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Glossary

These terms have the following meaning for the purposes of the Safety of Dams ROD:

**Auxiliary Spillway**
A man-made channel, usually located in a saddle or depression in the reservoir rim which leads to a natural or excavated waterway, located away from the dam which permits the planned release of excess floodflow beyond the capacity of the service spillway. A control structure is seldom furnished. A crest is set at the maximum water surface elevation for a 100-year flood, or some specific frequency flood. The auxiliary spillway thus only has infrequent use.

**Folsom Facility**
Refers to Folsom Dam and Appurtenant Facilities including the Main Concrete Dam, Left Wing Dam (LWD), Right Wing Dam (RWD), Dikes 1 through 8, and Mormon Island Auxiliary Dam (MIAD).

**Preferred Alternative**
The Preferred Alternative incorporates all four components of the Folsom Dam Safety and Flood Damage Reduction action. This includes: (1) the new JFP Auxiliary Spillway addressing Reclamation’s Dam Safety hydrologic risk reduction objective and the Corps’ flood damage risk reduction objective; (2) Reclamation’s Dam Safety seismic and static risk reduction features; (3) Reclamation’s Dam Security enhancements; and (4) the Corps’ flood damage reduction objectives.
## List of Acronyms

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<td>ADT</td>
<td>Average Daily Traffic</td>
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<td>HTRW</td>
<td>Hazardous, toxic, and radioactive wastes</td>
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<td>Migratory Bird Treaty Act of 1918</td>
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<td>Mormon Island Auxiliary Dam</td>
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<td>State Historic Preservation Officer</td>
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<td>Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District</td>
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<td>SOD</td>
<td>Safety of Dams</td>
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<td>SWPPP</td>
<td>Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan</td>
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<td>VELB</td>
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<td>6STG</td>
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**List of Abbreviations**

- **CO**: carbon monoxide
- **ft**: foot
- **NO_x**: nitrogen oxides
- **PM_{2.5}**: fine particulate matter of 2.5 microns in size
- **PM_{10}**: inhalable particulate matter of 10 microns in size
- **V/C**: volume to capacity ratio
Record of Decision
Folsom Dam Safety of Dams and Security Upgrades Projects

I. Introduction

This document is the Record of Decision (ROD) of the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation), Mid-Pacific Region, for the Safety of Dams and Dam Security aspects of the Folsom Dam Safety and Flood Damage Reduction (DS/FDR) project. The project is the subject of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) [DES-06-53, State Clearinghouse #2006022091] dated December 2006, and a Final EIS/EIR [FES-07-01] dated March 2007, developed in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The Folsom DS/FDR EIS/EIR addressed four separate actions to be implemented and constructed jointly and separately by Reclamation and the Department of the Army, Office of the Secretary of the Army (Civil Works) (Corps). These include:

1. The Joint Federal Project (JFP) Auxiliary Spillway to be constructed jointly by Reclamation and the Corps to address hydrologic dam safety and flood damage reduction issues;

2. Folsom Facility modifications to be constructed by Reclamation to address dam safety issues related to seismic, hydrologic and static concerns;

3. Security upgrades to Folsom facilities to be implemented by Reclamation; and,

4. Additional modifications to Folsom facilities to be constructed by the Corps to address flood damage reduction issues.

The Preferred Alternative discussed in the Final EIS/EIR incorporates aspects of both the Dam Safety and Dam Security elements of the Folsom DS/FDR project. This Safety of Dams/Dam Security ROD addresses only those actions that Reclamation can solely implement under its Safety of Dams and Dam Security authorities. Those actions are included within features #2 and #3 above. The JFP Auxiliary Spillway action (feature #1) is being addressed under a separate ROD to be signed by Reclamation and the Corps. The Corps will address flood damage reduction issues (feature #4) in a third ROD developed under its Authorities.
II. Decision

Reclamation’s decision is to proceed with the dam safety and security measures outlined in the Preferred Alternative (Alternative 3), as identified in the Final EIS/EIR. Elements of this decision are highlighted below. Should the Corps experience unforeseen delays in funding or in completing the design of the JFP spillway, to the extent that such delays jeopardize completion of the JFP spillway within established schedules, Reclamation will revisit the fuseplug spillway alternative under existing information, in coordination with the Corps, Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency (SAFCA), and the State Reclamation Board/California Department of Water Resources (Partner Agencies) and a subsequent ROD may be issued.

Dam Safety Improvements

To address seismic, hydrologic and static concerns for structures comprising the Folsom Facility, Reclamation will implement planned modifications for the Main Concrete Dam, the Right Wing Dam (RWD), the Left Wing Dam (LWD), Dikes 4, 5, and 6, and Mormon Island Auxiliary Dam (MIAD). All of these modifications will be designed and constructed independently by Reclamation.

Main Concrete Dam

To address seismic concerns allowing the Main Concrete Dam to withstand a major earthquake, three types of improvements will be implemented. These include anchoring of the spillway pier monoliths and installation of reinforcements to the existing spillway gates and piers. The concrete monoliths forming the main dam could potentially slip along the joints of adjacent blocks during an earthquake. Deformation of the gate piers and during earthquake loading could result in failure of several spillway gates. These failures could release significant quantities of water that could cause flooding and possible failure of the downstream levees. The three types of improvements proposed to enhance main dam safety include:

a) Pier Tendon Installation – This project will anchor the concrete monoliths that form the spillway piers to prevent movement of the piers during a major earthquake. Tendons will be installed into the piers by drilling a borehole into the concrete blocks, inserting the tendon, and grouting the tendon in place. The tendon and hole will then be grouted to the surface. There are six tendons anticipated per pier block with seven piers identified for anchoring.

b) Pier Wrap - This improvement to the main dam involves placement of a steel plate wrapped around the downstream portion of the piers and anchored with bolts on both sides that extend completely through the pier, upstream of the area of concern. The steel plate would carry the load placed on it if the pier tends to shear and displace during an earthquake.
c) **Spillway Gate Modifications** - Spillway gates could be overstressed during large seismic events and could fail from buckling of the gate arms. Failure of several spillway gates could release significant quantities of water that could cause flooding and failure of the downstream levees. The proposed modifications will strengthen the gate arms through installation of metal plate bracing. This strengthening could be performed with the gate in place. During construction, a bulkhead would be installed upstream of the gate to eliminate loading on the gate and the reinforcement installed.

**LWD, RWD, Dikes 4, 5, and 6, MIAD Static Control**

To address seepage concerns due to static and hydrologic loading for the LWD, RWD, Dikes 4, 5, and 6, and MIAD, Reclamation will install full height filters, toe drains and overlays on the downstream face of each earthen structure. The filter material will be comprised of processed sand and gravel material that will be delivered to each individual facility from offsite and/or processed on-site in a rock crushing plant. The processing plants will be located near the LWD/Overlook Parking Lot, D2, and/or Beal’s Point staging area. These would use materials excavated from the JFP Auxiliary Spillway or excavated southeast of Mooney Ridge as the feedstock.

The construction improvements to the earthen facilities will involve stripping a layer of shell material from the downstream face of the wing dams and dikes, placement of the filter material, and replacing the shell. Additional material needed to rebuild the shell will either be excavated from the JFP Auxiliary Spillway site or from supplemental borrow sites. Shell material processing plants may be sited at the Overlook Parking Lot, Beal’s Point staging area, and at the D2 location, if necessary. Borrow for shell production may include material stockpiled from the spillway excavation at the LWD, Overlook Parking Lot, Dike 7, Dike 8 and D1/D2. In addition, borrow may be developed at a site southeast of Mooney Ridge. Staging areas will be developed near each of the facilities subject to static work (Dikes 4, 5, 6, LWD and RWD). A primary staging area will be developed south and/or north of Beal’s Point using material excavated from the JFP Auxiliary Spillway site and/or Mooney Ridge site.

