6.0 CONSULTATION AND COORDINATION

6.1 PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

This section describes the public involvement activities that have occurred during the development of this document.

6.2 PUBLIC SCOPING

On March 16, 2007, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) published a Notice of Intent (NOI) in the Federal Register to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Placer Vineyards Specific Plan project. The NOI provided information on the proposed Placer Vineyards Specific Plan and EIS preparation, and provided information about the public scoping meetings and directions for submitting scoping comments. On March 28, 2007, the USACE and Placer County held two public meetings to support scoping under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The scoping meetings were noticed in local newspapers and letters were also sent to local agencies and stakeholders. The meetings were held at the Placer County Community Development Resource Center, Planning Commission Hearing Room, 3091 County Center Drive, in Auburn, California. Comments were accepted during the scoping meeting and throughout the comment period, which ended on April 12, 2007. Written comments were received during the scoping period from federal, state, and local agencies, and the general public in addition to verbal comments. Refer to **Appendix 1.0** for a summary of the meeting materials and comments provided during scoping.

6.3 AGENCY COORDINATION

On December 30, 2009, the USACE requested the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) cooperate in the preparation of the EIS because of their expertise with regard to aquatic resources and endangered species, respectively. The USEPA accepted the role of cooperating agency on January 21, 2010, and participated in project meetings and provided input during the preparation of the Draft EIS. The NMFS declined the role of cooperating agency on June 11, 2010. USFWS did not respond to the USACE request but did provide input during the preparation of this Draft EIS.

6.4 DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

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