i>Total Cost</i>
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
Hot Spot Pred. Control	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	36.2
Vessel Removal	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	1.8
Structure Removal	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	9.4
Total Costs	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	47.4
Running Total Costs	4.7	9.5	14.2	19.0	23.7	28.4	33.2	37.9	42.7	47.4	47.4

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10 **8.3.7 CM 7: Non-Physical Fish Barriers**

11 This conservation measure provides funding for the installation and operation of non-physical
12 barriers at the heads of various Delta channels to redirect outmigrating juvenile salmonids.
13 Potential locations for non-physical barriers are described in Chapter 3, *Conservation Strategy*,
14 and include the Head of Old River, the Delta Cross Channel, Georgiana Slough, Turner Cut,
15 Columbia Cut, the Delta Mendota Canal intake, and the Clifton Court Forebay.

16 A pilot project was carried out at the Head of Old River, using 14 sections of bubble generators,
17 each 8 meters long. This project used leased equipment and consultant operators. For the spring
18 season of 2009, the facility was estimated to cost \$1.3 million dollars to operate.³² DWR expects
19 the experience gained through this pilot program will allow a ten percent reduction in future
20 operating costs.

21 Estimated costs were based on the installation and operation of non-physical barriers at seven
22 Delta locations during outmigration periods. The annual cost of operating each barrier was
23 assumed to equal 90 percent of the pilot program costs plus a 20 percent cost contingency.
24 Estimated costs of this conservation measure over the term of the BDCP are summarized in
25 Table 8.16.

²⁹ www.dof.ca.gov/budget/historical/2008-09/salaries_and_wages/index.htm

³⁰ Boat cost assumption based on a sample of prices for new 20-25 foot center console fishing boats.

³¹ Operating costs are based on sample of hourly vessel operating costs for DFG 20-25 ft boats used for IEP surveys. Costs include fuel, maintenance, repairs, and haul out. Operating costs calculated with DFG Vessel Op Costs spreadsheet model (VesselOpCosts2009.xls).

³² Holderman, Mark. Supervising Engineer, Bay –Delta Office, California Department of Water Resources. Personal Communication.

Table 8.16 Estimated Non-Physical Barriers Program Costs by Cost Period

Costs by Period (mil. \$)	Cost Period										Total Cost	
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50		
Cost for 7 Barriers	49.1	49.1	49.1	49.1	49.1	49.1	49.1	49.1	49.1	49.1	49.1	491.4
Running Total	49.1	98.3	147.4	196.6	245.7	294.8	344.0	393.1	442.3	491.4	491.4	491.4

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2 **8.3.8 CM 8: Methylmercury**

3 *[Note to reviewers: Cost estimates for this conservation measure will be developed once specific*
4 *methods to reduce the methylation of mercury in BDCP habitat restoration areas have been*
5 *determined and described.]*

6 **8.3.9 CM 9: Non-Native Aquatic Vegetation Control**

7 *[Note to Reviewers: At this point in time, cost estimates are presented for two levels of aquatic*
8 *vegetation removal in order to support deliberations on selection of a preferred option. It is*
9 *important to note that the preferred option could differ from the options shown below. Once the*
10 *selection of a preferred option has been made, Chapter 8 will be revised to present the cost*
11 *estimate for just that option.]*

12 This conservation measure provides for the control of Brazilian waterweed (*Egeria densa*), water
13 hyacinth (*Eichhornia crassipes*), and other non-native submerged and floating aquatic vegetation
14 (SAV and FAV) in BDCP tidal habitat restoration areas. To implement this conservation
15 measure, the BDCP will apply existing methods used by DBWs *Egeria densa* and Water
16 Hyacinth Control Programs, such as applying herbicides as specific as possible to these species,
17 conducting mechanical removal, and/or using other methods of removal as dictated by site-
18 specific conditions and intended outcome/goal. Application of herbicides or other means to
19 control SAV/FAV will be timed to eliminate or minimize potential negative effects of SAV/FAV
20 removal on covered species.

21 Non-native vegetation control costs vary greatly in the Delta, depending on location, plant
22 density, time of year, method of eradication, and need for environmental monitoring. In recent
23 years, environmental monitoring and regulatory compliance costs have comprised approximately
24 40 percent of total eradication costs, adding substantially to costs of eradication per acre (DBW
25 2006).³³ Between 2003 and 2005, DBW's aquatic vegetation removal program costs averaged
26 about \$2,500/acre (2009 dollars). However, budgetary estimates contained in the 2006
27 addendum to DBW's *Egeria densa* EIR suggest per acre costs as high as \$4,500/acre.³⁴ For the
28 BDCP cost analysis, a cost of \$2,500/acre was assumed.

29 Low and high cost estimates are shown in Table 8.17. The low cost estimate assumed 5 percent
30 of tidal habitat acreage will be treated annually.³⁵ The high cost estimate assumed 10 percent of

³³ Department of Boating and Waterways, "Egeria densa Control Program (EDCP): Second Addendum to 2001 Environmental Impact Report with 5-year Program Review and Future Operations Plan, December 8, 2006.

³⁴ Ibid.

³⁵ Treated acreage is calculated as a percentage of the total tidal marsh footprint, including uplands acreage. Therefore, the amount of treated tidal and subtidal acreage, as a percentage of total restored tidal and subtidal acreage, would be higher than the percentages listed above.

- 1 tidal habitat acreage will be treated annually. Treatment was assumed to begin in the third year
2 of the BDCP.

Table 8.17 BDCP Aquatic Vegetation Removal Acreages and Costs by Cost Period

Costs by Period (mil. \$)	Cost Period										Total Cost
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
<i>Option 1: Treat 5% of Tidal Marsh Footprint Acreage Annually</i>											
Acres Treated Per Yr	194	648	1,061	1,398	1,681	1,965	2,248	2,532	2,532	2,532	
Total Treatment Cost	2.9	9.7	15.9	21.0	25.2	29.5	33.7	38.0	38.0	38.0	251.8
Running Total Cost	2.9	12.6	28.6	49.5	74.7	104.2	137.9	175.9	213.9	251.8	251.8
<i>Option 2: Treat 10% of Tidal Marsh Footprint Acreage Annually</i>											
Acres Treated Per Yr	389	1,297	2,121	2,795	3,362	3,929	4,496	5,063	5,063	5,063	
Total Treatment Cost	5.8	19.4	31.8	41.9	50.4	58.9	67.4	75.9	75.9	75.9	503.7
Running Total Cost	5.8	25.3	57.1	99.0	149.5	208.4	275.8	351.8	427.7	503.7	503.7

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- 4 **8.3.10 CM 10: Tidal Habitat Restoration**
- 5 *[Note to Reviewers: At this point in time, cost estimates are presented for two tidal habitat*
6 *restoration options in order to support deliberations on selection of a preferred option. It is*
7 *important to note that the preferred option could differ from the options shown below. Once the*
8 *selection of a preferred option has been made, Chapter 8 will be revised to present the cost*
9 *estimate for just that option. Also note that the final cost estimate will not include tidal habitat in*
10 *the East Delta ROA, however, the total acreage of habitat will be unchanged.]*

11 Tidal habitat restoration cost estimates were based on the extent and location of hypothetical
12 tidal habitat restoration sites for the near-term (estimated Year 10), early long-term (estimated
13 Year 15), and late long-term (estimated Year 40) time periods of the Plan shown in Table 8.18.³⁶
14 See Chapter 5, *Effects Analysis*, for a description of how hypothetical habitat restoration designs
15 were developed. Estimated costs for tidal habitat restoration include the cost of land acquisition
16 and the cost of tidal habitat construction. These costs were estimated as follows.

Table 8.18 Tidal Habitat Restoration Footprint Acreage

	Acres	Running Total Acres
Near Term (assumed PY 10)	14,000	14,000
Early Long Term (assumed PY 15)	11,000	25,000
Late Long Term (assumed PY 40)	40,000	65,000

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- 18 *Tidal Habitat Restoration Land Acquisition Costs*

19 Land use classification data from DWR land use surveys and county parcel boundary data were
20 used to determine the number of parcels and amount of acreage by land use classification that

³⁶ The acreage foot prints were derived from RMA modeling conducted for the BDCP effects analysis.

1 will need to be acquired within each tidal habitat restoration site footprint.³⁷ Publicly-owned
 2 parcels were not counted in the costing. Acreage within each tidal habitat restoration footprint
 3 was classified as: (1) native vegetation, (2) field crop, (3) truck crop, (4) orchard, (5) vineyard,
 4 (6) semi-agricultural, and (7) urban.

5 The amount of privately-held land that will be acquired in each cost period was estimated by
 6 linear interpolation of the near-term, early long-term, and late long-term acreages listed in Table
 7 8.18. Land costs were based on the per acre fee title costs listed in Table 8.4. Transactional
 8 costs were calculated using the common assumptions in Tables 8.1 and 8.2. The details of these
 9 calculations are provided in Appendix XX. Estimated land acquisition costs over the term of the
 10 BDCP are summarized in Table 8.19.

Table 8.19 Tidal Habitat Land Acquisition Cost (mil. \$)

	Land Purchase Cost Per Costing Period										Total Cost
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
Total	71.7	71.7	151.0	130.3	130.3	130.3	130.3	130.3	0.0	0.0	946.1
Running Total	71.7	143.4	294.4	424.8	555.1	685.4	815.8	946.1	946.1	946.1	946.1

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12 Tidal Habitat Construction Cost Scenarios

13 Tidal habitat restoration will involve a broad range of construction activities, as described in
 14 Chapter 3, *Conservation Strategy*. Mass grading and construction of temporary and permanent
 15 flood-protection levees will account for most of the construction cost. Low and high
 16 construction cost estimates were developed, which differ in terms of the extent of mass grading
 17 necessary. Two scenarios were assessed because the extent to which surface grading will be
 18 used to adjust the mix of intertidal (mainly marsh plain) and subtidal (mainly estuarine aquatic)
 19 habitat has not been determined. The estimated intertidal and subtidal habitat acreages for the
 20 low and high cost scenarios are summarized in Table 8.20. The acreages in Table 8.20 are based
 21 on the same hypothetical tidal habitat restoration footprint and phasing assumptions that were
 22 used for the effects analysis, with minor modifications in the West Delta ROA.³⁸

Table 8.20 Tidal Habitat Restoration Area Estimates by Scenario

	Habitat Area (acres)			
	Tidal Marsh	Subtidal	Other	Total
Low Cost Scenario	14,500	33,000	17,500	65,000
High Cost Scenario	29,000	26,500	9,500	65,000

Note: The acreage footprints are derived from hydrodynamic modeling for a July 2002 base period. Tidal habitat is defined as the area between mean lower low water (MLLW) and mean higher high water (MHHW). Subtidal habitat is defined as the area below MLLW. Other habitat includes areas which are currently within intertidal elevations, but would be above high tides, based on the modeling predictions, once restoration is complete. The tidal ranges and associated acreages shown in the table do not account for long-term forecasts of sea level rise.