**MIAD Seismic Improvements**

To address seismic concerns for MIAD, two types of improvements will be implemented.

a) **Jet Grouting of MIAD Foundation.** The first improvement to MIAD will involve stabilization of its foundation using a subsurface jet grout injection process. A cement-grout mixture would be formed in an on-site batch plant using raw cement material hauled to the project site and water obtained from the reservoir. The cement-water mixture would be injected into the
subsurface using a drilling method. The grout mixture will solidify the historic river cobble/dredged stream bed materials beneath MIAD forming a stable foundation.

b) **MIAD Overlay.** Following jet grouting, material excavated from the new JFP Auxiliary Spillway site that was temporarily stockpiled at the D1/D2 area, along with processed sand and gravel material, will be placed as an overlay on the downstream face of MIAD. This overlay is intended to add additional stability to the downstream face of the earthen structure.

**Dam Security Improvements**

To improve security measures for this National Critical Infrastructure Facility, Reclamation will install security cameras at access points to the Main Concrete Dam, Dikes 4 through 7, and at MIAD. The cameras will be placed on 30-ft high steel poles. To the extent practicable, poles will be situated adjacent to or within surrounding vegetation and topography, or include artificial covering, in order to minimize visual impacts to nearby residents and the visiting public. The electrical and cable connections will be buried and/or integrated with above ground power lines. To improve the night visibility at the Main Concrete Dam and control gates, Reclamation will install lighting to focus on the critical aspects of this structure. To the extent practicable, lighting will be installed in a manner that meets security mission requirements and minimizes glare or reflection impacts to homes and other private property surrounding the reservoir.

**Auxiliary Spillway Fuseplug Control Structure**

Under the JFP ROD, Reclamation and the Corps identified a six submerged tainter gate (6STG) structure as their preferred method of improving hydrologic control of releases from Folsom Reservoir. During the evaluation of control structures, Reclamation also evaluated the construction of a fuseplug control structure as an alternative means of hydrologic control during emergency storm events. The fuseplug control structure would address Reclamation’s dam safety objectives but not the Corps flood damage reduction objectives. Reclamation would construct the fuseplug control structure only if the Corps experienced significant delays in design and construction of the 6STG control structure or other elements of their assigned work package, and only after consultation with the Corps and other Partner Agencies.

**III. Background and Alternatives Considered**

Folsom Facility (the concrete dam and 11 earthen dams/dikes) impound waters of the American River forming Folsom Reservoir. Reclamation under its Safety of Dams Program evaluated the Folsom Facility for hydrologic (flood flow), seismic (earthquake), and static (seepage) risks. In addition to the seismic, hydrologic and static issues addressed in this ROD, Reclamation has determined that the facility is at
risk of overtopping during extreme flood events due to the operational limitations of the existing spillway. Reclamation’s dam safety objectives are to protect public safety by ensuring that Folsom Dam and its appurtenant structures can safely contain water during normal operations and the structures can safely withstand a major earthquake.

Under its Safety, Security, and Law Enforcement Program, Reclamation identified Folsom Dam as a National Critical Infrastructure Facility, particularly in light of the dam and reservoir being upstream of a major metropolitan center. Any compromise of the facility could result in grave property damage and loss of life. Reclamation's Security Program objectives are to protect public safety by securing Folsom Dam and its appurtenant structures and other Reclamation facilities, including the Folsom Powerplant, from attack or damage.

Reclamation is the lead agency for the Dam Safety and Dam Security actions and was responsible for the preparation of the EIS/EIR pursuant to NEPA. Reclamation identified and analyzed six alternatives in the Draft EIS/EIR including the No Action Alternative, which is required under NEPA. The No Action Alternative would result in no construction to improve the structures at the Folsom Facility and thereby would achieve no reduction in static, hydrologic or seismic risk.

In addition to the No Action Alternative, Reclamation considered five action alternatives that meet hydrologic control, and static and seismic safety objectives described in the purpose and need statement in the Draft EIS/EIR. These five alternatives primarily focused on alternate means of reducing hydrologic risks, not static or seismic risks. The five alternatives are:

**Alternative 1 –Fuseplug Auxiliary Spillway**
Alternative 1 would involve construction of an Auxiliary Spillway using a fuseplug as the control structure. This alternative addressed Reclamation’s dam safety hydrologic objectives and remains a portion of this Safety of Dams ROD. Reclamation would implement construction of the fuseplug spillway only should the Corps be unable to complete construction of the 6STG control structure or other elements of their assigned work package, within established schedules, and only after consultation with the Corps and other Partner Agencies. Alternative 1 includes all of the static, hydrologic and seismic improvements for the Main Concrete Dam, RWD, LWD, Dikes 4, 5, and 6, and MIAD described above.

**Alternative 2 –Fuseplug Auxiliary Spillway with Tunnel**
Alternative 2 included a Fuseplug Auxiliary Spillway with a gated tunnel. Alternative 2 primarily addressed Reclamation dam safety hydrologic risk reduction objectives. Alternative 2 includes all of the static, hydrologic and seismic improvements for the Main Concrete Dam, RWD, LWD, Dikes 4, 5, and 6, and
MIAD, with the exception that the seismic risk of the foundation of MIAD failing would be addressed through excavation and replacement of the downstream foundation, and not through jet grouting.

**Alternative 3 (Preferred Alternative) – JFP Gated Auxiliary Spillway**

Alternative 3 was identified in the Final EIS/EIR as Reclamation’s Preferred Alternative to address hydrologic, static, and dam safety risk and by the Corps as a component of its Selected Plan. Alternative 3 includes the construction of a new 6STG Auxiliary Spillway. Alternative 3 includes all of the static, hydrologic and seismic improvements to the Main Concrete Dam, RWD, LWD, Dikes 4, 5, and 6, and MIAD as described for Alternative 1.

**Alternative 4 – 7-ft Raise with JFP Gated Auxiliary Spillway (removed from consideration between the Draft and Final EIS/EIR)**

Alternative 4 included a JFP gated Auxiliary Spillway along with a 7-ft raise of all 12 Folsom Dam structures. Alternative 4 would address both Reclamation’s and the Corps’ hydrologic control objectives for the Folsom Facility. Alternative 4 includes all of the static, hydrologic and seismic improvements Main Concrete Dam, RWD, LWD, Dikes 4, 5, and 6, and MIAD described for Alternative 1.

**Alternative 5 – 17-ft Raise (removed from consideration between the Draft and Final EIS/EIR)**

Alternative 5 used a 17-ft raise to contain flood waters and did not involve construction of a new Auxiliary Spillway. Alternative 2 includes all of the static, hydrologic and seismic improvements for the Main Concrete Dam, RWD, LWD, Dikes 4, 5, and 6, and MIAD, with the exception that foundation issues for MIAD would be addressed through excavation and replacement of the downstream foundation, and not through jet grouting.

