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SCH #

Project Title: Experimental Release of Delta Smelt

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 City: Fairfield Zip: CA County: Solano

Project Location: County: Contra Costa, Sacramento, Solano, and Yolo City/Nearest Community: Rio Vista
 Cross Streets: n/a Zip Code: n/a

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): _____ ° _____ ' _____ " N / _____ ° _____ ' _____ " W Total Acres: ~220,000

Assessor's Parcel No.: _____ Section: _____ Twp.: _____ Range: _____ Base: _____

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 4, 12, 80, 84, 113, 160, 220 Waterways: Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers, Suisun Marsh
 Airports: Rio Vista Municipal Airport Railways: AmTrak, Union Pacific, BNSF Schools: White Elementary, Rio Vista Highschool, Riverview Middle

Document Type:

CEQA: NOP Draft EIR NEPA: NOI Other: Joint Document
 Early Cons Supplement/Subsequent EIR EA Final Document
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Local Action Type:

General Plan Update Specific Plan Rezone Annexation
 General Plan Amendment Master Plan Prezone Redevelopment
 General Plan Element Planned Unit Development Use Permit Coastal Permit
 Community Plan Site Plan Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) Other: Feasibility Study

Development Type:

Residential: Units _____ Acres _____ Transportation: Type _____
 Office: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Mining: Mineral _____
 Commercial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Power: Type _____ MW _____
 Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____
 Educational: _____ Hazardous Waste: Type _____
 Recreational: _____ Other: Biological Study
 Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

Aesthetic/Visual Fiscal Recreation/Parks Vegetation
 Agricultural Land Flood Plain/Flooding Schools/Universities Water Quality
 Air Quality Forest Land/Fire Hazard Septic Systems Water Supply/Groundwater
 Archeological/Historical Geologic/Seismic Sewer Capacity Wetland/Riparian
 Biological Resources Minerals Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading Growth Inducement
 Coastal Zone Noise Solid Waste Land Use
 Drainage/Absorption Population/Housing Balance Toxic/Hazardous Cumulative Effects
 Economic/Jobs Public Services/Facilities Traffic/Circulation Other: _____

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Multi-jurisdictional (4 Counties)

Project Description: (please use a separate page if necessary)

The Project proposes to annually release up to 60,000 adult equivalents of surplus hatchery origin Delta Smelt each year into a portion of the current range of the species for a three-year period. The purpose of the Project would be part of an early experimental release effort to answer several high priority questions to inform the feasibility of future supplementation efforts, if pursued in the future. The hatchery fish would be propagated at the University of California Davis Fish Conservation and Culture Laboratory in Byron, California. The Project would rely on ongoing monitoring performed by the nine-member agency Interagency Ecological Program's (IEP) studies for sampling and data collection which have been ongoing since the 1970s and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Enhanced Delta Smelt Monitoring Program.

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<input type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol	<input type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of
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Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date August 11, 2021 Ending Date September 10, 2021

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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