³⁷ Parcels were counted only if at least 10 percent of their acreage was included in the footprint in order to avoid counting parcels just touching the footprint or having very little acreage in it.

³⁸ Due to very substantial fill and grading requirements in the West Delta ROA under the original hypothetical footprint, the footprint assumed for the cost analysis was reconfigured slightly to avoid tidal habitat construction in the most subsided parts of the ROA.

1 Cost Assumptions for Mass Grading

2 *[Note to Reviewers: The final estimate will not include tidal habitat in the East Delta ROA. The*
3 *total acreage of habitat, however, will be unchanged.]*

4 Significant areas within the ROAs have subsided to a degree that natural sedimentation processes
5 alone will not increase intertidal elevations to levels necessary to support the establishment of
6 vegetation. To establish suitable elevations for intertidal marsh restoration, fill will need to be
7 placed (mechanically or hydraulically) in subsided areas or biomass accumulation (also referred
8 to as subsidence reversal) will need to occur prior to levee breaching. Because the extent to
9 which grading will be needed to achieve the desired mix of intertidal and subtidal habitat has not
10 been determined, cost estimates were developed for two conceptual mass grading scenarios. For
11 each scenario, fill settlement has been taken into account in the volume calculations as a function
12 of fill height and approximate depth of underlying peat soils.³⁹

13 The low cost grading scenario assumes 4.9 million cubic yards (MCY) of fill placement will be
14 used to raise grades to suitable intertidal marsh elevations in parts of the West Delta ROA. The
15 high cost grading scenario assumes an additional 13.7 MCY of grading and fill placement will be
16 used to expand the intertidal area in the West Delta, Cache Slough, South Delta, and Cosumnes-
17 Mokelumne ROAs.

18 Cost estimates were based on the following mass grading assumptions for each ROA.⁴⁰

19 **Suisun Marsh:** The cost estimate assumed no mass grading will be required. Suisun Marsh has
20 a relatively high potential for estuarine deposition to raise elevations from subtidal to intertidal
21 compared to the Delta ROAs. In addition, because of the regional geomorphic setting of Suisun
22 Marsh, the tide signal is not expected to be as compressed as modeled in the long term, resulting
23 in a relatively high extent of intertidal habitat area created without fill placement.

24 **West Delta:** The low cost scenario assumed restoration areas on subsided West Delta islands
25 would be filled with hydraulically-placed dredged material to create a mix of approximately 20
26 percent intertidal and 80 percent subtidal habitat in all except the most deeply subsided areas
27 (deeper than approximately 9 feet below mean low low-water (MLLW)). The high cost scenario
28 assumed these same restoration areas will be filled to create 100 percent intertidal habitat, again
29 with the exception of the most deeply subsided areas. Both cost scenarios assumed the Dutch
30 Slough site mass grading will consist of land-based fill placement (from local borrow and the
31 Ironhouse Sanitary parcel), per the current DWR restoration plan (PWA 2006). Both scenarios
32 assumed existing artificial fill above intertidal elevations will be removed at no cost to the
33 project. West Delta fill costs were based on estimated costs of placing dredged material and the
34 planning-level cost estimate for Dutch Slough.

³⁹ PWA, 2002 and K Tillis, pers.comm.

⁴⁰ It should be noted that alternative methods for converting subtidal habitat to intertidal marsh, such as bioaccumulation (subsidence reversal) and more extensive dredged material fill placement, have not been included in the cost estimates. Bioaccumulation involves planting and controlled flooding of marsh vegetation (e.g., tules, cattails) to allow for the accumulation of organic material over time to increase surface elevations. Allowing bioaccumulation to occur over a period of 20-30 years prior to breaching could increase grades by approximately three feet relative to the tides, assuming an accretion rate of one foot every six years. Bioaccumulation is most applicable to late long term restoration actions because of the time needed to increase surface elevations. To use this approach, the rate of land acquisition set out in the BDCP would need to be accelerated to provide sufficient opportunities for bioaccumulation to occur.

1 **Cache Slough, South Delta, and Cosumnes-Mokelumne:** For these ROAs, the low cost
2 scenario assumed no mass grading is required. The high cost scenario assumed some land-based
3 cut and fill. To estimate the volume of fill required, it was assumed that lands with elevations up
4 to one foot above mean high high-water (MHHW) will be lowered to the MHHW elevation. The
5 cut material will then be placed in shallow subtidal areas to raise them up to the MLLW
6 elevation. Additionally, mass grading costs for the Cache Slough ROA are based on the
7 assumption that earthmoving will be phased over several decades, requiring interim stockpiling
8 of fill material on one or more parcels. Cut and fill areas were broadly categorized based on
9 anticipated haul distances, and the need for interim stockpiling. Unit costs for grading and fill
10 were based on grading and fill costs for a sample of regional tidal marsh restoration projects.

11 Cost Assumptions for Flood Protection Levees

12 Flood protection levees will be necessary to protect adjacent developed and other lands that have
13 not been protected for tidal habitat restoration. Levee cost estimates were based on a total of 44
14 miles of permanent levees along the upland edges of the ROAs, 32 miles of permanent levees on
15 subsided areas in the interiors of the ROAs, and 50 miles of temporary levees that will need to be
16 breached or removed as restoration progresses. Estimated levee heights and unit volumes for
17 each type of levee, by ROA, are shown in Table 8.21.

18 The typical levee height for permanent levees was calculated as the difference between the
19 FEMA 100-year flood elevation and a typical ground elevation, plus an allowance for settlement,
20 freeboard and future sea level rise. Typical ground elevation was estimated by ROA and by
21 levee type. Settlement was estimated for each levee type within an ROA as a function of levee
22 height and approximate depth of underlying peat soils.⁴¹ A crest width of 16 feet was assumed
23 for all levees, with average side slopes of 5:1 and 2:1 (horizontal:vertical) on the outboard and
24 inboard sides, respectively.

25 Unit costs were derived from per cubic yard costs based on similar constructed projects. Unit
26 costs ranging from \$5 to \$30 per cubic yard, depending on anticipated soil strength and distance
27 of fill material source, were applied. It was assumed that the fill necessary for levee construction
28 will be obtained from sources within the ROA. For island levees, it was assumed that material
29 will be imported from offsite locations by barge and conveyor system.

⁴¹ PWA 2002 and K Tillis, pers.comm.

Table 8.21 Estimated Levee heights and unit volumes by ROA

ROA	FEMA Base Flood Elevation (ft NAVD)	Temporary Levees		Permanent Levee (subsided areas)		Permanent Levee (upland edge)	
		Total Height* (ft)	Unit Volume (cy/lf)	Total Height* (ft)	Unit Volume (cy/lf)	Total Height* (ft)	Unit Volume (cy/lf)
Cache Slough	17.0	19.8	62.4			12.1	26.3
Suisun Marsh	10.0	10.8	21.4	9.3	16.7	-	-
Cosumnes-Mokelumne	20.0	-	-	22.5	79.0	-	-
West Delta	9.0	-	-	18.0-26.0	53-105	-	-
East Delta	10.0	-	-	15.4	39.9	7.1	10.7
South Delta	14.0			20.2	64.9	10.7	21.2

* Total levee height includes allowance for settlement, future sea level rise, and freeboard.

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2 Other Restoration Elements

3 A unit cost of \$3,600 per acre was applied to the acreages shown in Table 8.20 to account for
4 restoration elements other than mass grading and flood protection levees. This unit cost is based
5 on costs for typical, large-scale tidal marsh restorations that have been completed (or are in final
6 stages of design) in the San Francisco Bay: Napa Salt Ponds, South Bay Salt Ponds (multiple
7 sites), Eden Landing Ecological Reserve, Bahia Wetlands, Petaluma Marsh, Cooley Landing,
8 Outer Bair Island and Blacklock Marsh (Suisun Bay). Projects located in San Francisco Bay
9 were used as analogues because of the lack of large-scale tidal habitat restoration projects within
10 the Delta to serve as reference sites.

11 Contingency Costs

12 There are several challenges and limitations associated with estimating construction costs for the
13 tidal habitat restoration. Consequently, estimates of construction costs and of the expected
14 outcomes regarding the extent of habitat acreages created may ultimately be low or high. The
15 uncertainties potentially affecting cost estimates are largely related to the following factors:

- 16 • Few, if any, examples of large-scale, planned tidal habitat restoration projects exist in the
17 Delta to serve as reference sites.
- 18 • Flexible restoration footprints within the ROAs.
- 19 • Flexible sequencing of restoration projects.
- 20 • Future determinations regarding desired mix of intertidal marsh and subtidal habitat and
21 therefore relative emphasis on using mass grading and fill to expand intertidal areas.
- 22 • Future evaluation of site specific features (e.g., utilities), conditions (e.g., weak soils,
23 degraded levees), and adjacent land uses that may require additional design effort and
24 construction costs.
- 25 • Future assessment of actual (versus modeled) changes to tide range over time due to
26 phased restoration actions, geomorphic evolution, and sea level rise.

27 Each restoration site will have its own unique characteristics, causing actual construction costs to
28 differ from the estimates set out in this chapter. Factors that may affect actual costs include:

1 relocation of existing utilities, improvements necessary for site access, and accommodation for a
 2 phased approach to construction. The precise cost of restoration projects will not be known until
 3 site-specific designs are completed. A 35 percent contingency was applied to estimated
 4 construction costs to account for these unknowns.

5 Total Tidal Habitat Construction Costs

6 Low and high construction cost estimates for tidal habitat restoration are summarized in Table
 7 8.22.

Table 8.22 Total Construction Costs for Tidal Habitat Restoration

<i>Cost Component</i>	<i>Low Cost Estimate</i>	<i>High Cost Estimate</i>
Mass Grading Costs	\$ 35,279,000	\$ 234,012,000
Long-term Levee Costs	\$ 333,312,000	\$ 333,312,000
Temporary Levee Costs	\$ 236,464,000	\$ 236,464,000
Other Restoration Costs	\$ 235,698,000	\$ 239,140,000
Subtotal Construction Costs	\$ 840,753,000	\$ 1,042,928,000
Cost Uncertainty (15%)	\$ 126,113,000	\$ 156,439,000
Site Specific Factors (20%)	\$ 168,151,000	\$ 208,586,000
Total Construction Costs	\$ 1,135,017,000	\$ 1,407,950,000
Related Costs		
Permitting, Survey & Design (20%)	\$ 227,003,000	\$ 281,589,000
Construction Administration (7%)	\$ 79,451,000	\$ 98,557,000
Vegetation Establishment (3%)	\$ 34,051,000	\$ 42,239,000
Grand Total	\$ 1,475,522,000	\$ 1,830,335,000

8 9 Per Acre Tidal Habitat Construction Costs

10 Estimated construction costs per acre for each ROA are shown in Table 8.23. The variation in
 11 costs across the ROAs is due to differences in fill, mass grading, and levee construction
 12 requirements. The high construction costs estimated for the West Delta ROA are caused by the
 13 extensive mass grading required for tidal habitat creation in that region of the Delta.