In addition to the alternatives described above, several alternatives addressing static, hydrologic and seismic concerns for all 12 structures comprising the Folsom Facility were considered during the screening process. These include installation of shear keys for the main dam foundation and placement of filters of various configurations for the earthen structures. These alternative measures were eliminated from further consideration for various reasons including technical and economic reasons. Section 2.1.4 of the Draft EIS/EIR presents the measures that were evaluated for incorporation into the alternatives and the rationale for their elimination. Alternative 3 is the environmentally preferred/least environmentally damaging practicable alternative.
IV. Basis of Decision and Issues Evaluated

The purpose and need for the Federal Action takes into consideration Reclamation’s statutory, regulatory, contractual, policies, mission and authority for the operation, maintenance, safety and security associated with the Folsom Facility. In the EIS/EIR, the five action alternatives were evaluated on how well they met the project’s purpose and need as well as their environmental consequences.

Public input received during the scoping process, comments at the public hearings, and comments on the Draft EIS/EIR were considered by Reclamation and the Corps during the revision of Alternative 3 as described in the Final EIS/EIR. Alternative 3 was identified as the Preferred Alternative in the Final EIS/EIR and as a component of both the Selected Plan by the Corps and planned Safety of Dams modifications by Reclamation. Public comments were received following the circulation of the Final EIS/EIR on March 30, 2007. The issues raised in these public comments are summarized in Appendix A.

The impacts of each of the alternatives were evaluated in the EIS/EIR in the following environmental resource areas:

- Hydrology, Water Quality, and Groundwater
- Water Supply
- Air Quality
- Aquatic Resources
- Terrestrial Vegetation and Wildlife
- Soils, Minerals, and Geological Resources
- Visual Resources
- Agricultural Resources
- Transportation and Circulation
- Noise
- Cultural Resources
- Land Use, Planning, and Zoning
- Recreation
- Public Services and Utilities
- Hydropower
- Population and Housing
- Public Health and Safety
- Indian Trust Assets
- Environmental Justice

Based upon the analysis contained in the Draft EIS/EIR, Reclamation concluded that Alternative 3 is the environmentally preferred alternative. This alternative best protects businesses and properties and maintains historic, cultural, and natural resources. The No Action Alternative is the least environmentally damaging of all
the alternatives, but the No Action Alternative does not meet any of the requirements in the Purpose and Need Statement for the Folsom DS/FDR actions. Based on the comparative analysis, Alternatives 1 and 3 scored equally as the environmentally preferred alternative for Reclamation’s dam safety objectives. Both alternatives include essentially the same dam safety elements. Alternative 2 with the excavation and replacement of the MIAD foundation, and Alternatives 4 and 5 with their significant earthen raises, would have substantially greater impacts than Alternative 3.

The primary impact issue addressed in the Final EIS/EIR was minimizing adverse effects to recreational opportunities at Folsom Reservoir. Based upon comments received from the public on the Draft EIS/EIR, Alternative 3 (the Preferred Alternative) was revised to incorporate measures that improve public access and enjoyment of recreation sites during construction. The Draft EIS/EIR introduced mitigation measures reducing other impacts and there was no change in mitigation strategy except for recreation in the Final EIS/EIR.

V. Compliance with Federal Regulations

In accordance with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, Reclamation requested formal consultation with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) on November 28, 2006. The Biological Opinion for this project was received from the USFWS on April 5, 2007. In compliance with the Incidental Take Statement, the non-discretionary mitigation measures listed in the BO will be implemented by Reclamation and the Corps. Reclamation has determined that the proposed action will have no effect on listed species or critical habitat under the jurisdiction of National Marine Fisheries Service.

In compliance with the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, USFWS submitted the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act Report (FWCAR) for the Folsom Dam Safety and Flood Damage Reduction project to Reclamation on April 6, 2007. All recommendations from the FWCAR were adopted with the following exceptions:

1. The USFWS recommended that Reclamation monitor the wetlands adjacent to the jet grout work at MIAD. Reclamation will monitor surface and subsurface water quality during the jet grout work at MIAD and for 6 months after the completion of work. If there is a change in surface or subsurface water quality during this time, Reclamation will continue to monitor site conditions as well as develop a plan to address any impacts to water quality.

2. In its FWCAR, the USFWS recommended that the responsible Federal Agencies develop a monitoring and adaptive management plan to monitor vegetation around the reservoir over the life of the project. Baseline conditions would be established and updated at intervals (10 years).
3. In addition, the USFWS recommended compensatory mitigation for the loss of any habitat from unavoidable impacts resulting from a raise and/or inundation impacts.

The three recommendations are not being adopted by this ROD. It is not anticipated that the jet grout work would have long-term or short-term impacts to water quality within the action area. Construction of the Preferred Alternative will not result in inundation of the reservoir beyond existing conditions.

In compliance with the Clean Air Act, Reclamation completed a de minimus emissions conformity evaluation of the project, demonstrating that the project can conform to the Clean Air Act.

In compliance with the Clean Water Act, Reclamation and the Corps will obtain any necessary discharge permits, ensure compliance with permit requirements, and require their respective construction contractors to develop and adhere to respective Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plans.

In compliance with the National Historic Preservation Action, Section 106, Reclamation has initiated consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO). Reclamation will complete consultation with the SHPO prior to award of construction contracts related to this ROD.

VI. Implementing Decision and Environmental Commitments

Project planning, as described in the Final EIS/EIR, included all practicable means of avoiding adverse environmental impacts. Where avoidance is not possible, Reclamation has committed to the following environmental mitigation measures, where appropriate and necessary, to ensure the protection of environmental resources and to implement the appropriate level of mitigation for impacts resulting from the project. All applicable mitigation measures pertaining to construction of the dam safety features of the Preferred Alternative in the Final EIS/EIR have been adopted in this ROD as environmental commitments. The Environmental Commitments Checklist in Appendix B of this ROD briefly summarizes the following:

- Each of the environmental commitments contained in the JFP as well as Safety of Dams RODs;
- The corresponding impact(s) being mitigated;
- The entity(s) responsible for implementing the mitigation;
- The mitigation implementation and monitoring phase(s);
- The monitoring action(s) or plan(s) to be followed;
• The entity(s) responsible for enforcing mitigation;
• The entity(s) responsible for mitigation monitoring; and
• The compliance completion date.

The Folsom Safety of Dams and Joint Federal Project (SOD/JFP) Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan (MMRP) is under parallel development with the SOD and JFP RODs; specific mitigation and monitoring plans and responsible entities are described in detail in the Folsom SOD/JFP MMRP.

With implementation of Alternative 3, impacts could occur related to excavation, hauling, disposal, and stockpiling of materials, and overlay and jet grouting at MIAD. Mitigation measures proposed in the Final EIS/EIR and carried forward in this SOD ROD are discussed below.

The Central California Area Office (CCAO) Area Manager will establish and facilitate a continuing forum to promote communication, coordination and cooperation among the Partner Agencies and local government throughout the construction of the SOD, FDR and other projects and improvements at the Folsom Facility. The primary objective of this forum will be to facilitate timely completion of all projects on an integrated basis with minimum impact on Reclamation’s continuing obligation to deliver water, generate power and manage and perform related programs and activities.

Hydrology, Water Quality, and Groundwater

The Preferred Alternative will not alter regional hydrology. To reduce potential effects on water quality as a result of (1) increased sedimentation; (2) spills of construction-related chemicals; (3) filling of waters of the state; (4) water source reduction for a portion of the wetlands associated with MIAD, and (5) degradation of surface and groundwater quality due to jet grouting at the downstream foundation of MIAD, the following commitments are incorporated into the project.

