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ATTENTION OF:

CECW-PM (1105-2-10b)

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MEMORANDUM FOR Commander, South Pacific Division (CESPD-CM-P)

SUBJECT: Napa Salt Marsh Restoration Project, California – Alternative Formulation Briefing (AFB) Guidance Memorandum

1. Reference is made to the following:
 - a. E-mail, CESPD-CM-P, 16 December 2002, subject: Bel Marin Keys, Napa, and other topics, transmitting responses to the policy compliance review comments; and
 - b. E-mail, CECW-PM, 25 November 2002, subject: Napa Salt Marsh, transmitting AFB policy compliance review comments; and
 - c. Memorandum, CESPD-CM-P, 8 August 2002, subject: Submittal of Alternative Formulation Briefing (AFB) Package for the Napa Salt Marsh Restoration Project, requesting Washington level review of the pre-conference material for the AFB.
2. The subject AFB was held on 14 January 2003. Participants in the conference included representatives from HQUSACE, CESPD, CESP, and the sponsor. The AFB was held to obtain HQUSACE involvement in the preparation of the Draft Feasibility Report prior to release for public review. A complete summary of the comments, discussions and required actions reached during the AFB is enclosed.
3. As discussed during the AFB, the district will need to provide additional information to higher authority prior to the release of the draft feasibility report for public comment. Specifically, the vertical team needs to further discuss the proposed adaptive management plan and the sponsor's interests in the pipeline once it is no longer needed to effect the projects restoration outputs. Following receipt of the additional information, a teleconference will be scheduled among HQUSACE, SPD and SPN to facilitate timely resolution of pertinent issues and release of the draft feasibility report for public comment.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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