Table 8.23 Estimated Per Acre Construction Costs for Tidal Habitat Restoration

<i>ROA</i>	<i>Tidal Habitat Construction Cost Per Acre</i>	
	<i>Low Cost Estimate</i>	<i>High Cost Estimate</i>
Cache Slough	\$16,000	\$26,000
Suisun Marsh	\$12,000	\$12,000
South Delta	\$26,000	\$30,000
Cosumnes-Mokelumne	\$20,000	\$20,000
East Delta	\$32,000	\$34,000
West Delta	\$67,000	\$84,000
Average for All ROAs*	\$22,300	\$27,700

*Average for all ROAs is an acreage-weighted average and therefore does not equal the simple average of ROA per acre costs.

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1 Summary of Tidal Habitat Restoration Costs

2 Low and high total estimated costs for tidal marsh restoration over the 50-year term of the BDCP
3 are summarized in Table 8.24.

Table 8.24 Total Estimated Costs of Tidal Habitat Restoration (mil. \$)

<i>Low Cost</i>	<i>Total Cost for Tidal Marsh Habitat Creation Per Costing Period</i>										<i>Total Cost</i>
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
Land Acquisition	71.7	71.7	151.0	130.3	130.3	130.3	130.3	130.3	0.0	0.0	946.1
Construction	137.1	137.1	305.3	179.2	179.2	179.2	179.2	179.2	-	-	1,475.5
Total	208.8	208.8	456.3	309.5	309.5	309.5	309.5	309.5	0	0	2421.6
Running Total	208.8	417.6	873.9	1183.4	1492.9	1802.4	2111.9	2421.4	2421.4	2421.4	2421.4
<i>High Cost</i>	<i>Total Cost for Tidal Marsh Habitat Creation Per Costing Period</i>										<i>Total Cost</i>
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
Land Acquisition	71.7	71.7	151.0	130.3	130.3	130.3	130.3	130.3	0.0	0.0	946.1
Construction	160.1	160.1	444.3	213.2	213.2	213.2	213.2	213.2	0.0	0.0	1,830.3
Total	231.8	231.8	595.3	343.5	343.5	343.5	343.5	343.5	0	0	2776.4
Running Total	231.8	463.6	1058.9	1402.4	1745.9	2089.4	2432.9	2776.4	2776.4	2776.4	2776.4

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5 **8.3.11 CM 11: Channel Margin Habitat Enhancement**

6 This conservation measure provides for the enhancement of 20 linear miles of channel margin
7 habitat in the Delta.⁴² For the cost analysis, it was assumed that channel margin habitat
8 enhancement will entail creating low benches that support emergent vegetation and higher
9 elevation benches that support riparian vegetation along existing levees. Large woody material
10 (e.g., tree trunks and stumps) may be anchored into constructed low benches or in existing
11 ripped levees to provide similar habitat functions.

12 Channel margin enhancement cost estimates are based on conceptual design cross sections and
13 budget-level cost estimates for 95 USACE bank stabilization project sites (approximately 76,000
14 linear feet) along the Sacramento River and its tributaries.⁴³ Only bank stabilization projects that
15 included channel margin habitat enhancements for species that are covered under the BDCP
16 were considered for the BDCP cost analysis.

17 Line item cost estimates for each project were obtained from USACE. Cost items included
18 expenditures for: (1) soil cover, (2) instream woody material, (3) fascines, (4) landscape
19 materials, and (5) wetlands construction. Across the 95 projects, the cost of channel margin
20 enhancements averaged \$538/LF (linear foot). This estimate includes the cost of planning,
21 engineering and design (at 12 percent of construction cost), construction management (at 8

⁴² This could increase to up to 40 linear miles if adaptive management results in the deobligation of funds from other conservation measures.

⁴³ U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, "Sacramento River Bank Protection Project: Alternatives Report, 80,000 LF," April 3, 2009.

1 percent of construction cost), and contingency (at 20 percent of construction cost). USACE
 2 assumed channel margin enhancement projects would not require land purchases or easements,
 3 though in some cases construction was assumed to require land-side access to target sites. The
 4 BDCP cost estimate adopted the same assumptions.

5 Table 8.25 shows the expected schedule and associated costs of channel margin enhancements
 6 over the term of the BDCP.

Table 8.25 Estimated Costs of Channel Margin Improvements by Cost Period

<i>Miles/Costs by Period</i>	<i>Cost Period</i>										<i>Totals</i>
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
Miles Completed in Cost Period	2.5	2.5	3.0	3.0	4.5	4.5	-	-	-	-	20.0
Running Total Miles	2.5	5.0	8.0	11.0	15.5	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0	20.0
Costs (mil. \$)	\$7.1	\$7.1	\$8.5	\$8.5	\$12.8	\$12.8	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$56.8
Running Total Costs	\$7.1	\$14.2	\$22.7	\$31.2	\$44.0	\$56.8	\$56.8	\$56.8	\$56.8	\$56.8	\$56.8

7 8 **8.3.12 CM 12: Riparian Habitat Restoration**

9 This conservation measure provides for the establishment of 5,000 acres of riparian forest and
 10 scrub within areas of restored tidal marsh, floodplain, and channel margin. Establishment of
 11 riparian habitat will rely on both natural recruitment and active planting. Non-native vegetation
 12 in riparian restoration areas will be controlled during the first three years of native riparian
 13 establishment. Assumptions used to estimate the costs of this conservation measure are as
 14 follows.

15 **Natural Recruitment in Tidal Marsh Restoration Areas:** Natural recruitment of riparian
 16 forest and scrub was assumed to occur above the tidal range from MHHW to MHHW + 2.5 ft at
 17 sites that support suitable soils. Natural recruitment was assumed to take place in up to 20
 18 percent of areas with generally suitable soils, and in up to 40 percent of areas with more fluvial
 19 disturbance (e.g., portions of the Cosumnes-Mokelumne ROA), where there is more potential for
 20 fluvial inundation and scour to refresh soil surfaces.

21 **Active Planting in Tidal Marsh Restoration Areas:** Active planting of riparian forest and
 22 scrub was assumed to occur in areas adjacent to naturally recruited vegetation in order to
 23 increase riparian patch size and enhance riparian habitat quality. It was assumed that active
 24 planting acreage will equal 30 percent of natural recruitment acreage in each ROA. A plant
 25 density of 170 plants per acre was assumed, which is consistent with an “over-planting”
 26 approach designed to rapidly establish native riparian species and reduce the need for replanting.
 27 A 70 percent survivorship rate was assumed over the three-year establishment period. Active
 28 planting was estimated to cost \$3,970 per acre, and includes management, field preparation,
 29 irrigation installation, and planting costs. The unit cost assumption is based on riparian
 30 establishment costs for comparable projects in the Central Valley. A 20 percent cost
 31 contingency was added to the estimate.

Management of Riparian Vegetation in Tidal Marsh Restoration Areas: Control of non-native vegetation during the three-year establishment period will be required. Control of non-native vegetation will take place in both natural recruitment and active planting areas. It was assumed that control will occur on 100 percent of active planting areas and 50 percent of natural recruitment areas. Annual control cost in areas of active planting was assumed to be \$1,290 per acre. The unit cost assumption is based on non-native vegetation control costs for comparable projects in the Central Valley. Control of non-native vegetation in natural recruitment areas was assumed to cost 40 percent more than in active planting areas to account for more varied and difficult non-native control conditions. A 20 percent cost contingency was added to the estimate.

Active Planting in Floodplain and Channel Margin Restoration Areas: The amount of active planting acreage in floodplain and channel margin restoration areas was based on the difference between targeted riparian acreage and estimated tidal marsh riparian acreage for the near-term, early long-term, and late long-term periods of the BDCP. Establishment of riparian habitat within restored floodplain was assumed to occur primarily in the South Delta ROA along the San Joaquin, Old, and Middle Rivers. Natural recruitment in floodplain areas and along channel margins was not assumed to contribute to riparian target acreage because of the likelihood native species composition and density would not result in quality riparian habitat.⁴⁴ Active planting cost assumptions in floodplain and channel margin restoration areas are the same as for tidal marsh restoration areas.

Management of Riparian Vegetation in Floodplain and Channel Margin Restoration Areas: Non-native vegetation control costs per acre during the three-year establishment period in floodplain and channel margin restoration areas were assumed to be the same as for tidal marsh restoration areas.

Estimated riparian acreage and establishment costs over the term of the BDCP are summarized in Table 8.26.

Table 8.26 Estimated Costs of Riparian Habitat Restoration

Riparian Acres/Costs	Cost Period										Total Acres/Cost	
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50		
<i>Riparian Acreage</i>												
Tidal Marsh - Natural Recruitment	77	77	110	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	1,664
Tidal Marsh - Active Planting	23	23	33	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	60	499
Floodplain - Active Planting	541	541	857	118	118	118	118	118	118	118	118	2,764
Channel Margin - Active Planting	9	9	0	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	73
Total	650	650	1,000	386	386	386	386	386	386	386	386	5,000
<i>Riparian Establishment Costs (mil. \$)</i>												
Riparian Planting Cost	\$2.7	\$2.7	\$4.2	\$0.9	\$0.9	\$0.9	\$0.9	\$0.9	\$0.9	\$0.9	\$0.9	\$15.9
Non-Native Control Cost	\$2.3	\$2.9	\$4.2	\$2.1	\$1.5	\$1.5	\$1.5	\$1.5	\$1.5	\$1.5	\$1.5	\$20.6
Total	\$5.1	\$5.6	\$8.4	\$3.0	\$2.4	\$2.4	\$2.4	\$2.4	\$2.4	\$2.4	\$2.4	\$36.5
Running Total	\$5.1	\$10.7	\$19.1	\$22.1	\$24.5	\$26.9	\$29.3	\$31.7	\$34.1	\$36.5	\$36.5	\$36.5

⁴⁴ Some funds for active planting in floodplain and channel margin restoration areas could be shifted to other conservation measures if subsequent monitoring shows that natural recruitment in these areas creates good riparian habitat.

1 8.3.13 CM 13: Seasonally Inundated Floodplain Restoration

2 *[Note to Reviewers: At this point in time, cost estimates are presented for two floodplain*
 3 *restoration cost sharing options in order to support deliberations on selection of a preferred*
 4 *option. Once the selection of a preferred option has been made, Chapter 8 will be revised to*
 5 *present the cost estimate for just that option.]*

6 This conservation measure provides for the creation of 10,000 acres of seasonally inundated
 7 floodplain habitat along the San Joaquin River downstream of Vernalis and along Old and/or
 8 Middle rivers. The locations identified in this analysis were used solely to estimate costs. The
 9 BDCP floodplain restoration conservation measures provide flexibility for restoration actions to
 10 occur along any major channel in the north, east, and south Delta. For cost estimation, it was
 11 assumed that floodplain habitat will be created by setting back existing levees, approximately
 12 1,000 feet on each side of a channel. For areas along the San Joaquin River between Vernalis
 13 and French Camp Slough, it was assumed that 7,000 acres of floodplain habitat will be created
 14 through the relocation of approximately 29 miles of existing levees. It was assumed an
 15 additional 3,000 acres of floodplain habitat will be created along Old and/or Middle rivers by
 16 moving approximately 12 miles of existing levees.