1. Reclamation working with its construction contractor will obtain a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit prior to construction activities, commencing by filing a Notice of Intent (NOI) with the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (CVRWQCB) and preparing a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP).

2. Reclamation working with its construction contractor, and in coordination with CCAO, will incorporate measures in the SWPPP to control sediment and on-site spills. In addition to the environmentally friendly Best Management Practices (BMPs that avoid wildlife entrapment issues, such as flexible joint netting), and spill prevention recommended in the FWCAR, the SWPPP will contain a visual
monitoring program as well as a chemical monitoring program for pollutants that are non-visible to be implemented if there is a failure of BMPs.

3. Reclamation will prepare and obtain permits as stated in Sections 401 and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) regarding dredging or filling of waters of the United States, and activities involving discharging into those waters, which include wetlands, respectively.

4. Reclamation will obtain guidance from the CVRWQCB for testing earthen materials before constructing work area platforms within or adjacent to the reservoir. This is to ensure that any potentially-associated pollutants will not be introduced into the reservoir that would violate water quality standards or substantially degrade existing water quality. Fill material will be placed and compacted in the reservoir during periods of lower water elevation, when possible. BMPs will be adhered to in order to minimize water quality impacts during the placement of fill in the reservoir.

5. Reclamation, in conjunction with the construction contractor, will develop a water quality monitoring plan for review by the CVRWQCB prior to any in-reservoir construction work. The plan will address sampling requirements during blasting, excavation, and placement of fill within the reservoir. To address methyl mercury dispersal concerns, turbidity readings will be taken during construction. If turbidity readings exceed action level values established by the CVRWQCB, corrective actions will be implemented in accordance with the plan. As determined by the water quality monitoring plan, routine water samples will be collected at appropriate locations (construction site and downstream of dam), at the start and completion of each blasting period. Assessment of metals in freshwater sediment will be based on recommendations stated in the FWCAR. Sediment containing elevated concentrations of metals including mercury and nickel will be controlled using a variety of methods, including, but not limited to, silt curtains, silt fences, as well as other BMPs and construction methods approved by the CVRWQCB.

6. Reclamation will perform jet grouting tests at MIAD prior to implementing the full jet grouting action, including the monitoring for any grout leakages as well as the testing of groundwater and surface water for impacts to water quality. If the findings of the jet grout test section monitoring indicate that grout leakages are probable, then the Reclamation contractor will be directed to construct a cutoff wall, or provide another suitable solution, before they jet grout the foundation at MIAD. This measure should eliminate the migration of grout that could potentially introduce metals and elevate the pH of water within the project area.
7. As per the FWCAR recommendations, Reclamation in coordination with CCAO, will develop a monitoring and adaptive management plan with the USFWS to monitor the hydrology and vegetation at Mormon Island Preserve. Baseline conditions would be established before construction begins in the area and would continue for six months after construction has been completed. Post construction surveys would monitor for potential changes in wetland hydrology, water quality, and vegetation. If changes in wetland hydrologic function are detected from the baseline condition, Reclamation will implement adaptive management mitigation to return effected systems to baseline conditions considering the long-term conservation of the Mormon Island Preserve.

8. Reclamation will monitor surface and groundwater levels and water quality prior to, during, and after jet grouting of MIAD.

9. Reclamation’s construction contractor will be instructed to cease work should jet grout daylight more than 50 ft from the point of construction or until it can be determined that the grout will remain localized.

10. During the jet grouting program, Reclamation will visually inspect all wetlands near jet grout injection that could be impacted by construction for the presence of grout at a frequency of twice per day.

11. Reclamation’s construction contractor will line all temporary jet grout solidification areas with an impervious material that does not allow the migration of any construction-related wastes.

**Water Supply**
The Safety of Dams actions addressed in this ROD will not have any impacts to existing water supply resources.

**Air Quality**
On March 28, 2007, Reclamation consulted with Region 9 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Regional Officer on general conformity applicability analysis for Clean Air Act compliance. The project in this ROD can conform to the Clean Air Act requirements. Nevertheless, construction of the Preferred Alternative may have potentially significant effects on air quality. These effects may include: (1) increase in stationary source emissions from concrete batch plant(s) and/or materials processing facilities, (2) increase in construction equipment emissions, (3) increase in NOx emissions, and (4) increase in fugitive dust. The following mitigation measures will be implemented by the construction contractor to reduce potential air quality effects and comply with air quality standards.
1. Reclamation (working with its construction contractors as appropriate) will provide a plan for approval by the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD), demonstrating that the heavy-duty (> 50 horsepower) off-road vehicles to be used in the construction project, including owned, leased and subcontractor vehicles, will achieve a project wide fleet-average 20 percent NOx reduction and 45 percent particulate reduction compared to the most recent California Air Resources Board (CARB) fleet average at the time of construction.

2. The construction contractor working under the direction of Reclamation will submit to the SMAQMD a comprehensive inventory of all off-road construction equipment, equal to or greater than 50 horsepower, that will be used an aggregate of 40 or more hours during any portion of the construction project. The inventory shall include the horsepower rating, engine production year, and projected hours of use of fuel throughput for each piece of equipment. The inventory shall be updated and submitted monthly throughout the duration of the project, except that an inventory shall not be required for any 30-day period in which no construction activity occurs. At least 48 hours prior to the use of subject heavy-duty off-road equipment, the Mid-Pacific Construction Office (MPCO) construction engineer shall provide SMAQMD and the CCAO Area Manager with the anticipated construction timeline including start date, and name and phone number of the project manager and on-site foreman.

3. The Preferred Alternative has been demonstrated to meet air quality conformity (de minimus) under current assumptions regarding construction schedule and equipment. Should the construction schedule change or the contractor require use of equipment comprising an inventory different from that used to in the assessment of general conformity, the contractor shall conduct a full conformity analysis, based on those changes, to verify that the schedule and/or new equipment stays below de minimus levels. Demonstration of conformity with NOx de minimus threshold levels requires the following information:

- Identification of the fleet of equipment and machines that will be used to construct the project;
- Identification of the engine type, horsepower size, and emission factor for each piece of equipment;
- Identification of the number of hours of operation for each typical work day for each piece of equipment;
- Identification of the number of days the equipment/machine will be used each calendar year;
• Calculation of total emissions by multiplying emission factors by hours of operations for each piece of equipment; and

• Summing all emissions of all machines used for the construction project, both daily and annually.

4. Reclamation working with their construction contractors will apply fugitive dust control on roadways, processing plants, and concrete batch plants to reduce PM\(_{10}\) and PM\(_{2.5}\) emissions at or below required levels. Typical dust mitigation measures may include:

• Wet suppression and soil stabilization;

• Palliative approved by USFWS;

• Wind fencing around active area;

• Paving on-site roadways;

• Truck wheel washing facilities at site exits onto public roadways; and/or

• Maintaining minimum truck bed freeboard or covering haul truck beds.

5. Facility power for the concrete batch plants and rock/material screening facilities will come from the electric utility grid, not diesel-driven generators and pumps. Using grid power eliminates both the gaseous pollutants associated with diesel engines, as well as diesel particulates, which are listed toxic air contaminants in California.

6. In addition to the measures outlined above, the construction contractor will be encouraged to incorporate the following additional control measures as part of off-sets of emissions.

