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RE: FERC Project 2299 - Tuolumne River Oncorhynchus mykiss monitoring report

Dear Fishery Agency representatives:

The accompanying draft report is presented to you in compliance with Ordering Paragraph (C) (5) of the April 3, 2008 FERC *Order on Ten-Year Summary Report under Article 58* (Order) for Project No. 2299. In accordance with the Order, please send me your comments on this draft report within 30 days following the date of this transmittal. The Order requires the Districts to file this report with agency comments by January 15, 2010.

In addition, the recently completed report on 2009 population estimate surveys is available at <a href="http://tuolumnerivertac.com/documents.htm">http://tuolumnerivertac.com/documents.htm</a>. That report is referenced as Stillwater Sciences 2009b in the subject report.

This transmittal sheet, along with the draft report, is also being sent electronically to parties of the Project 2299 proceeding identified in the July 16, 2009 FERC Order (page 8, Paragraph 13). Please contact me at 209-883-8375 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Modesto Irrigation District, City and County of San Francisco, U.S. Department of the Interior, San Francisco Bay Area Water Users Association, Stanislaus Flyfishermen, Friends of the Tuolumne, Conservation Groups