17 The assumed schedule of setback levee construction and floodplain habitat creation over the term
 18 of the BDCP is shown in Table 8.27.

Table 8.27 Estimated Miles of Setback Levees and Acres of Created Floodplain Habitat by Cost Period

<i>Miles or Acres of Floodplain Habitat Creation</i>	<i>Cost Period</i>										<i>Total Miles or Acres</i>
	<i>1-5</i>	<i>6-10</i>	<i>11-15</i>	<i>16-20</i>	<i>21-25</i>	<i>26-30</i>	<i>31-35</i>	<i>36-40</i>	<i>41-45</i>	<i>46-50</i>	
San Joaquin R.	-	0.9	2.0	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2			28.9
Old/Middle R.	-	0.4	0.9	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2			12.4
Total Miles	-	1.3	2.9	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	-	-	41.3
Running Total	-	1.3	4.2	11.6	19.0	26.4	33.8	41.3	41.3	41.3	41.3
Flood Plain Created (Ac)	-	300	700	1800	1800	1800	1800	1800	-	-	10,000
Running Total	-	300	1,000	2,800	4,600	6,400	8,200	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000

19
 20 Setback levees for both project and non-project levees⁴⁵ were assumed to be constructed to the
 21 PL84-99 (Delta Specific) Standard. Levees along the San Joaquin River were assumed to
 22 already meet this standard, while levees along Old and Middle rivers were assumed to be non-
 23 project levees that do not meet this standard. The average levee height was assumed to be 20
 24 feet, with a 5:1 interior slope, a 2:1 exterior slope, and a 16-foot wide crest. It was also assumed
 25 a graded, sloping bench to provide opportunities for both passive and active establishment of
 26 riparian vegetation will be added to the water-side of the levee.

⁴⁵ Project levees are part of the Sacramento Flood Control Project, which was completed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in 1960. Non-project levees are not part of a federal flood control project. Non-project levees are maintained by local districts with financial assistance from the State.

- 1 Floodplain development costs were grouped as follows: (1) land acquisition costs for floodplain
 2 habitat and setback levee footprint; (2) planning, design, engineering, and permitting costs; (3)
 3 construction management costs; (4) construction costs; and (5) contingency costs.
- 4 The amount and cost of land needed for floodplain development are summarized in Table 8.28.
 5 It was assumed floodplain creation will entail both fee title and easement purchases. Graded
 6 benches and other habitat features on the water-side of the setback levees are expected to render
 7 most of the created floodplain unsuitable for agricultural production. It was therefore assumed
 8 80 percent of the land will be acquired through fee purchases and 20 percent through
 9 conservation easements. Fee title and easement purchase costs are based on the land values for
 10 the South Delta ROA listed in Table 8.4⁴⁶ Real estate transaction costs were assumed to be the
 11 same for easement and fee title purchases and are based on the cost assumptions listed in Table
 12 8.2.⁴⁷ A 20 percent cost contingency was added to the land cost estimate.

Table 8.28 Flood Plain Habitat Land Acquisition Costs

<i>Acres/Costs by Period</i>	<i>Cost Period</i>										<i>Total Acres/Costs</i>
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
Flood Plain Created (Ac)	-	300	700	1800	1800	1800	1800	1800	-	-	10,000
Total Floodplain Habitat (Ac)	-	300	1,000	2,800	4,600	6,400	8,200	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Land Costs (mil \$)	\$0	\$7	\$17	\$44	\$44	\$44	\$44	\$44	\$0	\$0	\$245

- 13
 14 Levee construction cost estimates for setback levees were taken from Betchart (2008). Cost
 15 estimates were updated to 2009 dollars using USACE's Civil Works Construction Cost Index for
 16 levees and floodwalls. It was assumed upgrading existing levees to the PL84-99 (Delta Specific)
 17 standard will cost from \$1.5 to \$2.1 million per mile. It was assumed setting back levees will
 18 cost \$2.3 million per mile, while creating the water-side benches for habitat development will
 19 cost between \$1.2 million and \$2.3 million per mile.⁴⁸ Based on these estimates, the construction
 20 costs used for the cost analysis were assumed to be \$2.1 million per mile to upgrade non-project
 21 levees to the PL84-99 standard, \$2.3 million per mile to convert levees to setback levees, and
 22 \$2.3 million per mile to construct the water-side bench.⁴⁹ The unit cost estimate assumed
 23 necessary fill will be obtained locally. If fill needs to be imported, costs per mile will increase.
 24 The above unit costs include allowances for mobilization (10 percent), surveys, design,
 25 construction management and administration (30 percent), and contingency (10 percent).
- 26 Estimated setback levee construction costs over the term of the BDCP are summarized in Table
 27 8.29.

⁴⁶ Per the common assumption for estimating conservation easement costs.

⁴⁷ Due diligence costs and pre-acquisition survey costs were estimated using the common assumptions described in Section 8.2.1. The average number of riparian parcels per river mile, acres per parcel, and parcel perimeter were calculated using parcel-level GIS data for the target river reaches. The assumptions used to calculate the due diligence costs and pre-acquisition survey costs are further described in Appendix XX.

⁴⁸ The cost ranges cited here are in 2009 dollars. The cost estimates reported in Betchart (2008) were developed by the Delta Risk Management Strategy (DRMS)/URS Levee Optimization workgroup. The estimates are based on a very basic estimating system using assumed material quantities and unit prices and are considered to be first-order planning level estimates. Actual costs for constructing levee setbacks would be subject to substantial variation based on local conditions, availability of fill material, and changes in other construction assumptions.

⁴⁹ Channel margin enhancements for USACE bank erosion projects discussed in Section 8.2.3, which would be similar to the water-side enhancements envisioned for floodplain setback levees, had an average cost of \$2.8 million per mile. The lower cost estimate used here is based on the expectation of some economies of scale associated with setback levee construction.

Table 8.29 Estimated Costs for Setback Levees for Floodplain Habitat

Cost by Period (mil. \$)	Cost Period										Total Cost
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
San Joaquin R.	0.0	8.0	18.7	48.2	48.2	48.2	48.2	48.2	0.0	0.0	267.6
Old/Middle R.	0.0	5.0	11.7	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	0.0	0.0	166.5
Total Levee Cost	\$0.0	13.0	30.4	78.1	78.1	78.1	78.1	78.1	0.0	0.0	434.1

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2 Estimated costs for land acquisition and setback levee construction over the term of the BDCP
3 are summarized in Table 8.30.

Table 8.30 Estimated Costs for Land and Setback Levees for Floodplain Habitat

Cost Item	Cost by Period (mil. \$)										Total Cost
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
Land Acquisition	0.0	6.3	14.7	37.7	37.7	37.7	37.7	37.7	0.0	0.0	209.5
Setback Levees	0.0	13.0	30.4	78.1	78.1	78.1	78.1	78.1	0.0	0.0	434.1
Total Cost	0.0	19.3	45.0	115.8	115.8	115.8	115.8	115.8	0.0	0.0	643.5
Running Total	0.0	19.3	64.4	180.2	296.0	411.9	527.7	643.5	643.5	643.5	643.5

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5 Low and High Cost Share Estimates

6 *[Note to Reviewers: cost estimates are presented for two floodplain restoration cost sharing*
7 *options in order to support deliberations on selection of a preferred option. Once the selection*
8 *of a preferred option has been made, Chapter 8 will be revised to present the cost estimate for*
9 *just that option.]*

10 It was assumed some of the costs of floodplain creation will be funded by the State's flood
11 management program, with BDCP providing the remaining share of those costs. The low cost
12 estimate assumed the BDCP will pay for half the incremental levee setback costs and all the
13 incremental habitat development costs and half the land acquisition costs. The high cost estimate
14 assumed the BDCP will pay for incremental levee setback and habitat development costs and all
15 land acquisition costs, while the flood management program will pay for incremental levee costs
16 to raise levees to the P.L.84-99 (Delta Specific) standard. The low and high cost share estimates
17 are approximately 50 and 75 percent, respectively, of the costs listed in Table 8.30. Low and
18 high cost share estimates over the term of the BDCP are summarized in Table 8.31.

Table 8.31 Low and High Cost Sharing Estimates for Floodplain Habitat Creation

Cost Estimate	BDCP Floodplain Habitat Costs Per Period (mil. \$)										Total Cost
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
Low Estimate	0.0	9.7	32.2	90.1	148.0	205.9	263.9	321.8	321.8	321.8	321.8
High Estimate	0.0	14.5	48.3	135.1	222.0	308.9	395.8	482.7	482.7	482.7	482.7

19
20 **8.3.14 CM 14: Fremont Weir/Yolo Bypass Habitat Improvements**

21 This conservation measure provides for the implementation of nine physical modifications
22 within the Yolo bypass to enhance floodplain habitat for spawning and rearing splittail and

1 rearing habitat of juvenile Sacramento River salmonids, as described in Chapter 3, *Conservation*
2 *Strategy*. The nine modifications are:

- 3 1. **Fremont Weir Elevation Reduction.** Approximately 900 feet of the Fremont Weir will
4 be removed and soil beneath it will be excavated to an elevation of 17.5 feet (NAVD88).
5 The remaining notch will be fitted with operable “inundation gates” that will allow
6 controlled flow into the Yolo Bypass when the Sacramento River stage at the weir
7 exceeds 17.5 feet. An “inundation channel” will be excavated from the Sacramento
8 River to the new inundation gates and from the inundation gates to the Tule Canal to
9 convey water from the Sacramento River, through the gates, and to the Tule Canal. A
10 guidance structure in the Sacramento River in the vicinity of the inundation channel may
11 be constructed, if needed, to encourage the passage of juvenile salmonids migrating down
12 the Sacramento River into the Bypass. Infrastructure associated with operations of and
13 access to Fremont Weir gates may include electrical connectivity, gravel road and
14 parking lot improvements, and a bridge over the gates. In addition, levee improvements
15 may be needed to ensure that channel deepening adjacent to existing levees do not
16 undermine the levees. If necessary, lands will be acquired, in fee-title and through
17 conservation or flood easements.
- 18 2. **Deep Fish Passage Channel.** A small section of the Fremont Weir will be removed and
19 the soil beneath it will be excavated to an elevation of 11.5 feet (NAVD88). The
20 remaining notch will be fitted with operable “fish passage gates” that will allow
21 controlled flow into the Yolo Bypass when the Sacramento River stage is between 11.5
22 and 17.5 feet (NAVD88). A deeper “fish passage channel” will be excavated to convey
23 water from the Sacramento River to the new fish passage gates, and from the fish passage
24 gates to the Tule Canal to convey water from the Sacramento River, through the gates,
25 and to the Tule Canal.
- 26 3. **Yolo Bypass Modification.** Grading, removal of existing berms, levees, and water
27 control structures, construction of berms or levees, re-working of agricultural delivery
28 channels, and earthwork or construction of structures to reduce Tule Canal/Toe Drain
29 channel capacities will occur to the extent necessary to improve the distribution (e.g.,
30 wetted area) and hydrodynamic characteristics (e.g., residence times, flow ramping, and
31 recession) of water moving through the Yolo Bypass.
- 32 4. **Fremont Weir Fish Ladder Replacement.** The existing Fremont Weir Denil fish
33 ladder will be removed and replaced with new experimental fish passage facilities
34 designed to allow for the effective passage of adult salmonids from the Yolo Bypass past
35 the Fremont Weir and into the Sacramento River when the river overtops the weir.
- 36 5. **Experimental Sturgeon Ramps.** Experimental ramps will be constructed at the Fremont
37 Weir to allow for the effective passage of adult sturgeon and lamprey from the Yolo
38 Bypass over the Fremont Weir and into the Sacramento River when the river overtops the
39 weir by approximately 3 feet.

