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EXPERT PANEL ON DIVERSION PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION CHARGE FOR MEETING #3

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CHARGE QUESTIONS

CPRA has identified a number of stakeholder concerns regarding sediment diversion planning and implementation. What specific recommendations would the expert panel have regarding the types of information that need to be developed prior to the upcoming decision points in order to alleviate these concerns? How could that information be developed and conveyed to stakeholders?

Are the monitoring data being collected being used appropriately in the analyses that have been presented to the panel? Are there key limitations of the data that can be remedied in time to inform the forthcoming CPRA 'decision to implement' toward the middle of 2015?

Are the modeling approaches for fish and shellfish appropriate to support the types of decisions being made by CPRA in late 2014 and late 2015? What else could be done in terms of predicting/understanding potential fish/shellfish response to no action and large sediment diversions in time to inform these decisions? What key limitations need to be explicitly acknowledged by CPRA as they use the model outputs to inform the decisions?