• Reclamation working with their construction contractors will evaluate the use of equipment with engines that incorporate exhaust gas recirculation (EGR) systems. EGR systems may need to be part of the engine design for a substantial portion of the existing construction equipment fleet in the region to be effective. While EGR systems can provide reductions of NOx, PM10, CO, and VOC emissions, the availability of construction equipment with EGR systems will need to be reviewed in detail prior to the final decision to incorporate this option in the Air Quality Management Plan for the Preferred Alternative.
• Reclamation working with their construction contractors will evaluate the installation of a lean NOx catalyst in the engine exhaust system. Lean NOx catalyst filters may be available for construction equipment exhaust. These units would need to be certified by CARB before being installed on specific construction equipment engines. In addition, other add-in exhaust filters are not compatible with aqueous diesel fuel. A detailed review of applicable catalysts and compatibility with different fuels will need to be conducted before a final decision can be made to incorporate this option in the Air Quality Management Plan.

• Construction contractor will be encouraged to accelerate turnover of equipment to decrease emissions to be below 85 pounds per day of NOx.

• Construction contractor will seek opportunities to install electric-driven conveyors on portions of the material haul routes to reduce on-site truck emissions and road dust.

• Construction contractor will seek opportunities to upgrade all off-road equipment to meet Tier 3 standards.

• Construction contractor will look for opportunities to install ARB-verified control devices for off-road diesel engine NOx emissions where the device can be installed in a safe manner and the emissions reduction associated with the installing the device is cost-effective.

Aquatic Resources
Construction of the Preferred Alternative may have several potentially significant effects on aquatic resources. These effects may include: (1) alteration of habitat for protected vernal pool invertebrates or direct impacts to these species and (2) direct or indirect impacts to adjacent wetland ecosystems.

The following mitigation measures will reduce potential effects of construction of the Preferred Alternative on aquatic resources:

1. Reclamation will complete protocol surveys for special-status branchiopods prior to any grading or other construction activities in potential habitat for these species.

2. Reclamation, working with its construction contractor will avoid (preserve) potential vernal pool habitat by placing fencing around a 250-ft buffer area from the vernal pool edge to prevent effects from vehicle compaction and other construction-related activities. For vernal pool habitat that is to be avoided, an approved biologist (monitor) will inspect construction-related activities to ensure
that no unnecessary take or destruction of habitat occurs. The biologist will contact the construction representative who has the authority to stop activities that may result in such take or destruction until corrective measures have been taken. The biologist will also be required to report immediately any unauthorized effects to Reclamation’s CCAO Area Manager and MPCO Construction Engineer, and to the USFWS and California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG).

3. Adverse impacts to Federally listed vernal pool species and their designated habitat in the Folsom DS/FDR footprint will be compensated in a manner outlined in the April 5, 2007 USFWS Biological Opinion and Incidental Take Statement for the project. Any vernal pool habitat that is directly or indirectly affected by the proposed project will be compensated for by purchasing credits at a USFWS-approved conservation bank. Measures to offset the loss of vernal pool crustacean habitat include a 2:1 preservation and 1:1 creation compensation ratio. Per the Biological Opinion, Reclamation shall provide proof of purchase (payment receipts) of vernal pool preservation and creation/restoration credits to the USFWS prior to the commencement of ground-disturbing activities.

4. The uppermost layer of soil in seasonally ponded habitat may contain cysts of vernal pool crustaceans as well as seeds of vernal pool plants. Therefore, before these wetlands are disturbed per the USFWS Biological Opinion, Reclamation will make the top layer of soil available to any vernal pool creation bank that requests it, with the USFWS approval, for inoculating newly created ponds. Soil stockpiled for this purpose shall be shielded from rain with a water-proof cover to ensure that it remains completely dry.

5. To monitor the health of the wetlands downstream of the construction at MIAD, Reclamation will conduct bioassessment studies prior to, during, and after jet grouting of the MIAD foundation.

Terrestrial Vegetation and Wildlife

Construction of the Preferred Alternative may have several potentially significant effects on terrestrial vegetation and wildlife resources. These effects may include: (1) impacts to special-status plant and wildlife species, (2) impacts to protected oak woodlands, (3) increase in sedimentation in streams, creeks, and seasonal wetlands, (4) potential impacts to nesting birds protected by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA), (5) loss of native vegetation, (6) loss and/or disturbance of wetlands and other waters of the U.S., and (7) adverse effects to host plants for the valley elderberry longhorn beetle. The following mitigation measures will reduce potential effects of construction of the Preferred Alternative on terrestrial vegetation and wildlife:
1. Reclamation will employ biologists with appropriate experience and expertise to conduct pre-construction surveys within the project footprint in all areas that may contain suitable habitat for special-status plant, invertebrate, or wildlife species (amphibian, reptile, bird, and mammal). The biologists would identify locations of special status plant, invertebrate, or wildlife species and take necessary measures to provide protection.

2. To the extent consistent with project implementation needs, Reclamation working with its construction contractors will avoid any populations of special-status plant, habitat types (oak-grey pine woodland, chaparral, riparian areas, and seasonal wetlands), invertebrate, or wildlife species by placing fencing around the population and a suitable buffer area. Environmental monitors employed either by Reclamation or its construction contractor will regularly inspect any fenced sensitive biological resources to ensure no disturbance. Special status populations that cannot be avoided will be fully mitigated for per the Biological Opinion.

3. Reclamation will employ qualified biologists (monitors) throughout the construction period to identify any at-risk special-status plant or animal species. The biologist will consult with the appropriate agency and CCAO to remove individuals of special-status species from the project area, according to USFWS and CDFG laws, handling guidelines, licenses, and permits.

4. Reclamation will consult with USFWS, CDFG and coordinate with CCAO, should populations of special-status plant, invertebrate, or wildlife species be found that cannot be avoided; special mitigation measures may need to be developed for those populations.

5. To minimize the potential for incidental take of listed species resulting from project-related activities, the nondiscretionary measures for listed species described in this section from the project’s Biological Opinion must be implemented by the responsible Federal agency. The responsible Federal Agency is required to adhere to the conservation measures described in the Project Description, Terms and Conditions, and Reporting Requirements of the project BO per the Endangered Species Act. The procedures outlined in the Guidelines for the Valley Elderberry Longhorn Beetle (dated July 9, 1999) shall be followed unless otherwise stated below. If the responsible Federal agency fails to ensure compliance with these measures, the protective coverage of the incidental take statement may lapse. The responsible Federal agency will include a copy of the USFWS’ Biological Opinion within its solicitations for construction of the project and provide a copy of these solicitations to the USFWS per the BO. Should project features change from those described in the BO, then re-consultation with the USFWS and CDFG will be required.
6. All construction personnel at the Folsom DS/FDR construction site will receive environmental awareness training from Reclamation biologist(s) associated with the project, or suitably trained representative(s), regarding the potential presence of listed, special-status, and protected (e.g., oak trees) species in the project area and the importance of avoiding impacts to these species and/or habitats and reporting sightings. Special emphasis will be given to the identification of elderberry shrubs and the need to avoid damaging these shrubs and possible penalties of non-compliance. Per the USFWS Biological Opinion, proof of environmental training shall be delivered by Reclamation to the Chief of the Endangered Species Division of the USFWS.

7. To the extent possible, Reclamation will direct its construction contractor to initiate excavation and construction activities during non-breeding seasons for special-status and protected wildlife. Habitat for special status and protected species will be removed during the non-breeding season if practicable to preclude return to the project area by the species during construction activities.

