BDCP Physical Modeling Update

Summary of Delta Hydrodynamic & Water Quality Results

BDCP Steering Committee
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Outline

- Update on physical modeling
- Summary of Delta flow and stage results
- Summary of Delta water quality results
- On-going work and next steps

Update on Physical Modeling

Physical modeling <u>complete</u> to date

VIC: Climate-driven hydrologic model

UnTRIM: Sea level rise effectsRMA: Tidal marsh effects

ANN: Flow-salinity responses

CALSIM II: Hydrology & system operations

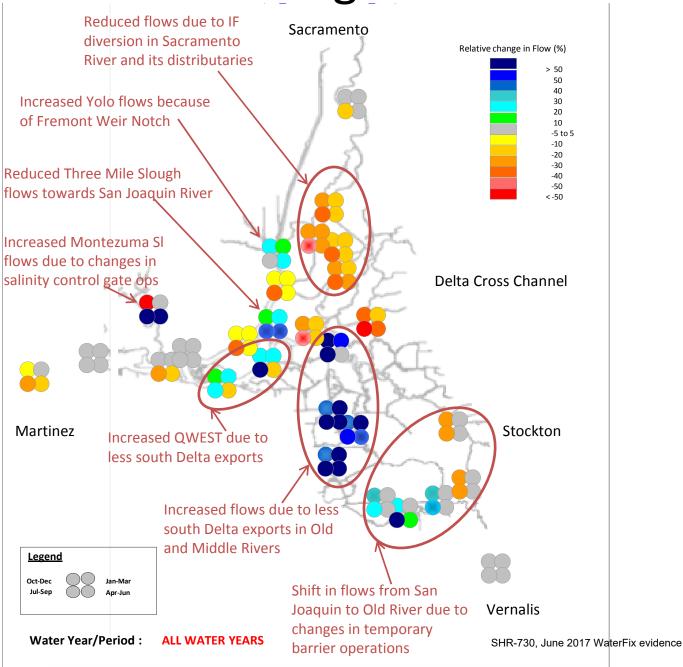
SRWQM: Sac R Water Quality Model

DSM2: Delta hydrodynamics & water quality

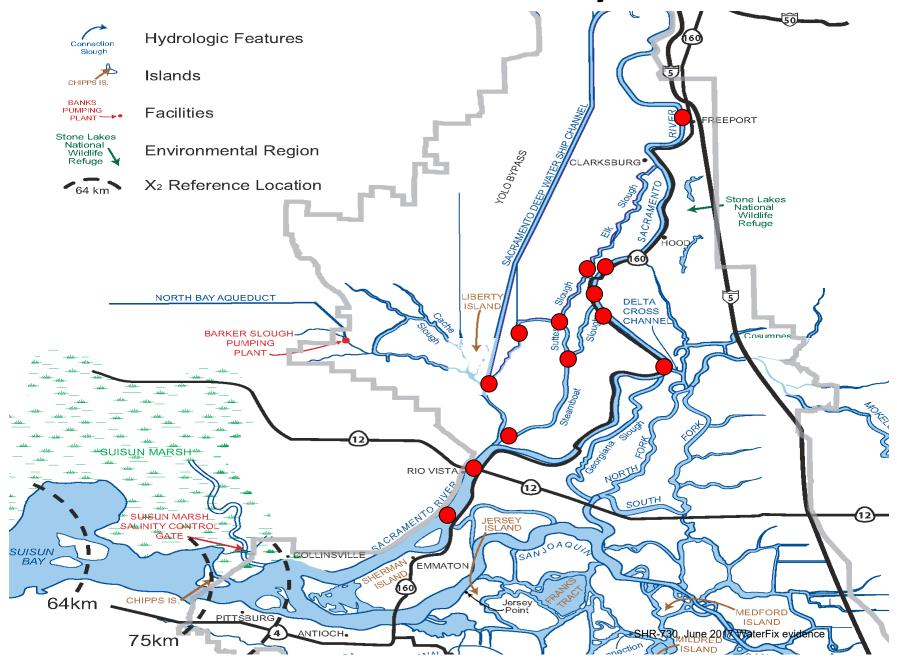
DSM2-PTM: Particle tracking models

- 6 scenarios for CALSIM II, SRWQM, DSM2, and DSM2-PTM models
 - 1. NAA: No Action Alternative with current climate and sea level
 - 2. NAA_ELT: No Action Alternative with 2025 climate and sea level rise
 - 3. NAA_LLT: No Action Alternative with 2060 climate and sea level rise
 - **4. PP:** Proposed Project (long-term ops) with current climate, sea level, and restoration
 - 5. PP_ELT: Project with Early Long-Term (2025) climate, sea level rise, and restoration
 - **6. PP_LLT:** Project with Early Long-Term (2060) climate, sea level rise, and restoration

