

# Memorandum

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To: Management Agencies

Project Agencies

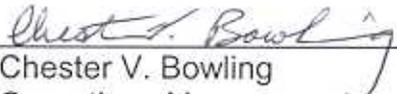
From: Department of Water Resources

Subject: **Release of Environmental Water Account Variable Assets (EWA share of b(2)/ERP Upstream Releases pumped by the SWP) to the State Water Project as Payment for Past Fish Actions**

The purpose of this memorandum is to document the concurrence of the EWA Management Agencies to the release of EWA water to the State Water Project. The Management Agencies concur in the release of 3,108 acre-feet, as described on the attached table, to the State Water Project as payment for fish actions taken pursuant to the CALFED Record of Decision to provide for fish protection above the regulatory baseline requirements at no uncompensated water cost to the Projects.

The Department of Water Resources scheduled delivery of 3,108 acre-feet of water (after accounting for losses during conveyance), beginning March 23, 2002, to the EWA in O'Neill Forebay. This is the October 2001 variable asset obtained as the EWA share of (b)(2)/ERP releases pumped by the SWP and stored by the Department in San Luis Reservoir. The Management Agencies have concurred in the release of this water to the SWP as it is made available in O'Neill Forebay. As a result of this instantaneous release of 3,108 acre-feet, no additional costs for conveyance and storage will be incurred by the EWA. Any operational costs or credits associated with the acquisition, conveyance, storage, and delivery from San Luis Reservoir to O'Neill Forebay will be determined as the water is released and will be applied in a future settlement of all EWA costs and credits.

  
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<b>Environmental Water Account Variable Asset Acquisition</b>			
<b>Variable Acquisition</b>	<b>Date Acquired</b>	<b>Acquired Water (Acre-feet)</b>	<b>Net Acquired Water<sup>1</sup> (Acre-feet)</b>
EWA share of b(2)/ERP Upstream Releases pumped by the SWP	October, 2001	3,308	3,108
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>3,308</b>	<b>3,108</b>

<sup>1</sup> This amount reflects the applicable aqueduct conveyance loss in transporting this water through the SWP project facilities for release to the State Water Project in O'Neill Forebay.