8. To the extent possible, Reclamation will direct its construction contractor to remove vegetation and potential bird breeding habitat in the Folsom DS/FDR project area between September 1 and February 28, when birds are not expected to be nesting within the project area, in order to comply with the MBTA and Executive Order 13186. Impacts to non-breeding birds still may occur between September 1 and February 28, because they are not reproductively constricted to the project area during that period. During the period from March 1 to August 31, bird reproduction is occurring and therefore the potential for impacts to nesting birds exists.

9. For appropriate phases of work, prior to bringing in equipment from other sites, construction contractors will clean all mud, soil, and plant/animal material from the equipment. This will help prevent the importation of plants or animals that are exotic, non-native, or invasive.

10. The Construction contractor will be required to implement eco-friendly erosion and sedimentation control measures (BMPs that avoid wildlife entrapment issues) for all grading, filling, clearing of vegetation, or excavating that occurs as part of site and haul road construction.

11. The construction contractor will be required to minimize dust impacts to vegetation, wetlands, and breeding wildlife. Unpaved access roads will be frequently watered with raw water using a sprayer truck during periods when trucks and other construction vehicles are using the roads, except during periods when precipitation has dampened the soil enough to inhibit dust. The speed limit on unpaved roads in the construction footprint will be reduced appropriately to avoid visible dust. A dust palliative would need to be approved by the USFWS.
12. Reclamation will develop a Revegetation Plan to address potential losses to all habitats impacted within the project footprint. The Plan will specify the native plant and seed mixture for reestablishment of habitats in disturbed areas. The Revegetation Plan will be implemented immediately following construction in accordance with requirements in the SWPPP, FWCAR, and MMRP. The Revegetation Plan will include operations and maintenance (O&M) procedures for all mitigations sites developed for the project. The Revegetation Plan will be developed in coordination with the USFWS.

13. Reclamation will monitor all revegetated or disturbed areas for invasive non-native plant species, particularly star thistle, French broom and pampas grass, for five years following completion of construction, with the assistance of a qualified botanist. If invasive species are becoming established on areas disturbed by project activities during the five year period, invasive species will be removed at times that preclude the plants from setting new seed.

14. Reclamation will follow recommendations in the FWCAR and complete mitigation in the FWCAR for all affected habitats. The extent of the mitigation will be determined and documented in the MMRP prior to commencement of construction activities. Reclamation will develop a Habitat Mitigation Plan as a component of the MMRP that will include O&M procedures for establishing and monitoring the success of mitigation sites. The Habitat Mitigation Plan will address the compensatory mitigation requirements for native oaks-grey pine, riparian, chaparral, wetlands, and elderberry conservation sites. The Plan and procedures will be developed in coordination with USFWS.

15. Reclamation will mitigate for native oaks and oak-grey pine woodlands impacted by construction at the ratio stipulated in the FWCAR.

16. Reclamation will mitigate for riparian vegetation impacted by construction at the ratio stipulated in the FWCAR.

17. Reclamation will mitigate for chaparral vegetation impacted by construction at the ratio stipulated in the FWCAR.

18. Reclamation will mitigate for wetlands impacted by construction at the ratio stipulated in the FWCAR.

19. Reclamation will develop and implement a Bird Monitoring Plan to monitor and mitigate construction-related impacts to birds during the breeding season, in compliance with the MBTA and Executive Order 13186. Mitigation will include, but is not limited to, a nest monitoring zone of an adequate size to avoid or significantly reduce impacts to breeding birds at active construction sites.
Also, methods to either deter nesting or acclimate birds to construction noise and activities will be employed. Also, an appropriate buffer zone around active nests of special status bird species will be implemented. Nest monitoring will be conducted by a qualified and experienced biologist.

20. Reclamation will avoid, minimize, or mitigate for impacts to elderberry shrubs. Where shrubs cannot be avoided for the Folsom DS/FDR action, Reclamation, working with its construction contractor and CCAO, will establish with high visibility fencing prior to construction and maintain a 100-foot buffer zone around all elderberry plants containing stems measuring 1.0 inches or greater in diameter at ground level per the details in the USFWS BO. If shrubs cannot be avoided or fenced at 100’, Reclamation will consult with the USFWS to fence the shrubs at 20’ from the dripline of the shrub. Shrubs that are located within the project action area will be transplanted per the BO. Also, informational signs will be erected every 50 ft along the edge of the avoidance area and maintained throughout the construction period. Firebreaks will not be included in the buffer zone. In addition, the USFWS will be provided with a map identifying avoidance area(s) and written details describing avoidance measures including those in the BO. A biological monitor will be present on site when work will encroach on the elderberry buffer. The USFWS will be consulted before any disturbances within the buffer area occur; any adverse effects to the buffer area will be reported immediately to the USFWS and corrected by restoration and maintenance measures outlined in the BO. After construction is complete, if appropriate, buffer areas will continue to be protected from the adverse effects of the project as per appropriate restoration and maintenance measures outlined in the Biological Opinion.

21. Reclamation, in coordination with the USFWS, will transplant each elderberry plant that cannot be avoided during Folsom DS/FDR construction to a conservation area approved by the USFWS. All elderberry plants containing stems measuring 1.0 inches or greater in diameter at ground level will be transplanted to a conservation area if technically feasible, per the USFWS BO as well as the Valley Elderberry Longhorn Beetle (VELB) conservation guidelines (USFWS 1999). Elderberry shrub transplantation will be completed between November 1, 2007 and February 15, 2008; if transplantation is not completed during this period, Reclamation will re-initiate consultation with USFWS if appropriate. Should the project affect a lesser or greater number of stems than discussed in the BO, then Reclamation will reinitiate consultation with the USFWS.

22. Reclamation will compensate for each elderberry stem measuring 1.0 inch or greater in diameter at ground level that is adversely affected during Folsom DS/FDR construction with elderberry seedlings and associated native plant seedlings in the conservation area, per the Biological Opinion for the Project and
the USFWS 1999 VELB Conservation Guidelines. A minimum survival rate of at least 60 percent of the elderberry plants will be maintained throughout the monitoring period. If survival drops below this level, additional seedlings or cuttings will be planted. Stock for plantings will be obtained from local sources. Compensation shall be completed within six months after construction begins on the project, per the Biological Opinion.

23. CCAO will be responsible for planting native plants associated with elderberry plants at the Folsom DS/FDR Action site, or at similar reference sites, at ratios provided in the BO for the Project. A minimum survival rate of at least 60 percent of the associated native plants must be maintained throughout the monitoring period. If survival drops below this level, additional seedlings or cuttings will be planted. Only stock from local sources will be used.

24. Per the USFWS direction in the April 2007 BO, Reclamation in conjunction with CCAO, will establish a conservation area of no less than 15.91 acres, or an approved conservation bank, distinct from the project area that will be protected in perpetuity as a compensation site for transplanted elderberry plants and associated native vegetation. This area will provide at least 1,800 square feet for each transplanted elderberry plant. An O&M manual will be developed for the site in coordination with USFWS. The condition of the valley elderberry longhorn beetle, elderberry shrubs, and general condition of the conservation area will be monitored per the O&M manual over a period of ten consecutive years or for seven years over a 15-year period occurring on the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, seventh, tenth, and fifteenth years. Fulfillment of compensation requirements shall be delivered to the Chief of the Endangered Species Division of the USFWS, per the April 2007 BO.

25. During jet grouting of the foundation at MIAD, Reclamation will be responsible for delineating wetlands downstream of MIAD using flagging. All wetlands will be fenced with construction fencing to maintain a minimum distance for staging equipment and construction work. A distance of 25’ will be maintained to the extent possible.