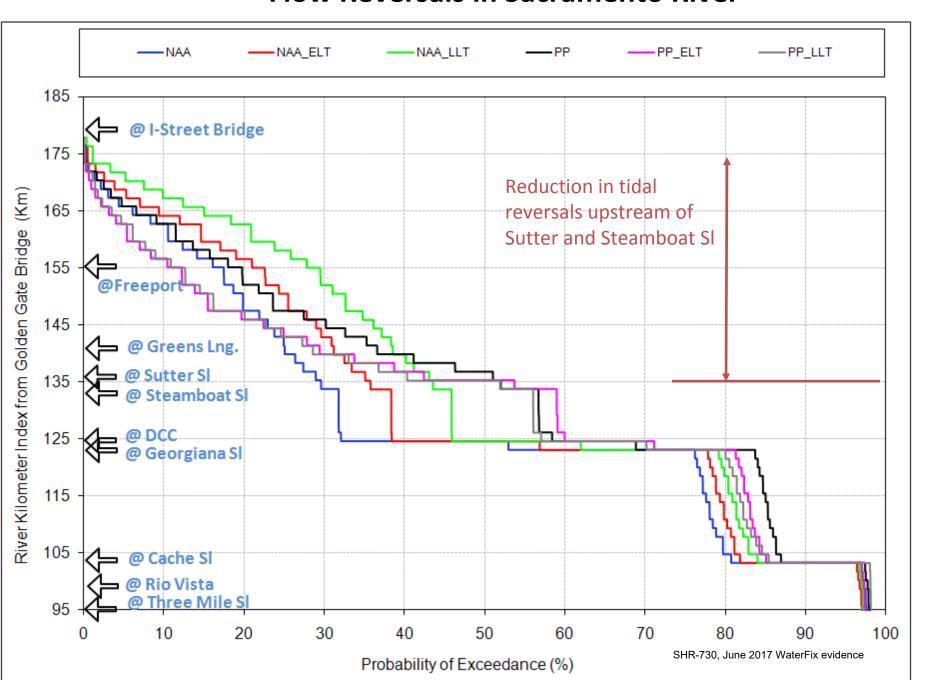
Seasonal Changes in Flow



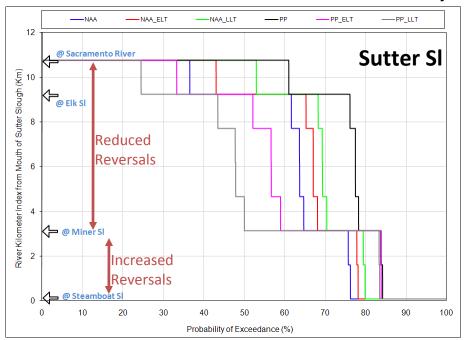
North Delta Locations for Today's Discussion

