

## Bay-Delta Hub Connecting All Things Water The EBMUD Bay-Delta Nexus

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# Where are We going (Content)?

- A little about EBMUD
- EBMUD's Lifeline
- EBMUD Diversifies
   Water Supplies



 Striking the Balance: Public Trust & Beneficial Use

## A Little Bit About the East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD)



#### S EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

### Nexus Topic #1 Mokelumne Aqueducts



# EBMUD's Lifeline: Mokelumne Aqueducts





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### EBMUD's Lifeline: Mokelumne Aqueducts





# Example of Levee Failure



"At low tide on a calm Delta afternoon, this Lower Jones Tract levee failed, flooding the island up to the railroad embankment separating it from the **Upper Jones** Tract."

(September 26, 1980)

# Levee Failure Contd.



"A month after the Lower Jones Tract Levee failure, a railroad embankment collapsed, dumping a freight train and endangering the Mokelumne Aqueducts."

# Levee Failure Contd.







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#### Mokelumne Aqueducts





# Pursuing Fixes: EBMUD's Aqueduct Levee Security Program

- Began in 1997
- Support Reclamation District's effort to restore and improve the levees
- EBMUD contributed over \$15 million



### Pursuing Fixes: SB2X – 1 (Perata) Bond Fund Appropriations





- Bill allocated funding to reduce the risk of levee failures in the Delta
- Purpose is to protect assets of Statewide importance
- Reinforce levee sections near aqueducts
- Goal is to improve Delta levees to Public Law 84-99, Army Corps. of Engineers Standard

### Pursuing Fixes: Department of Water Resources Recommendations

- Fund Ten Projects
- Total Project Cost = \$41.3 million
- State Cost Share \$35.2 million\*
- Local Cost Share = \$6.1 million\*
- Total Levee Miles Improved = 41 mi
- \* Reclamation District's receive funding

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# Lower Jones Tract



#### LOWER JONES Backslope Middle River



# Lower Jones Tract





# Upper Jones Tract





# Woodward Island



#### WOODWARD Backslope Santa Fe Cut

1.04.2**0**°

# Woodward Island





## Nexus Topic #2: Freeport Regional Water Project

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# Freeport Regional Water Project: Project Background and History

- 1970-EBMUD contract with USBR
- 1997-American River joint project effort
- 1999-SCWA contract
- 2001-EBMUD amendatory contract
- 2001-Memorandum of Understanding
- 2002-Joint Powers Agreement
- 2005-FIER/FEIS Completed



# Freeport Regional Water Authority (FRWA)

Membership:

- Sacramento County Water Agency
- East Bay Municipal Utility District
- City of Sacramento (Associate Member)
- US Bureau of Reclamation (Supporting Agency)



February 14, 2002 JPA Signing

**FRWA Mission**: Guide the financing, ownership, development, construction and operation of the Freeport Project

# Freeport Regional Water Project (FRWP)



**Partners** 

- Freeport Regional Water Authority (FRWA)
- Sacramento County Water Agency (SCWA)
- East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD)
- US Bureau of Reclamation (USBR)



#### Project

- 185 MGD Regional Facility
  - 100 MGD EBMUD
  - 85 MGD SCWA
- 3 Pumping Plants
- 36 miles of transmission pipelines

FRWA INTAKE

Project complete November 2011



### Supplemental Supply Delivery Freeport Regional Water Project



### **Operational Considerations** Sacramento River Reverse Flows



### Challenge:

Sacramento River reverse flows trigger Freeport pumps to shutdown due to downstream wastewater discharges





# **Reverse Flow Operation**



# Reliability Challenge



**Reliability Challenge** 



100% North of Delta CVP M&I Percent Allocation 90% 80% 70% 60% 50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% 2015 1979 1983 1985 1987 1989 1993 1995 1999 2003 2005 2009 2013 1981 1991 1997 2001 2007 1977 2011

Source: CVO, water\_allocations\_historical.pdf, www.usbr.gov/mp/cvo.index.html

Maximum Minimum

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### Nexus Topic # 3: Public Trust Resources: The Balancing Act



# Geographic Scope





Source: google maps







### EBMUD's Mokelumne River Fish Restoration Program



- Integrated approach to ecosystem management
- Codified in 1998 Joint Settlement Agreement
- 10-fold increase in dry-year flows from early 1990s
- A portion of newly acquired supplies provided to further increase Mokelumne flows
- Formal collaboration with resource agencies and stakeholders to optimize river management
- \$2 million Endowment for habitat improvements
- \$12.5 million in improvements to upgrade hatchery

# Water Release Prevs. Post JSA







Horizontal lines indicate pre-Camanche, post-Camanche, and post-JSA periods, respectively.

1. "Pre-Camanche" escapement (3,374) is the average estimate at Woodbridge Dam for the period from 1940 through 1963 (excluding years when no data were recorded: 1943, 1944, 1946, 1947, and 1950).

2. "Post-Camanche" escapement (3,636) is the average estimate at Woodbridge Dam for the period 1964 through 1997.

3. "Post-JSA" escapement (8,564) is the average estimate at Woodbridge Dam since implementation of the JSA in 1998.

