

1 provide a coarse representation of the project operations over the hydrologic conditions
2 considered. These rules are often specified as a function of year type or a prior month's
3 simulated storage or flow condition. The model has no capability of adjusting these rules to
4 respond to specific events that may have occurred historically, e.g., extreme droughts,
5 levee failures, fluctuations in barometric pressure that may have affected delta tides and
6 salinities, facility outages, etc. Thus, results should not be expected to exactly match what
7 operators might do in a specific month or year within the simulation period since the latter
8 would be informed by numerous real-time considerations. Rather, results are intended to
9 be a reasonable representation of long-term operational tendencies or trends. Under
10 stressed water supply conditions, given the generalized nature of specified operations
11 rules, CalSim II model results should only be considered as an indicator of stressed water
12 supply conditions, and should not necessarily be understood to reflect literally what would
13 occur in the future under a given scenario. For example, CalSim II model can result in
14 instances where the required minimum instream flows, or regulatory flow/salinity
15 requirements cannot be achieved, or deliveries to senior water rights holders could be
16 shorted due to extreme water supply conditions in the reservoirs.

17 CalSim II includes the State Water Resources Control Board regulatory
18 requirements for CVP-SWP as specified for each water year type. However, CalSim II
19 does not currently reflect any potential temporary relaxations of standards that the State
20 Water Resources Control Board in coordination with other regulatory agencies might invoke
21 under extreme circumstances. As a result, CalSim II may tend to underestimate reservoir
22 storages and overestimate flows during the most severe droughts. CalSim II also does not
23 account for the compromises and temporary arrangements that are made among
24 stakeholders during such dry circumstances. In reality the operations are managed in
25 close coordination with various regulatory agencies and stakeholders under such extreme
26 circumstances. In actual future operations, the project operators would continue to work in
27 real time to satisfy legal and contractual obligations based on the water supply conditions
28 and other information available at the time. None of these can be included in the CalSim II