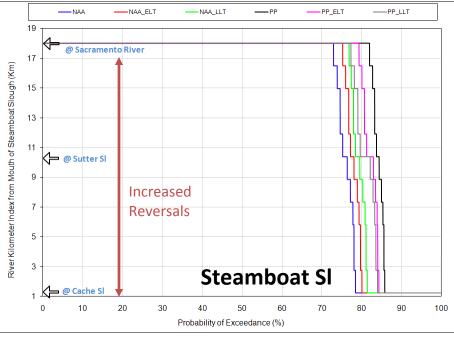


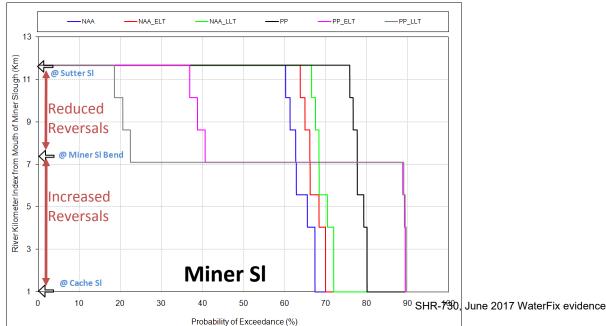
Flow Reversals in Sacramento River



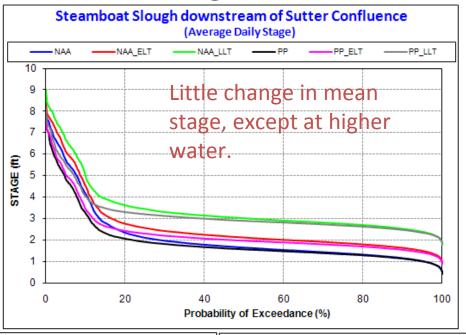
Flow Reversals in Sutter, Steamboat and Miner Sloughs