# **Escapement Monitoring**









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# Escapement Monitoring



EBMUD and WID continued to coordinate operations to facilitate fish passage and conduct video monitoring

Fourth consecutive year that Lodi Lake remained full throughout the Chinook salmon run

Management actions:

- Adaptive management of CAM Reservoir allowed for fall pulse flows which provided AD CS attraction flows
- WID coordinated releases and augmented pulse flows
- DCC gates were closed multiple times to meet Rio Vista flow standards

# Chinook Salmon Passage and Flow Below WIDD



# Delta Migration Stressors

- Predation
- Angling Pressure
- Environmental Variables
- Delta Flow Operation



4" N 121°29'55.59" W



Image: theoregonangler.com



### Pulse Flows, DXC OPERATIONS & Salmon Returns

| RETURN<br>YEAR | SALMON | STRAYING<br>RATES | OCTOBER FLOWS                  | DCC<br>CLOSURE<br>(Days) |
|----------------|--------|-------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
|                |        |                   | No Pulse                       |                          |
| 2008           | 412    | ~75%              | 80 CFS                         | 0                        |
| 2009           | 2 230  | >50%              | 600 1000 CES                   | 0                        |
| 2000           | 2,200  |                   |                                | 0                        |
| 2010           | 7,192  | >25%              | 1200, 2400 CFS                 | 2                        |
|                |        |                   |                                |                          |
| 2011           | 18,589 | ~19%              | 1280, 2150, 1330 CFS           | 10                       |
|                |        |                   |                                |                          |
| 2012           | 12,091 | ~21%              | 397, 269, 321, 235, 289 CFS    | 0                        |
| 2013           | 12,772 | UNK               | 7 pulses ranging 450 to 250cfs | 30+                      |

### 2011 American River CWT Recoveries



Figure 9. Proportion of hatchery- and natural-origin fish in the American River Basin.





Recovery of Coded-Wire Tags from Chinook Salmon in California's Central Valley Escapement and Ocean Harvest in 2011 Melodie Palmer-Zwahlen and Brett Kormos CDFW Fisheries Branch Administrative Report 2013-02 December 2013

# LMR 180 kHz Receiver Locations



# EBMUD & USBR Receiver Locations

Chipps

Island





WIDD

# Acoustic Telemetry









# Reach-Specific Survival (All) (program MARK)

Overall survival S = 9%; s.e.=0.02







# Reach-Specific Survival (Program MARK)

**Below WIDD** Release 2 Release 1 Overall survival Reach S = 33%S = 47% Release 1 s.e.=0.04 s.e.=0.05 S = 3%; s.e.=0.02 Feist Release 2 n=41 n=57 p=1 p=0.9 S = 15%; s.e.=0.03 Reach S = 32% S = 85% 2 s.e.=0.07 s.e.=0.05 n=13 n=49 Above Confluence p=1 p=1 Reach S = 46%S = 39% 3 s.e.=0.14 s.e.=0.07 Above New Hope n=6 n=19 p=1 p=1 Reach S = 67%S = 100%4 s.e.=0.19 s.e.=2E-10 n=19 n=4 Upper Fork 1 p=1 p=1 **λ**A1 **λ**B1 Upper Fork 2



#### Interactive effects of a non-native predator and

#### anthropogenic habitat alterations on native juvenile

salmon



 Mark Carr (UCSC), Sean Hayes (NMFS), Joe Merz (Cramer), Jose Setka (EBMUD)

# **Predator Removal Project**

1)Remove predators below WIDD to reduce predation on outmigrating Chinook salmon and steelhead smolts

2)Track striped bass movement through the use of acoustic telemetry technology







# Hatchery Releases









# Pacific Decadal Oscillation PDO



## 2015 Salmon Outlook

|  | Juvenile Migration Year |      |   | Adult Return<br>Outlook |              |                 |   |  |  |  |
|--|-------------------------|------|---|-------------------------|--------------|-----------------|---|--|--|--|
|  | 2011                    | 2012 | 2013  | 2014                    | coho<br>2015 | Chinook<br>2015 |   |  |  |  |
| Large- scale ocean and atmospheric indicators  |                         |      |   |                         |              |                 |   |  |  |  |
| PDO (May - Sept)   |                         |      | •   |                         | •            | •               |   |  |  |  |
| <u>ONI (Jan - Jun)</u>   |                         |      |   |                         | •            | •               |   |  |  |  |
| Local and regional physical indicators   |                         |      |   |                         |              |                 |   |  |  |  |
| Sea surface temperature<br>anomalies   | •                       | •    | •   | •                       | •            | •               |   |  |  |  |
| Coastal upwelling  |                         |      |   |                         | •            | •               |   |  |  |  |
| Deep water temperature and salinity  | •                       | •    | •   | •                       | •            | •               |   |  |  |  |
| Local biological indicators  |                         |      |   |                         |              |                 |   |  |  |  |
| Copepod biodiversity   |                         |      |   |                         | •            | •               |   |  |  |  |
| Northern copepod anomalies   |                         |      |   |                         | •            | •               |   |  |  |  |
| Biological spring transition   |                         |      |   |                         | •            | •               |   |  |  |  |
| Winter Ichthyoplankton   |                         |      |   |                         | •            | •               |   |  |  |  |
| Juvenile Catch - June  |                         |      |   |                         | •            | •               | S |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Key good conditions for salmon</li> <li>intermediate conditions for salmon</li> <li>poor conditions for salmon</li> </ul> |                         |      | <ul> <li>good returns expected</li> <li>no data</li> <li>poor returns expected</li> </ul> |                         |              |                 |   |  |  |  |

Source: management team briefing with NMFS

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