- 1 6. **Stilling Basin Modification.** Modifications will be made to the existing Fremont Weir
2 stilling basin to ensure that the basin drains sufficiently into the deep fish passage
3 channel.
- 4 7. **Sacramento Weir Improvements.** Improvements will be made to the Sacramento Weir
5 structure to reduce leakage and therefore reduce attraction of fish from the Yolo Bypass
6 to the weir. This action may require excavation of a channel to convey water from the
7 Sacramento River to the Sacramento Weir and from the Sacramento Weir to the Tule
8 Canal/Toe Drain, construction of new gates at a portion of the weir, and minor
9 modifications to the stilling basin of the weir to ensure proper basin drainage.
- 10 8. **Tule Canal/Toe Drain Improvements.** Three existing structures at the northern end of
11 the Tule Canal will be replaced by bridges or other structures to allow fish passage.
12 Lisbon Weir will be redesigned to improve fish passage while maintaining or improving
13 water capture efficiency for irrigation.
- 14 9. **Lower Putah Creek Improvements.** Lower Putah Creek will be realigned to improve
15 upstream and downstream passage of Chinook salmon and steelhead in Putah Creek.

16 Estimated Construction Costs

17 *[Note to Reviewers: Estimated construction costs are preliminary and subject to revision.*
18 *Order-of-magnitude design, project management, modeling, environmental documentation,*
19 *permitting, and construction costs were estimated by DWR engineering staff and consultants*
20 *using preliminary design concepts, rough estimates of material quantities, and unit prices for*
21 *comparable projects. Specific designs for weir and bypass modifications are yet to be*
22 *developed. A 50 percent contingency was added to all construction cost estimates to account for*
23 *the high degree of cost uncertainty in the estimates.]*

24 **Modifications 1-3:** Estimated costs address removal of weir sections, mass excavation and
25 hauling of spoils (2.63 MCY), installation of sheet piling, installation of pre-stressed concrete
26 piles, construction of a new reinforced concrete base slab, installation of a hydraulic gate system
27 (6000 cfs capacity) and associated controls, connection to the power grid, construction of a new
28 operations building and parking lot, and installation of security fencing. Estimated construction
29 costs total \$153 million, excluding contingency. Design costs were assumed to be 10 percent of
30 construction cost, or \$15.3 million. Agency coordination, project management, modeling,
31 environmental documentation, and permitting costs were estimated as a lump sum cost of \$40
32 million. Contingency on design and construction costs is \$84.2 million. It was assumed these
33 modifications would be completed between years 6 and 10 of the BDCP.

34 **Modifications 4 - 6:** Estimated costs address removal of the Denil fish ladder's existing wood
35 baffles and filling the baffle slots with concrete, re-constructing a small channel from the Denil
36 fish ladder to the Sacramento River (approx. 200 ft) and lining it with riprap, demolishing and
37 removing four 100 foot sections of the Fremont Weir, constructing four experimental sturgeon
38 ramps, and excavating and grading existing stilling basin to ensure proper drainage into the deep
39 fish passage channel. Estimated construction costs total \$5.4 million, excluding contingency.
40 Design costs were assumed to be 10 percent of construction cost, or \$0.5 million. Agency
41 coordination, project management, modeling, environmental documentation, and permitting

1 costs were estimated as a lump sum cost of \$1.8 million. Contingency on design and
2 construction costs is \$2.9 million. It was assumed these modifications would be completed
3 between years 6 and 10 of the BDCP.

4 **Modifications 7-9:** Estimated costs address modifications to the Sacramento Weir to reduce fish
5 stranding, improve fish passage, and improve weir apron drainage, Tule Canal/Toe Drain
6 improvements, and realignment of lower Putah Creek to improve fish passage. Estimated
7 construction costs total \$18.3 million. Design costs were assumed to be 10 percent of
8 construction cost, or \$1.8 million. Agency coordination, project management, modeling,
9 environmental documentation, and permitting costs were estimated as a lump sum cost of \$40
10 million. Contingency on design and construction costs is \$10.1 million. It was assumed
11 modification 7 would be completed between years 6 and 10 and modifications 8 and 9 between
12 years 1 and 5 of the BDCP.

13 Estimated Costs for Flowage and Levee Easements

14 *[Note to Reviewers: Estimated costs for flowage and levee easements are preliminary and*
15 *subject to revision. A preliminary low and high cost estimate are presented, which differ in their*
16 *assumptions of the amount of acreage in the bypass that would require new easements or*
17 *modification to existing easements. The low cost estimate assumes new flowage easements would*
18 *be required for 21,500 acres within the eastern part of the bypass. The high cost estimate*
19 *assumes western tributary flows would cause land within the central and western part of the*
20 *bypass to also be affected. The high cost estimate assumes new flowage easements would be*
21 *required for up to 48,000 acres.]*

22 Flowage easement costs were assumed to be a function of incremental changes in flood
23 frequency and duration. Bypass acreage was categorized as minimally, moderately, or
24 significantly impacted by incremental flows caused by the weir and other modifications to the
25 bypass. Flowage easements on minimally impacted acreage were assumed to cost 12.5 percent of
26 fee value. Flowage easements on moderately impacted acreage were assumed to cost 25 percent
27 of fee value. Flowage easements on significantly impacted acreage were assumed to cost 37.5
28 percent of fee value. Fee value assumptions for Yolo Bypass are shown in Table 8.4.
29 Transaction costs were assumed to be 10 percent of fee value.⁵⁰ A 20 percent contingency was
30 added to the estimate. It was assumed half the easements would be acquired between years 1 and
31 5 and half between years 6 and 10 of the BDCP.

32 **Flowage Easements Low Cost Estimate:** The low cost estimate assumed new flowage
33 easements will be required for 21,500 acres within the eastern part of the bypass.⁵¹ It assumed
34 one-third of this acreage will be minimally impacted, one-third moderately impacted, and one-
35 third significantly impacted. The average easement cost across all land use categories was
36 estimated at \$2,500 per acre, including transaction and contingency costs.⁵² The total cost for
37 flowage easements on impacted acreage is \$53.8 million.

⁵⁰ This is based on taking an average of transaction costs calculated for land acquisition for tidal marsh and floodplain habitat described in sections 8.3.10 and 8.3.13.

⁵¹ This is based on the estimated extent of flooded acreage given a flow of 6000 cfs over Fremont Weir, per Table 2 of *Technical Study #2: Evaluation of North Delta Migration Corridors: Yolo Bypass*, Updated April 2009.

⁵² The acreage-weighted average fee value across all land use categories is \$10,157 per acre, including transaction and contingency costs.

1 **Flowage Easements High Cost Estimate:** The high cost estimate assumed western tributary
 2 flows will cause land within the central and western part of the bypass to be affected. The high
 3 cost estimate assumed new flowage easements will be required for up to 48,000 acres.⁵³ It
 4 assumed 42.5 percent of this acreage will be minimally impacted, 42.5 percent moderately
 5 impacted, and 15 percent significantly impacted.⁵⁴ The average easement cost across all land use
 6 categories was estimated at \$2,200 per acre, including transaction and contingency costs. The
 7 total cost for flowage easements on impacted acreage is \$105.6 million.

8 **Levee Easement Cost Estimate:** The cost estimate includes a lump sum allowance of \$5 million
 9 for levee easements that may be required to offset land encroachments for levee widening and
 10 other levee modifications to address potential scour and underseepage issues.

11 Low and high cost estimates for CM 14 over the term of the BDCP are summarized in Table
 12 8.32.⁵⁵

Table 8.32 Estimated Costs for Fremont Weir/Yolo Bypass Improvements (mil. \$)

<i>Low Cost</i>	<i>Cost Per Period</i>										<i>Total Cost</i>
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
Items 1-3	0.0	293.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	293.0
Items 4-6	0.0	10.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.7
Items 7-9	22.1	48.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	70.3
Flowage Easements	26.9	26.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	53.8
Levee Easements	2.5	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0
Total	51.4	381.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	432.7
Running Total	51.4	432.7	432.7	432.7	432.7	432.7	432.7	432.7	432.7	432.7	432.7
<i>High Cost</i>	<i>Cost Per Period</i>										<i>Total Cost</i>
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
Items 1-3	0.0	293.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	293.0
Items 4-6	0.0	10.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.7
Items 7-9	22.1	48.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	70.3
Flowage Easements	52.8	52.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	105.6
Levee Easements	2.5	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.0
Total	77.4	407.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	484.6
Running Total	77.4	484.6	484.6	484.6	484.6	484.6	484.6	484.6	484.6	484.6	484.6

13 *[Note to Reviewers: Costs for fencing and gates not yet estimated for CMs 15-18.]*

⁵³ The estimated extent of flooded acreage under very high Fremont Weir flows, per Table 3 of *Technical Study #2: Evaluation of North Delta Migration Corridors: Yolo Bypass*, Updated April 2009, is used as a proxy of the amount of potentially impacted acreage.

⁵⁴ Percentages were calculated by assuming the same distribution of impacted acreage within the eastern part of the bypass as the low cost estimate, and that half the additional 26,500 acres impacted within the central and western parts of the bypass would be minimally impacted, and half would be moderately impacted.

⁵⁵ Monitoring costs for Fremont Weir/Yolo Bypass improvements are included in the Monitoring and Research Program cost estimate.

1 **8.3.15 CM 15: Restore Non-Tidal Freshwater Marsh**

2 This conservation measure provides for the restoration of 400 acres of nontidal freshwater marsh
3 within Conservation Zones 2 and 4 (Figure 3.1). Restored habitat will be distributed in patches of
4 at least 25 acres and associated with occupied giant garter snake habitat within the proposed
5 1,000-acre giant garter snake preserves designed to enhance the Caldoni Marsh/White Slough
6 and the Yolo Basin/Willow Slough giant garter snake populations. Costs were estimated for land
7 acquisition, habitat creation, and a backup water supply.