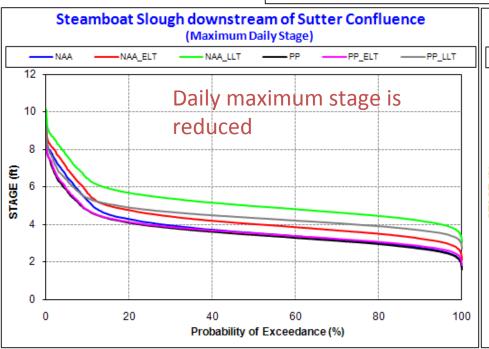


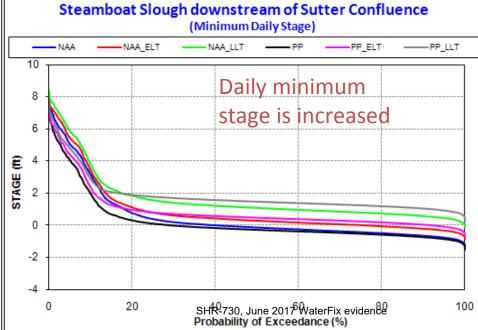




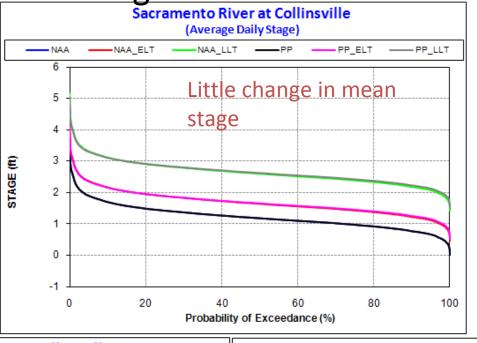
Water Level Changes in North Delta





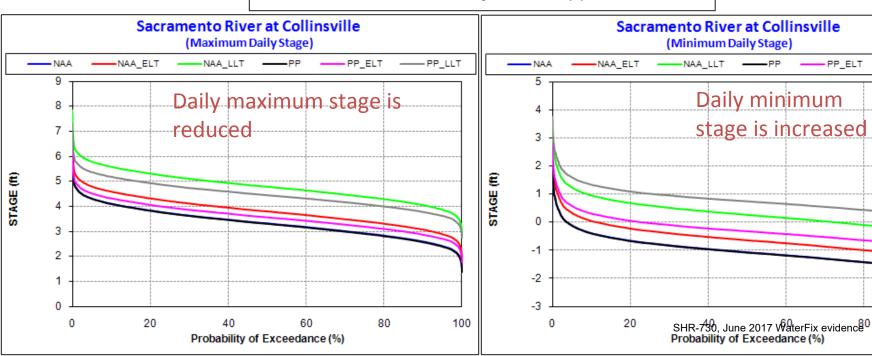


Water Level Changes in West and Central Delta

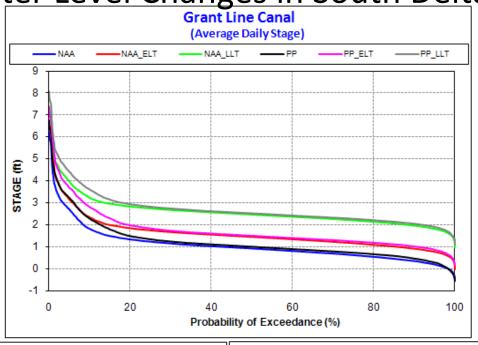


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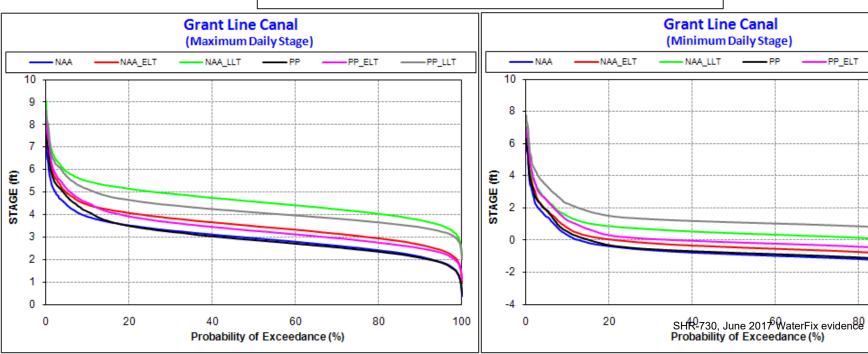


Water Level Changes in South Delta

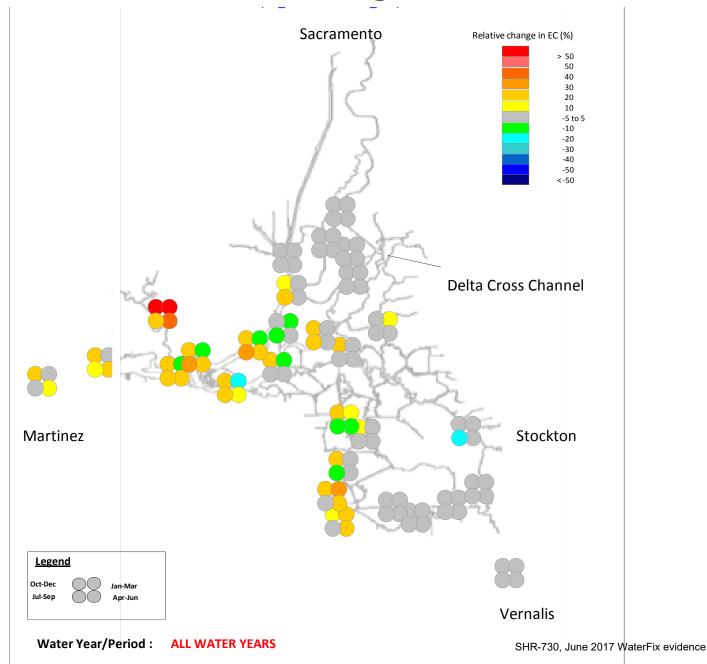


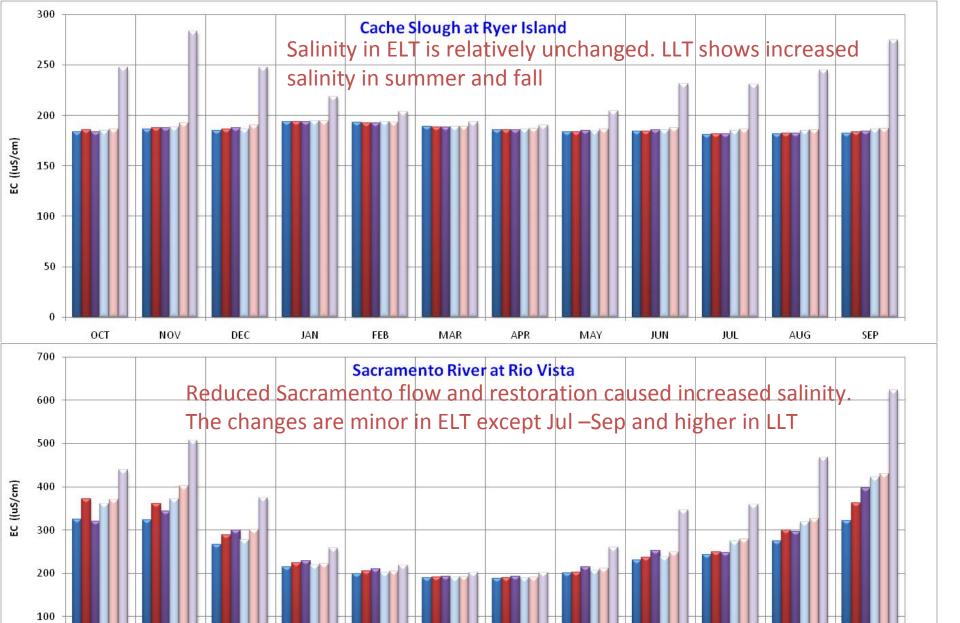
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Seasonal Changes in EC