26. As per the FWCAR recommendations, Reclamation will develop a monitoring and adaptive management plan with the USFWS to monitor the hydrology and vegetation at Mormon Island Preserve. Baseline conditions would be established before construction begins in the area and would continue during the four years of construction and six months following project completion. Surveys during and post-construction would monitor for potential changes in wetland hydrology, water quality, and vegetation. If changes in wetland hydrologic function are detected from the baseline condition Reclamation will implement adaptive management mitigation to return effected systems to baseline conditions considering the long-term conservation of the Mormon Island Preserve.
Soils, Minerals, and Geological Resources

Construction of the Preferred Alternative may have several potentially significant effects on soils, minerals, and geological resources. These effects may include: (1) asbestos disturbance due to construction activities near D1/D2, MIAD, and Dike 8 and (2) an increase in soil erosion due to construction activities.

The following mitigation measures will reduce potential effects of construction of the Preferred Alternative on soils, minerals, and geological resources:

1. In order to obtain air quality permits from Sacramento and El Dorado Counties, Reclamation will prepare a geologic site characterization report (signed by a California Registered Geologist) and a county approved Dust Mitigation Plan. The geologic site characterization report will be useful for mitigation purposes by identifying areas of naturally-occurring asbestos. The Dust Mitigation Plan will specify the activities and BMPs required to minimize airborne naturally-occurring asbestos. These activities and BMPs are specified in the Airborne Toxic Control Measure regulation as well as the more restrictive county requirements. These include, but are not limited to, the following:

   - Pre-wet work area and keep area sufficiently wet during construction operations. An approved palliative material may also be used to seal loose fibers to the parent material;

   - Limit vehicle access and speed on serpentine and other materials potentially containing asbestos;

   - Cover areas that are exposed to vehicle travel;

   - Material transfers and stockpiles of loose material must be covered, kept adequately wet, or sealed by an approved palliative; and

   - Worker safety precautions and monitoring. Written employee notifications should be provided, notifying employees of the potential health risk and requirements of the asbestos Dust Mitigation Plan (El Dorado County 2003).

Visual Resources

Construction of the Preferred Alternative may affect visual resources with the introduction of color and form changes to the landscape. Visual resource impacts during construction are not mitigable. The restoration of disturbed areas following construction will reduce any form or color impacts due to construction.
Agricultural Resources

Construction of the Preferred Alternative would not affect agricultural resources as there are no agricultural resources within the footprint of the Folsom DS/FDR actions.

Transportation and Circulation

Construction of the Preferred Alternative may have potentially significant effects on transportation and circulation. These effects may include: (1) Level of Service (LOS) deterioration; (2) an Average Daily Traffic (ADT) Increase >2%; (3) and LOS F volume to capacity ratio (V/C) Increase >0.05.

The following mitigation measures will reduce potential effects of construction of the Preferred Alternative on transportation and circulation:

1. In conjunction with the development and review of more detailed project design and construction specifications, Reclamation, including CCAO and the CCAO Area Manager, will prepare a peak hour capacity analysis on specific intersections to evaluate the need for changes to traffic signal timing, phasing modification, provision of additional turn lanes through re-striping or physical improvements, as necessary and appropriate to reduce project-related impacts to an acceptable level. In conjunction with that assessment, the potential need for roadway improvements or operation modifications (i.e., temporary restrictions on turning movements, on-street parking, etc.) to enhance roadway capacity in light of additional traffic from the project will be evaluated. The completion of these evaluations and the identification of specific traffic improvement measures, as deemed necessary and appropriate in light of the temporary nature of impacts, will be coordinated with the transportation departments of the affected jurisdictions.

2. Reclamation, including CCAO and the CCAO Area Manager, working with its construction contractor, will prepare a transportation management plan, outlining proposed routes to be approved by the appropriate local entity, and implement it. High collision intersections will be identified and avoided if possible. Drivers will be informed and trained on the various types of haul routes, and areas that are more sensitive (e.g., high level of residential or education centers, or narrow roadways). To the extent practicable, deliveries will be restricted to non-commute hours.

3. Reclamation, including CCAO and the CCAO Area Manager, working with its construction contractor, will develop and utilize appropriate signage to inform the general public of the haul routes and route changes, if applicable.
Noise

Construction of the Preferred Alternative may have potentially significant effects on noise levels. These effects may include increased night time noise levels as a result of the Folsom DS/FDR activities. The following mitigation measures will reduce potential effects of construction of the Preferred Alternative on noise levels:

1. To comply with applicable noise ordinances, Reclamation will direct its construction contractor to incorporate the appropriate level of sound attenuation on equipment that will attenuate sound at sensitive receptors to comply with local noise ordinances. Potential sound attenuation measures that could be considered include, but are not limited to, temporary sound barriers near the noise source, such as those considered in the impacts analysis relative to BACT for stationary/quasi-stationary equipment, or otherwise placed between the source(s) of construction noise and noise-sensitive receptors, as appropriate.

2. The construction contractor will be responsible for maintaining equipment to comply with noise standards (e.g., exhaust mufflers, acoustically attenuating shields, shrouds, or enclosures).

3. The construction contractor will be required to enclose above-ground conveyor systems in acoustically-treated enclosures.

4. The construction contractor will be required to line or cover hoppers, conveyor transfer points, storage bins and chutes with sound-deadening material.

5. The construction contractor will be required to schedule truck loading, unloading, and hauling operations so as to reduce nighttime noise impacts to comply with local noise ordinances.

6. Reclamation and its construction contractor will schedule blasting to daylight hours only and will adhere to restrictions on blasting as stated per Reclamation’s safety regulations.

7. Blasting vibration monitoring will be implemented as per Reclamation safety guidelines.

8. Reclamation, with its construction contractor, will examine any properties, structures and conditions where complaints of damages have been filed. Inspections will be performed within three weeks of rock excavation and blasting work.

Cultural Resources

Reclamation completed cultural resources inventories within the proposed and final area of potential effects (APE) for the Folsom Dam DS/JFP Projects. As engineering
and design efforts focused the footprint of proposed impact areas, the potential to adversely affect historic properties was reduced. In March 2007, pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), Reclamation initiated consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) for the Preferred Alternative. At present, Folsom Dam (including the adjacent RWD and LWD) is the sole historic property identified within the APE.

Reclamation has determined that the other cultural resources within the APE, the Folsom Lake Dikes and three historic sites, are not eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. Reclamation has concluded that implementation of the Preferred Alternative will result in no adverse effect to Folsom Dam. The documentation for these determinations is in the final stages of preparation and Reclamation will submit the documentation package to SHPO once it is complete and seek their concurrence.

Reclamation’s responsibility to comply with section 106 of the NHPA will be complete once the State Historic Preservation Officer concurs with these determinations. If SHPO does not concur, Reclamation will consult with SHPO to resolve the disagreement and, if necessary, develop a memorandum of agreement to mitigate any unforeseen adverse effects. Reclamation is required to complete the section 106 process prior to the award of any construction contract for the proposed project.

If human remains are discovered during project implementation, procedures outlined in Reclamation’s Directives and Standards for the Inadvertent Discovery of Human Remains on Reclamation Lands (LND 07-01) will be followed. The discovery of Native American human remains is subject to the provisions of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act and regulations found at 43 CFR Part 10.

The standard contract specifications contain directions to follow in the unlikely event of the discovery of other cultural resources during the construction phase of this project. Any such discovery will also be considered under the provisions of 36 CFR Part 800.13.