8 It was assumed 200 acres of agricultural land within Conservation Zone 4 would be acquired by
9 year 5 of the Plan and an additional 200 acres of agricultural land within Conservation Zone 2
10 would be acquired by year 10 of the Plan. Land costs in Conservation Zone 2 were based on the
11 2009 average value of crop land for south Sutter, western Placer, Solano, and Yolo counties, as
12 reported by the California Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers.⁵⁶ Land costs in
13 Conservation Zone 4 were based on the 2009 average value of crop land for the Lodi region of
14 San Joaquin County, as reported by the California Society of Farm Managers and Rural
15 Appraisers.⁵⁷ Because acquired lands will be dedicated solely to the creation of nontidal
16 freshwater marsh, land acquisition costs were based on fee-title rather than easement land
17 acquisition. Transaction costs equal to 10% of the fee-title cost and a 20% contingency were
18 also assumed.

19 Nontidal freshwater marsh habitat construction costs were based on costs for comparable
20 restoration projects occurring in and around the Delta.⁵⁸ Construction of nontidal freshwater
21 marsh habitat, including permitting, project management, monitoring, grading, seeding, and
22 other planting was estimated to cost between \$4,500 and \$8,000 per acre. The average cost per
23 acre is based on two-thirds of the acreage being aquatic habitat and one-third being upland
24 habitat. Two wells for backup water supply were also assumed. Each well was assumed to cost
25 between \$125,000 and \$150,000. A 20% contingency was applied to all construction cost
26 estimates.

27 Low and high estimated costs for CM 15 over the term of the BDCP are summarized in Table
28 8.33.

⁵⁶ California Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers (CSFMRA), "2009 California Trends in Agricultural Land and Lease Values."
South Sutter, western Placer, Solano, and Yolo counties comprise Region 1 in the 2009 CSFMRA report.

⁵⁷ Ibid.

⁵⁸ Matt Gause, Resource Ecologist, Westervelt Ecological Services. Pers. Comm., June 28, 2010.

Table 8.33 Estimated Costs to Restore Non-Tidal Freshwater Marsh (mil. \$)

<i>Low Cost Estimate</i>	<i>Cost Period</i>										<i>Total Cost</i>
	<i>1-5</i>	<i>6-10</i>	<i>11-15</i>	<i>16-20</i>	<i>21-25</i>	<i>26-30</i>	<i>31-35</i>	<i>36-40</i>	<i>41-45</i>	<i>46-50</i>	
Land Acquisition	3.43	1.81	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.24
Planning & Construction	1.23	1.23	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.46
Total	4.66	3.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.70
Running Total	4.66	7.70	7.70	7.70	7.70	7.70	7.70	7.70	7.70	7.70	7.70
<i>High Cost Estimate</i>	<i>Cost Period</i>										<i>Total Cost</i>
	<i>1-5</i>	<i>6-10</i>	<i>11-15</i>	<i>16-20</i>	<i>21-25</i>	<i>26-30</i>	<i>31-35</i>	<i>36-40</i>	<i>41-45</i>	<i>46-50</i>	
Land Acquisition	3.43	1.81	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.24
Planning & Construction	2.10	2.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.20
Total	5.53	3.91	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9.44
Running Total	5.53	9.44	9.44	9.44	9.44	9.44	9.44	9.44	9.44	9.44	9.44

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2 **8.3.16 CM 16: Restore Vernal Pool Complex Terrain**

3 This conservation measure provides for the restoration of 200 acres of vernal pool complex
4 habitat within Conservation Zones 1, 8, and/or 11 (Figure 3.5). Costs were estimated for land
5 acquisition, habitat creation, and on-going weed management during the establishment period for
6 the vernal pool complex terrain.

7 Land acquisition costs were based on the land assembly schedule shown in Table 8.34. Land
8 costs were based on the 2009 average value of rangeland for south Sutter, western Placer,
9 Solano, and Yolo counties, as reported by the California Society of Farm Managers and Rural
10 Appraisers.⁵⁹ Because acquired lands will be dedicated solely to the creation of vernal pool
11 complex terrain, land assembly costs were based on fee-title rather than easement land
12 acquisition. Transaction costs equal to 10% of the fee-title cost and a 20% contingency were
13 also assumed.

14 Vernal pool habitat construction costs were based on costs for comparable restoration projects
15 occurring in and around the Delta.⁶⁰ Construction of vernal pool terrain, including permitting,
16 project management, monitoring, grading, seeding, and other planting was estimated to cost
17 between \$25,000 and \$40,000 per acre of pool built. Fifteen percent of the acreage was assumed
18 to be constructed vernal pools. The remaining 85% was assumed to be surrounding grassland
19 habitat. Grassland restoration was assumed to cost \$400 per acre for grading, disking, and
20 seeding. Seed costs were estimated between \$600 and \$1,000 per acre.⁶¹ A 20% contingency was
21 applied to all construction cost estimates.

22 Weed management is expected to be required for several years following seeding. Costs will
23 depend on whether chemical herbicides can be applied. With chemical herbicides, it was
24 assumed 10% of the acreage would require weed management every other year for the first six

⁵⁹ Ibid.

⁶⁰ Matt Gause, Resource Ecologist, Westervelt Ecological Services. Pers. Comm., June 28, 2010.

⁶¹ Ibid.

1 years, at an average cost of \$150 per acre.⁶² In the absence of chemical herbicides, it was
 2 assumed 20% of the acreage would require weed management every year for the first five years,
 3 at an average cost of \$500 per acre.⁶³

4 Low and high estimated costs for CM 16 over the term of the BDCP are summarized in Table
 5 8.35.

Table 8.34 Land Acquisition Schedule for Vernal Pool Complex Terrain (mil. \$)

Land Assembly by CZ	Acres Acquired by Period										Total Acreage
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
1	40		22								62
8	27			22							49
11	20	29	20	20							89
Total	87	29	42	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	200
Running Total	87	116	158	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200

Table 8.35 Estimated Costs to Restore Vernal Pool Complex Terrain Restoration (mil. \$)

Low Cost Estimate	Cost Period										Total Cost
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
Land Acquisition	0.35	0.12	0.17	0.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.81
Construction	0.48	0.16	0.23	0.23	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.10
Weed Control	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Total	0.84	0.28	0.40	0.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.93
Running Total	0.84	1.12	1.52	1.93	1.93	1.93	1.93	1.93	1.93	1.93	1.93

High Cost Estimate	Cost Period										Total Cost
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
Land Acquisition	0.35	0.12	0.17	0.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.81
Construction	0.75	0.25	0.36	0.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.73
Weed Control	0.05	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.12
Total	1.16	0.39	0.56	0.56	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.66
Running Total	1.16	1.54	2.10	2.66	2.66	2.66	2.66	2.66	2.66	2.66	2.66

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7 8.3.17 CM 17: Restore Grassland Communities

8 This conservation measure provides for the restoration of 2,000 acres of grassland habitat within
 9 Conservation Zones 1, 8, and/or 11 (Figure 3.5). Costs were estimated for land acquisition,
 10 habitat creation, and on-going weed management during the establishment period.

⁶² Ibid.

⁶³ Ibid.

1 Land acquisition costs were based on the land assembly schedule shown in Table 8.36. Land
 2 costs were based on the 2009 average value of rangeland for south Sutter, western Placer,
 3 Solano, and Yolo counties, as reported by the California Society of Farm Managers and Rural
 4 Appraisers.⁶⁴ Because acquired lands will be dedicated solely to the creation and protection of
 5 grassland habitat, land assembly costs are based on fee-title rather than easement land
 6 acquisition. Transaction costs equal to 10% of the fee-title cost and a 20% contingency were
 7 also assumed.

8 Grassland habitat construction costs were based on costs for comparable restoration projects
 9 occurring in and around the Delta.⁶⁵ Grassland restoration was assumed to cost \$400 per acre
 10 for grading, disking, and seeding. Seed costs were estimated between \$600 and \$1,000 per acre.

11 Weed management is expected to be required for four years following seeding. Costs for weed
 12 management were estimated to range between \$200 and \$400 per acre.⁶⁶

13 Low and high estimated costs for CM 16 over the term of the BDCP are summarized in Table
 14 8.35.

Table 8.36 Land Acquisition Schedule for Grassland Habitat

<i>Land Assembly by CZ</i>	<i>Acres Acquired by Period</i>										<i>Total Acreage</i>
	<i>1-5</i>	<i>6-10</i>	<i>11-15</i>	<i>16-20</i>	<i>21-25</i>	<i>26-30</i>	<i>31-35</i>	<i>36-40</i>	<i>41-45</i>	<i>46-50</i>	
1	250	250	125	125	125	125					1,000
8		250									250
11	250		125	125	125	125					750
Total	500	500	250	250	250	250					2,000
Running Total	500	1,000	1,250	1,500	1,750	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000

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⁶⁴ California Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers (CSFMRA), "2009 California Trends in Agricultural Land and Lease Values."
 South Sutter, western Placer, Solano, and Yolo counties comprise Region 1 in the 2009 CSFMRA report.

⁶⁵ Matt Gause, Resource Ecologist, Westervelt Ecological Services. Pers. Comm., June 28, 2010.

⁶⁶ Herbicide choice and type of weeds can greatly affect price. If the sites can be pre-treated for weeds prior to planting using a combination of
 cultural and chemical control methods the costs for future weed control may be reduced by half.

Table 8.37 Estimated Costs to Restore Grassland Habitat Restoration (mil. \$)

<i>Low Cost Estimate</i>	<i>Cost per Period</i>										<i>Total Cost</i>
	<i>1-5</i>	<i>6-10</i>	<i>11-15</i>	<i>16-20</i>	<i>21-25</i>	<i>26-30</i>	<i>31-35</i>	<i>36-40</i>	<i>41-45</i>	<i>46-50</i>	
Land Assembly	2.03	2.03	1.01	1.01	1.01	1.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.12
Construction	0.60	0.60	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.40
Weed Control	0.48	0.48	0.24	0.24	0.24	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.92
Total	3.11	3.11	1.55	1.55	1.55	1.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12.44
Running Total	3.11	6.22	7.77	9.33	10.88	12.44	12.44	12.44	12.44	12.44	12.44
<i>High Cost Estimate</i>	<i>Cost per Period</i>										<i>Total Cost</i>
	<i>1-5</i>	<i>6-10</i>	<i>11-15</i>	<i>16-20</i>	<i>21-25</i>	<i>26-30</i>	<i>31-35</i>	<i>36-40</i>	<i>41-45</i>	<i>46-50</i>	
Land Assembly	2.03	2.03	1.01	1.01	1.01	1.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.12
Construction	0.84	0.84	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.36
Weed Control	0.96	0.96	0.48	0.48	0.48	0.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.84
Total	3.83	3.83	1.91	1.91	1.91	1.91	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15.32
Running Total	3.83	7.66	9.57	11.49	13.40	15.32	15.32	15.32	15.32	15.32	15.32

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2 **8.3.18 CM 18: Preserve Natural Communities**

3 This conservation measure provides for the establishment of a preserve system to protect and
4 enhance areas of existing natural communities and covered species habitat, protect and maintain
5 occurrences of selected plant species with very limited distributions, provide sites suitable for
6 restoration of natural communities and covered species habitat, and provide habitat connectivity
7 among the various BDCP conservation land units in the preserve system. Estimated costs are
8 based on a preserve system including 300 acres of vernal pool complex terrain, 400 acres of
9 seasonal alkali wetland complex, 8,000 acres of grassland habitat, and 32,640 acres of protected
10 agricultural land.⁶⁷ Costs were estimated for land acquisition, habitat creation, and on-going
11 weed management during the establishment period.