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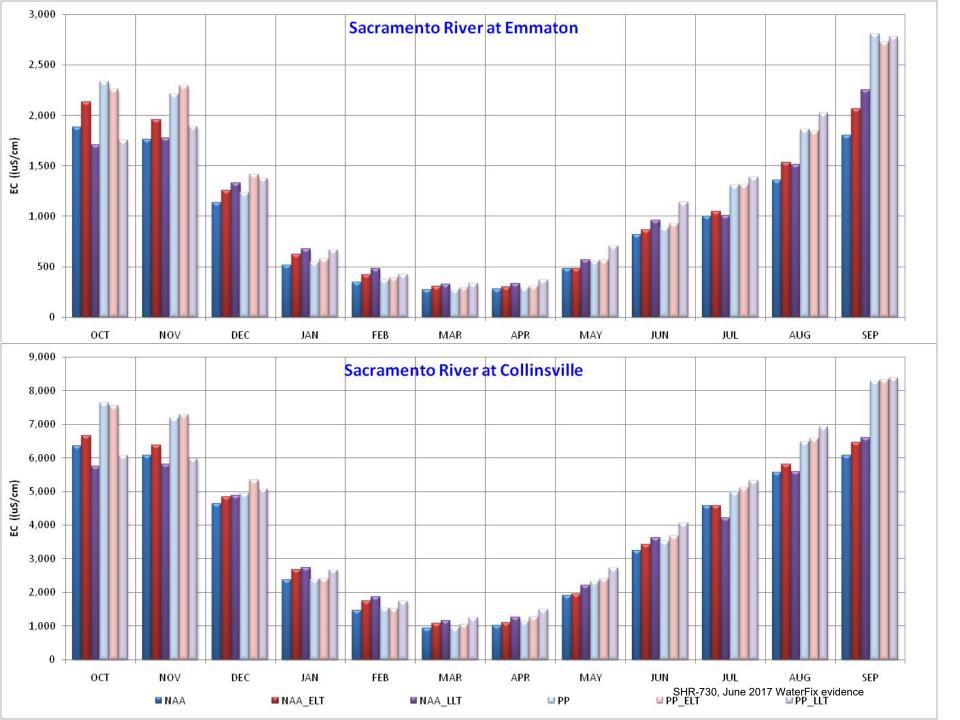
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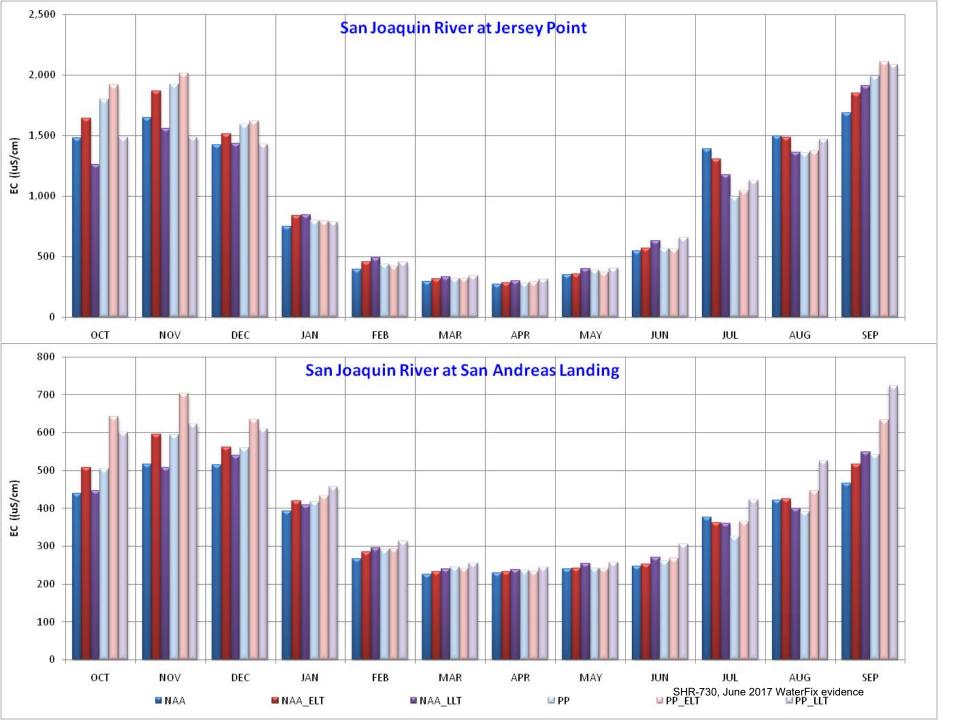
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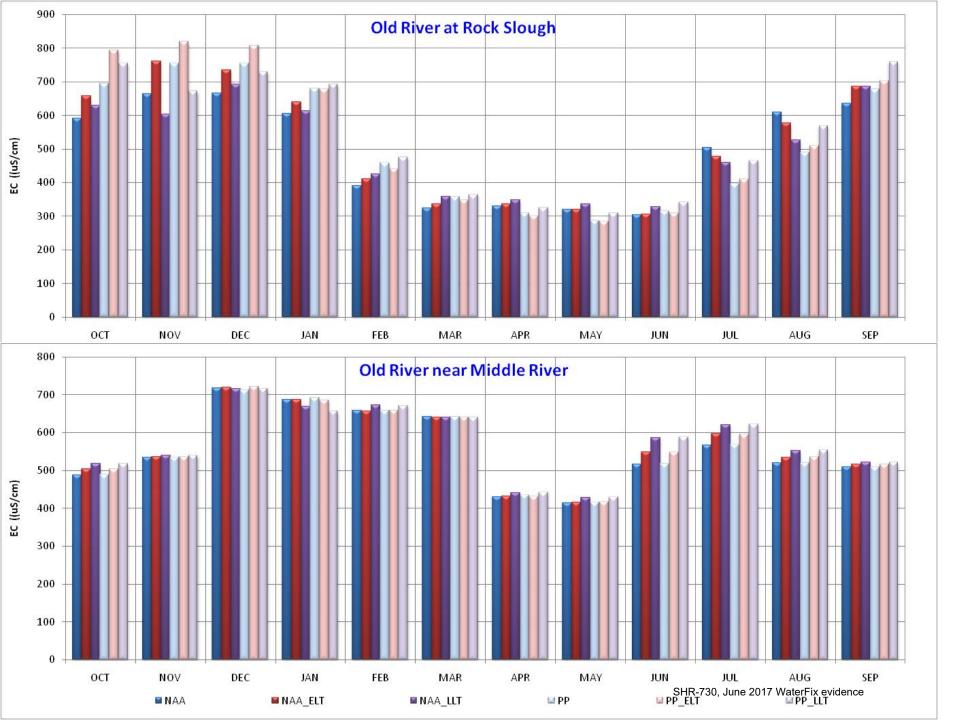
SHR-730, June 2017 WaterFix evidence PP_ELT PP_LLT

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Key Findings Comparing Proposed Project to No Action at Early- and Long-Term

Channel Flows

- Net flows reduced in north and central Delta due to north delta diversion
- OMR and QWEST increased due to reduced south Delta exports
- Restoration allows more periods with unidirectional flows or reduced occurrence of reversals in the north Delta

Stage

- Mean water levels reduced in the north Delta near proposed diversion and remain fairly unchanged rest of the Delta
- Tidal range decreased by 1 to 2 ft in portions of the Delta mainly caused by the restoration

Key Findings Comparing PP to NAA at ELT and LLT

Salinity

- No significant change upstream of Rio Vista and in southern Delta
- Slight increases in Old and Middle River and central Delta due to changes in contribution of the Sacramento (less) and San Joaquin
- Salinity increases in the west Delta due to the increased tidal excursion and reduction in Sacramento River flow

On-going Work and Next Steps for Physical Modeling Team

- Supporting teams conducting effects analysis
- Completed analytical range sensitivity studies
- Completing climate sensitivity studies
- Conducting special studies
 - North delta intake and conveyance sizing sensitivity
 - North delta intake location sensitivity
 - North delta bypasses evaluation summary
 - Delta levee failure and sea level rise
 - San Joaquin inflow sensitivity
 - Old River corridor integration