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SUBJECT: MARCH STATUS REPORT FOR NAPA RIVER FISH MONITORING

Dear Mike:

The following Napa Monthly Status Report summarizes the work conducted in March 2003 for the USACE by the Stillwater Sciences Team. Invoices for the level of task completion through March 2003 are being sent under separate cover.

Task 1201 - Database

Data for March sampling will be available on the website following QA/QC.

Task 1203 - Internet Site

The internet site has been established, and access granted to the public. A variety of data queries are available on the web site. These data queries continue to be updated and refined.

Task 1303 – Status report for March 2003

This March 2003 status report will be included on the March 2003 invoice.

Task 1403 – Field sampling for March 2003

Field sampling in early March occurred on 13 March 2003. Sampling consisted of fyke nets, beach seining, otter trawling, and purse seining.

The beach seine effectively fished at Site 1A-4 (north and south end of the SWOA) and 1A-3 (marsh plain terrace), during the high and ebbing tides. At Site 1A-4, the beach seine collected inland silverside and one threespine stickleback. At Site 1A-3, the beach seine collected inland silverside and Sacramento sucker.

The otter trawl effectively fished at the SWOA Slough Site 1A-2 and open water river Sites 1A-1, 2-1, and 1B-1, collecting shimofuri goby, striped bass, threadfin shad, white catfish, yellowfin goby, Sacramento sucker, staghorn sculpin, stary flounder, tule perch, and a rainwater killifish. The trawl also captured over 2,800 larval fish.

Fyke nets fished at Site 1A-6, 1A-7, and 1A-10 and collected inland silverside and shimifouri goby.

The purse seine was fished at Site 3-1. No fish were captured.

Field data sheets are attached to this report.

Task 1502 – Data Analysis for February 2003

Data collected during the February field trip is being Q/C'ed and entered into the database.

Task 1503 – Data Analysis for March 2003

Data collected during both the March field trips are being Q/C'ed and entered into the database.

Upcoming Activities

Field activities for April will occur on 10-11 and 23-25 April 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures: March sampling data sheets (on original letter only)
Two extra copies of status report