12 Land acquisition costs were based on the land acquisition schedule shown in Table 8.38.
13 Acreage-weighted average land values were calculated using the common assumptions land
14 values in Table 8.5. Land acquired for vernal pool complexes, seasonal wetland complexes, and
15 grassland habitat will be dedicated to these purposes and therefore were assumed to be acquired
16 by fee-title rather than easement. Much of the farm land in the preserve will remain in
17 agricultural production. The cost analysis assumed 70% of this acreage will be acquired through
18 easement and 30% through fee-title. Average easement costs were assumed to be 60% of fee-
19 title costs, per the common assumptions. Transaction costs equal to 10% of the fee-title cost and
20 a 20% contingency were also assumed.

⁶⁷ The preserve system will also include 400 acres of non-tidal freshwater marsh. The costs for acquiring the land and constructing the non-tidal freshwater marsh habitat are counted under CM 15.

Table 8.38 Land Acquisition Schedule for CM 18 Preserve System

<i>Vernal Pool Complex Terrain</i>											
Conservation Zone	Acres Acquired by Period										Total Acreage
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
1	44	23	31	16							114
8	43		31	17							91
11	44	20	31								95
Total	131	43	93	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	300
Running Total	131	174	267	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300
<i>Alkali Seasonal Wetland Complex</i>											
Conservation Zone	Acres Acquired by Period										Total Acreage
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
1	10		89	50							149
8	5	8	89								102
11	10		89	50							149
Total	25	8	267	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	400
Running Total	25	33	300	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400
<i>Grassland</i>											
Conservation Zone	Acres Acquired by Period										Total Acreage
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
1	500		443	500	750	744	900	1,000			4,837
8	1,000		307								1,307
11	500		250	500	250	256	100				1,856
Total	2,000	0	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0	8,000
Running Total	2,000	2,000	3,000	4,000	5,000	6,000	7,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
<i>Agricultural Lands (70% easement, 30% fee-title)</i>											
Conservation Zone	Acres Acquired by Period										Total Acreage
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
1	473	481	308	308	309	309	309	308			2,805
2	1,720	1,752	1,123	1,123	1,123	1,123	1,123	1,123			10,210
4	1,654	1,684	1,079	1,079	1,079	1,080	1,080	1,080			9,815
7	1,653	1,683	1,079	1,079	1,079	1,079	1,079	1,079			9,810
Total	5,500	5,600	3,589	3,589	3,590	3,591	3,591	3,590	0	0	32,640
Running Total	5,500	11,100	14,689	18,278	21,868	25,459	29,050	32,640	32,640	32,640	32,640

1 The same assumptions used to estimate costs of habitat construction and weed management for
 2 vernal pool complex terrain and grassland habitat for CMs 16 and 17 were used for CM 18. No
 3 construction costs were assumed for existing alkali seasonal wetlands and protected agricultural
 4 lands brought into the preserve system under CM 18.

5 Low and high estimated costs for CM 18 over the term of the BDCP are summarized in Table
 6 8.39.

Table 8.39 Estimated Costs to Establish CM 18 Land Preserve System (mil. \$)

Low Cost Estimate	Cost per Period										Total Cost
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
Land Assembly	62.97	52.70	40.41	39.27	38.83	38.84	38.89	38.92	0.00	0.00	350.84
Construction	0.72	0.24	0.51	0.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.66
Weed Control	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02
Total	63.70	52.94	40.93	39.46	38.83	38.84	38.89	38.92	0.00	0.00	352.51
Running Total	63.70	116.64	157.58	197.03	235.86	274.70	313.59	352.51	352.51	352.51	352.51
High Cost Estimate	Cost per Period										Total Cost
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	
Land Assembly	62.97	52.70	40.41	39.27	38.83	38.84	38.89	38.92	0.00	0.00	350.84
Construction	1.13	0.37	0.80	0.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.59
Weed Control	0.08	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.18
Total	64.18	53.10	41.27	39.58	38.83	38.84	38.89	38.92	0.00	0.00	353.61
Running Total	64.18	117.28	158.55	198.13	236.95	275.79	314.69	353.61	353.61	353.61	353.61

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8 8.3.19 CM 19: Enhance and Manage Preserved Habitats

9 *[Note to Reviewers: This cost estimate for managing preserves may be revised based on*
 10 *additional sources of habitat management costs. FWS refuge management costs will continue to*
 11 *provide the basis for the estimated cost of managing tidal wetlands. Management costs for*
 12 *terrestrial habitats and non-tidal wetland habitats may be revised and based on management*
 13 *costs of nearby terrestrial HCPs (e.g., San Joaquin County, East Contra Costa County).]*

14 This conservation measure provides for the development and implementation of management
 15 plans for all conservation lands. This management will provide for the maintenance of the
 16 habitat functions of protected existing habitat and restored habitats described in CMs 10, 11, 12,
 17 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19. Habitat management costs for BDCP conservation lands were based
 18 on operating budgets for western U.S. National Wildlife Refuges (NWR) managed by USFWS
 19 (USFWS, 2007). Data on operating budgets and acreage under management were used to
 20 estimate unit costs for habitat management. Estimation details are provided in Appendix **XX**.

1 Total acreage under management, average unit management cost, and total management costs
 2 over the term of the BDCP are shown in Table 8.40. Habitat acreage was assumed to come
 3 under management in the period following the one in which existing habitat was acquired or new
 4 habitat restored. Tidal marsh, floodplain, and terrestrial/non-tidal wetlands acreage were treated
 5 as separate management units and separate unit cost assumptions were applied to these acreages.
 6 Unit costs shown in the table are averages across all habitat types.

Table 8.40 Total Estimated Costs for Habitat Reserves Management and Maintenance

<i>Cost for Marsh Habitat Management Per Costing Period (mil. \$)</i>										
Plan Period	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50
<i>Habitat Acres Under Management</i>										
Tidal Marsh	0	7,000	14,000	24,999	32,999	40,999	48,999	56,999	65,000	65,000
Floodplain	0	0	348	1,160	3,248	5,336	7,424	9,512	11,600	11,600
Terrestrial	0	8,443	14,823	20,064	25,078	29,918	34,759	39,350	43,940	43,940
Total	0	15,443	29,171	46,223	61,325	76,253	91,182	105,861	120,540	120,540
<i>Average Cost Per Acre Under Management</i>										
Avg Unit Cost/Acre/Yr	\$0	\$111	\$83	\$58	\$48	\$40	\$35	\$31	\$28	\$28
<i>Total Cost (Mil. \$)</i>										
Cost Per Year	\$0	\$111	\$83	\$58	\$48	\$40	\$35	\$31	\$28	\$28
Cost Per Period	\$0	\$111	\$83	\$58	\$48	\$40	\$35	\$31	\$28	\$28
Running Total	\$0	\$111	\$83	\$58	\$48	\$40	\$35	\$31	\$28	\$28

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8 **8.4 Plan Administration Cost Estimate**

9 The costs associated with the administration of the BDCP reflect all of the expenditures that will
 10 be reasonably necessary for the BDCP Management Entity to effectively oversee the
 11 implementation of the BDCP throughout the term of the Plan. Program administration costs
 12 include expenditures related to employees, facilities, equipment, vehicles, and associated
 13 overhead necessary to support the BDCP Management Entity. Associated overhead costs
 14 include employee benefits, insurance, legal and financial assistance, and travel. For the purpose
 15 of the cost analysis, the BDCP Management Entity is assumed to be an independent entity
 16 located in Sacramento, California. This assumption provides a conservative basis from which to
 17 estimate program administration costs. Administrative costs that may be incurred by entities
 18 other than the BDCP Management Entity (e.g., supporting entities – see Chapter 7,
 19 *Implementation Structure*) are not included in the program administration cost estimate.

20 Staff and Related Costs

21 The staffing plan used to estimate labor costs for program administration is shown in Table 8.38.
 22 Salary assumptions for staffed positions are listed in Table 8.39. Estimated costs for employee
 23 salaries and benefits were based on the common assumptions listed in section 8.2. Annual
 24 allowances for travel and training were also calculated (see Appendix XX for details).

1 Allocation of staff and related costs to support different administrative functions is shown for
2 each staff position in Table 8.41.

3 *[Note to Reviewers: Staffing estimates are likely to be revised as the governance plan continues*
4 *to be refined.]*

Table 8.41 Staffed Positions and Number of Employees for BDCP Program Administration

Staffing Levels Position	Avg Annual FTEs Per Cost Period									
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50
Program Manager	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Deputy Program Manager	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Program Counsel	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Habitat Restoration Program Manager	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Other Stressors Program Manager	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Monitoring/Research Program Manager	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
IT/Database/GIS Management	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
GIS Specialist	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Budget Analyst	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Land Acquisition Specialist	2	3	3	3	2	2	1	1	1	1
Contracts Officer	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Regulatory Specialist	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Public Outreach Program Manager	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Admin - Secretary	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Clerks	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Civil Engineer	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Staff Scientist	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Water Operations Specialist	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Habitat Restoration Project Manager	1	2	3	3	3	3	2	2	1	1
Other Stressors Project Manager	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Terrestrial Preserve Manager	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Technical Specialist	5	10	10	10	10	10	8	6	5	4
Laborer	2	4	4	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Total FTE Positions	35	45	47	49	47	47	43	41	39	38

