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SUBJECT: SEPTEMBER STATUS REPORT FOR NAPA RIVER FISH MONITORING

Dear Mike:

The following Monthly Status Report summarizes work conducted for the USACE by the Stillwater Sciences Team in September 2001. An invoice for the level of task completion through September 2001 is being sent under separate cover.

Task 1201 - Database

Database personnel continued work on the Database. Data from the July, August, and September surveys have been entered and the Q/C procedures have been completed. The data for July, August, and September will be available on the website following database refinements.

Task 1203 - Internet Site

The internet site has been established, and access granted via password to project team members. Public access will be granted and links to the IEP site published following uploading of the August and September data.

Task 1305 – Status report for September 2001

This September 2001 status report was prepared on October 6, and will be included on the October invoice.

Task 1404 –Field sampling for September

Field sampling for September occurred on September 11, 2001. Otter trawls and purse seines were deployed.

The otter trawl collected striped bass, yellowfin and shimofuri gobies, starry flounder, tule perch, and northern anchovy. The number of fish collected by gear type is listed in Table 1. Due to the debris caught during the otter trawl at site 1A-2, an alternate site north of the levee breach in the SWOA is being considered. The otter trawl was not used at Site 3-1 where the purse seine was used.

The beach seine was effectively fished at 1A-4 Flood Plain Terrace during ebb tide. The beach seine captured inland silversides (Table 1).

Field data sheets are attached to the original hard copy of this report.

Task 1405 –Field Sampling for October

Preparations are being made for the October sampling. Data sheets were finalized, rental equipment reserved, schedules established, and logistics discussed. The sampling date is October 11, 2001.

Task 1504 – Data Analysis for September 2001

Data collected during the September field trip was entered into the database, and analysis has begun.

Task 1603 - Larval Sample Processing July/March 2001

We have begun to count fish from the remaining samples, in order to more accurately extrapolate the results for endangered species take. Final counts can be completed after a contract modification is received from the USACE.

Upcoming Activities

Further development of the web site and database will continue. Field sampling began in July and will continue monthly. Data in the database will be checked, then uploaded to the web site.

Respectfully submitted,

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