Table 8.42. Staff Salary Assumptions for BDCP Implementing Entity

Position	Annual FTE Salary*	Resources Agency Reference Position	Percent of Cost Allocated to Function			
			Program Admin.	Habitat Restor.	Reserve Mgt.	Monitoring Research
Program Manager	\$115,000	C.E.A. III, DFG, Resources Management & Policy Division	100%	0%	0%	0%
Deputy Program Manager	\$106,000	C.E.A. II, DFG, Bay Delta Region	100%	0%	0%	0%
Program Counsel	\$113,000	Staff Counsel III-Supervisor, DFG	100%	0%	0%	0%
Habitat Restoration Program Manager	\$86,000	Environmental Program Manager I – Supervisory, Habitat Conservation Branch, DFG	15%	75%	10%	0%
Other Stressors Program Manager	\$86,000	Environmental Program Manager I – Supervisory, Habitat Conservation Branch, DFG	15%	20%	40%	25%
Monitoring/ Research Program Manager	\$86,000	Environmental Program Manager I – Supervisory, Habitat Conservation Branch, DFG	15%	0%	0%	85%
IT/Database/GIS Management	\$76,000	Research Manager II - Geographic Information Systems, DFG	100%	0%	0%	0%
GIS Specialist	\$65,000	Supervising Biologist, Water Branch, DFG	100%	0%	0%	0%
Budget Analyst	\$60,000	Associate Budget Analyst, Administration Division, DFG	100%	0%	0%	0%
Land Acquisition Specialist	\$77,000	Sr Land Agent– Specialist, DFG	100%	0%	0%	0%
Contracts Officer	\$71,000	Staff Services Manager I, DFG	100%	0%	0%	0%
Regulatory Specialist	\$59,000	Associate Governmental Program Analyst, DFG	100%	0%	0%	0%
Public Outreach Program Manager	\$61,000	Information Officer I – Specialist, DFG	100%	0%	0%	0%
Admin – Secretary	\$40,000	Executive Assistant, Resources Management & Policy Division, DFG	50%	0%	50%	0%
Clerks	\$33,000	Account Clerk II, DFG	100%	0%	0%	0%
Civil Engineer	\$82,000	Associate Civil Engineer, DFG	15%	70%	15%	0%
Staff Scientist	\$71,000	Staff Env Scientist, Habitat Conservation Branch, DFG	15%	20%	15%	50%
Water Operations Specialist	\$77,000	Operations Research Spec III, DWR Bay Delta Office	100%	0%	0%	0%
Habitat Restoration Project Manager	\$71,000	Staff Env Scientist, Habitat Conservation Branch, DFG	15%	70%	0%	15%
Other Stressors Project Manager	\$71,000	Staff Env Scientist, Habitat Conservation Branch, DFG	15%	70%	0%	15%
Terrestrial Preserve Manager	\$71,000	Staff Env Scientist, Habitat Conservation Branch, DFG	15%	0%	85%	0%

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Table 8.42 Staff Salary Assumptions for BDCP Implementing Entity (continued)

Position	Annual FTE Salary*	Resources Agency Reference Position	Percent of Cost Allocated to Function			
			Program Admin.	Habitat Restor.	Reserve Mgt.	Monitoring Research
Technical Specialist	\$46,000	Fish Habitat Specialist, Bay Delta Region, DFG	25%	25%	25%	25%
Laborer	\$42,000	Laborer - Tractor Operator, Bay Delta Region, Region 3, DFG	0%	25%	50%	25%

Notes:
 * Salary estimates based on proposed salaries for 2008-09 for corresponding positions within the Resources Agency, as reported by the California Department of Finance (www.dof.ca.gov/budget/historical/2008-09/salaries_and_wages/index.htm). A benefits multiplier of 1.35 is applied to salary amounts shown in the table to account for paid leave, health, retirement and other benefits is not reflected in the salary amounts shown in the table.

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2 **Office Space and Related Costs**

3 Office space and related costs include the office rental costs, utilities, general office equipment,
 4 employee-assigned office equipment, GIS hardware and software, and public outreach materials.
 5 Cost assumptions for each of these items are as follows:

6 **Office Space and Utilities:** An office space requirement of 250 square feet per FTE employee
 7 was assumed. Field labors and other out-of-office employees were excluded from the
 8 determination of office space requirement. Unfurnished office space was assumed to cost
 9 \$2.50/sf/month, including utilities.⁶⁸

10 **General Office Equipment:** General office equipment includes copy machines, telephone
 11 systems, printers, fax machines, and specialized equipment such as digital cameras, trunked radio
 12 systems, and publications and subscriptions. It also includes common area office furniture.
 13 Annual costs were estimated by amortizing the purchase cost of each type of equipment or
 14 furniture over its useful life.⁶⁹ Some items were assumed to include annual service contract costs
 15 (see Appendix **XX** for details).

16 **Employee-Assigned Office Equipment:** Employee-assigned office equipment includes cubicle
 17 office furniture, computers, cell phones, and office supplies. Annual costs were estimated by
 18 multiplying the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) staff positions by the amortized cost of
 19 equipment. Some items were assumed to include annual service contract costs. See Appendix
 20 **XX** for specific employee-assigned equipment cost assumptions.

21 **GIS Hardware and Software:** This category includes a dedicated geographic information
 22 system (GIS)/database server, tablet personal computer, plotter, GPS unit, GIS software, and
 23 related computer software. Annual costs are based on the estimated purchase cost for each item
 24 amortized over its useful life. Some items were assumed to include annual service contract
 25 costs. See Appendix **XX** for specific GIS equipment cost assumptions.

⁶⁸ The rental rate assumption is approximately 125 percent of current office rental rates if downtown Sacramento. The 25 percent premium is added to account for the currently depressed commercial real estate market in Sacramento.

⁶⁹ This is equivalent to assuming general office equipment and furniture is leased by the Management Entity.

1 **Public Outreach Costs:** This category includes an annual allowance for printed material, public
 2 meetings and focus groups, including costs for design, layout, printing, postage, web services,
 3 and facilities rental. Annual public outreach costs were assumed to vary over the term of the
 4 BDCP. See Appendix **XX** for specific public outreach cost assumptions.

5 Vehicle and Related Costs

6 Vehicle costs include the costs for owned and rented vehicles and as well as allowances for fuel,
 7 maintenance, and insurance. Vehicle costs were allocated to different Management Entity
 8 functions according to the percentages in Table 8.40. Owned vehicle annual costs were based on
 9 the vehicle's estimated purchase cost amortized over its useful life plus an annual allowance for
 10 fuel, maintenance, and insurance. Annual costs for rented vehicles were based on a daily rental
 11 rate multiplied by the number of rental days per year per 1,000 acres of habitat under
 12 management. See Appendix **XX** for the specific vehicle quantity and cost assumptions.

Table 8.43. Vehicle Types and Cost Allocation Percentages

Management Entity Vehicles	Percent of Cost Allocated to Function			
	Program Admin.	Habitat Restor.	Reserve Mgt.	Monitoring Research
<i>Owned Vehicles</i>				
Passenger Cars	50%	0%	25%	25%
4WD Trucks	0%	33%	33%	33%
Boats	0%	33%	33%	33%
ATVs & Trailers	0%	33%	33%	33%
<i>Rented Vehicles</i>				
Large Tractor	0%	0%	75%	25%
Small Tractor	0%	0%	75%	25%
Dump Truck	0%	0%	75%	25%
Fire Truck	0%	0%	100%	0%

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14 Legal, Accounting, and Insurance Costs

15 *[Note to Reviewers: Insurance requirements for the management entity are under review.*
 16 *Estimates below will be updated once this review is completed.]*

17 Insurance requirements for the BDCP Management Entity were assumed to include directors and
 18 officers insurance, general liability insurance, and professional liability insurance. Liability
 19 insurance was assumed to total \$20,000 per year, or \$100,000 every five years.⁷⁰ The
 20 Management Entity was assumed to require outside legal and accounting assistance throughout
 21 the term of the BDCP. Annual legal assistance costs were calculated by multiplying an hourly
 22 rate by required hours of assistance. Required legal assistance was assumed to vary over the
 23 term of the BDCP. Accounting assistance costs were based on a lump sum allowance for
 24 auditing and other financial services. See Appendix **XX** for specific legal and accounting
 25 assistance cost assumptions.

⁷⁰ Vehicle and employee health/disability/workers compensation insurance costs are calculated separately from liability insurance costs. Vehicle insurance costs are included in the vehicle cost estimate, while employee insurance costs are captured by the benefits multiplier applied to wage and salary costs.

1 Total Estimated Costs for Program Administration

2 Estimated Management Entity costs over the term of the BDCP are summarized in Table 8.41.

Table 8.44. Estimated Management Entity Costs Over 50-Year Term of BDCP

<i>BDCP Implementing Entity Costs (mil.\$)</i>	<i>Cost Period</i>										
	1-5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	Total
Staff Costs*	\$15.7	\$19.3	\$20.3	\$20.9	\$19.9	\$19.9	\$18.2	\$17.6	\$16.8	\$16.5	\$185.0
Office Costs**	\$2.9	\$3.3	\$2.9	\$2.7	\$2.6	\$2.4	\$2.2	\$2.0	\$1.9	\$1.9	\$24.8
Vehicles***	\$0.5	\$0.9	\$1.0	\$1.1	\$1.3	\$1.4	\$1.4	\$1.4	\$1.4	\$1.3	\$11.5
Outside Services****	\$1.9	\$1.9	\$1.9	\$1.0	\$1.0	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$10.5
Liability Insurance	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$0.1	\$1.0
Total Costs	\$21.1	\$25.5	\$26.2	\$25.9	\$24.9	\$24.2	\$22.4	\$21.6	\$20.7	\$20.3	\$232.8
Running Total	\$21.1	\$46.6	\$72.7	\$98.6	\$123.5	\$147.7	\$170.1	\$191.8	\$212.5	\$232.8	\$232.8
*Includes employee benefits and incidentals.											
**Includes costs for office space, general office equip., employee-assigned office equip., specialized office equip., and public outreach expenditures.											
***Includes costs for owned and rented vehicles.											
****Includes cost for outside accounting and legal services.											

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4 **8.5 Avoidance and Minimization Measures Cost Estimate**5 *[Note to Reviewers: A cost estimate for this part of the BDCP is still being developed.]*6 **8.6 Monitoring and Research Program Cost Estimate**7 *[Note to Reviewers: A cost estimate for this part of the BDCP is still being developed.]*8 **8.7 Adaptive Management Program Cost Estimate**9 *[Note to Reviewers: A cost estimate for this part of the BDCP is still being developed.]*10 **8.8 Program Cost Summaries and Tables**11 *[Note to Reviewers: Summary tables are not included in this draft.]*12 **8.9 Funding Sources and Assurances**

13 *[Note to Reviewers: Funding Sources and Assurances are not included with this draft. This*
 14 *section will be completed following completion of the cost analysis and the development of the*
 15 *funding plan. It should be emphasized that the PREs have not committed to pay for any BDCP*
 16 *costs beyond the conveyance component, and substantial public and other sources of funding are*
 17 *expected to contribute to the cost of implementing the elements of the Plan.]*

1 8.10 Net BDCP Costs

2 *[Note to Reviewers: This section will compare total to net costs of BDCP implementation. Total*
3 *costs are the sum of costs for all plan components expected to be incurred over the 50-year*
4 *planning period. Net costs recognize that some of these costs might be incurred even if the Plan*
5 *were not put into operation. This will be the last step in the cost analysis and cannot be*
6 *completed until the analyses of total costs for all conservation measures and related activities*
7 *are completed.]*

8 Technical Appendix for Cost Estimation

9 *[Note to Reviewers: The technical appendix will provide more detailed information on data*
10 *sources, assumptions, and cost models used to estimate expected BDCP costs.]*

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