Construction of the Preferred Alternative may have potentially significant effects on cultural resources. These effects may include: (1) adverse impacts to historic properties and/or historical resources, (2) adverse impacts to previously unknown historic properties and/or historical resources, and (3) adverse impacts upon previously undiscovered and potential historic properties and/or historical resources within the area of the increased reservoir elevation, and locations of new embankment, or footprints of construction work at existing Folsom Facilities.
Land Use, Planning, and Zoning

There will be no changes to land use under the Preferred Alternative for the Folsom DS/FDR actions.

Recreation

The public will have nearly continuous access to main recreation facilities at Folsom Lake throughout the construction period. However, construction of the Preferred Alternative will temporarily impact recreational opportunities at Folsom Point and Beal’s Point during construction or modification of roads, grade separation facilities and related features for purposes of providing continuous access. Although not anticipated, other more extended closures may be necessary as a result of unforeseen project circumstances. Trails associated with Folsom Point and Beal’s Point may also be interrupted. Effects may include: (1) occasional temporary loss of recreational use (2) periodic interruptions to recreation at Beal’s Point due to construction traffic, (3) loss of recreational use on trails at Beal’s Point, and (4) lost recreation on the Folsom Point-Brown’s Ravine Trail. Reclamation, in coordination with CCAO, will implement the following mitigation measures to reduce potential effects on recreation:

1. All construction-related damages to recreation facilities including improved trails will be replaced in kind by Reclamation in accordance with agency policies and guidance.

2. Reclamation in coordination with CCAO and their recreation managing partner will post signage and public announcements to inform the public of construction activities, and recreation facility closures, and provide instructions as to where alternative access to Folsom Lake will be possible. The selected alternative is to construct a grade separation at Folsom Point. Traffic will be separated either through a tunnel that creates a grade separation or via a controlled, secured intersection with a flag person or other engineered mechanism. In any case, the public will have continuous access to Folsom Point during the construction period. The public access entrances at Beal’s Point will be reconstructed as necessary to allow concurrent construction traffic and public access. This will significantly reduce the impacts on the recreation facilities.

3. To the extent practicable, material processing and batch operations will be consolidated at the Overlook and LWD areas. Any necessary borrow or staging areas at or near Beal’s Point, Folsom Point or other developed recreation areas will be sited as far away as practicable from parking lots, boat launches, beaches, picnic areas and other facilities in order to minimize recreation impacts, as determined by Reclamation. When a material processing or stockpiling cannot be located sufficiently distant from developed recreation areas, appropriate measures would be taken for noise and safety considerations.
4. Reclamation will ensure that sites used for borrow development, staging and construction activities will be re-contoured by the constructing contractor, as appropriate, to pre-construction conditions, or to contours which do not pose a safety hazard.

5. Reclamation will include in the plans and specifications, as appropriate, details necessary to ensure that the entrance stations at Folsom Point and Beal’s Point will meet public safety and traffic requirements during construction. The measures will provide nearly continuous access to all recreation sites at Folsom Reservoir through grade separation, detours, traffic controls, reconfiguration of roadways, or other actions.

6. Reclamation, including CCAO and the CCAO Area Manager, will ensure that construction activities and any temporary or more extended closures will be scheduled to minimize impacts during peak recreation use periods, holidays, and special events so as to allow public access to the extent practical.

7. Reclamation, including the construction contractor, CCAO, and the CCAO Area Manager, will develop a traffic management plan for all public roads and trails within the recreation areas where both public and construction traffic occur. The plan would include measures such as flagmen and appropriate signage. The traffic plan would be submitted to the appropriate entities, or included in the Plans and Specifications for construction. An appropriate mile per hour speed limit would be imposed in all public areas close to construction. Construction crews and traffic will utilize internal haul routes, to the extent practical. The construction contractor will finalize and comply with the plan.

8. Reclamation working with CCAO and their managing recreation partner will identify suitable detours, with appropriate signage, for any bike, equestrian, or pedestrian trails that are interrupted by construction, per agency guidance and policy. Public service announcements would also be distributed and posted to inform the public of route changes. Where possible to ensure public safety, the recreational trails affected by the truck traffic will be relocated to allow the trails to stay open during construction.

9. Reclamation will consult with CCAO and the CCAO Area Manager on any proposal for more extended closures due to unforeseen project circumstances. CCAO, working with the City of Folsom and other local municipalities, will notify the public and provide the opportunity for public input prior to any extended closure.
Public Services and Utilities

Construction of the Preferred Alternative may have potentially significant effects on public services and utilities. These effects may include: (1) the relocation of electricity infrastructure, (2) a need for electricity to power processing and concrete batch plants, (3) the relocation of existing water and wastewater infrastructure, (4) an increase in solid waste, (5) a potential increase in emergency response times to the Folsom Facility, and (6) the relocation of telecommunication infrastructure.

The following mitigation measures will reduce potential effects of construction of the Preferred Alternative on public services and utilities:

1. Reclamation, including CCAO and the CCAO Area Manager, working with its construction contractor, will coordinate with utility companies and other relevant agencies before construction to locate existing utilities and avoid damage. Reclamation will avoid the relocation of utilities whenever possible and will provide notification of any potential interruptions in services to the appropriate agencies.

2. Reclamation, including CCAO and CCAO Area Manager, working with its construction contractor and local power utility will stage utility relocations to minimize interruptions in service.

3. The construction contractor will be instructed to select licensed landfills with adequate capacity to receive the wastes.

4. The construction contractor will be instructed to recycle construction wastes whenever possible.

5. The construction contractor will be directed to dispose of hazardous wastes at licensed hazardous waste facilities.

6. Prior to construction, Reclamation with its construction contractor will consult with local police, fire, CCAO and CCAO Area Manager, and CDPR staff to develop and implement emergency response plans and establish emergency vehicle routes.

Hydropower

The Folsom DS/FDR actions will not change current power operations; therefore, there will be no changes to hydropower under the Preferred Alternative.

Population and Housing

The Folsom DS/FDR actions will not require new housing construction; therefore, there will be no effects to population and housing under the Preferred Alternative.
Public Health and Safety

Implementation of the Preferred Alternative may have potentially significant effects on public health and safety. These effects may include: (1) an increase in hazards by the placement of construction equipment in waterways, roadways, or other areas potentially accessible by park visitors, (2) an increase in the risk of fire, (3) health and safety effects to workers from exposed buried chemical materials, and (4) exposure of hazardous materials to workers.

The following mitigation measures will reduce potential effects of construction of the Preferred Alternative on public health and safety:

1. A Public Safety Management Plan will be prepared and implemented in coordination with CCAO to maintain public safety during all phases of construction. Components of the plan will address:

   • Public notification of the location and duration of construction activities, pedestrian/bicycle path/trail closures, and restrictions on reservoir use (i.e., boating, water skiing, fishing, swimming);

   • Verification with local jurisdictions that construction blockage of existing roadways will not interfere with existing emergency evacuation plans;

   • Adequate signage regarding the location of construction sites and warning of the presence of construction equipment;

   • Fencing of construction staging areas and of construction areas if dangerous conditions exist when construction is not occurring; and

   • Temporary walkways (with appropriate markings, barriers, and signs to safely separate pedestrians from vehicular traffic) and detour signage where an existing sidewalk or pedestrian/bicycle path/trail will be closed during construction.

2. Prior to initiating construction activities, Reclamation in consultation with CCAO and the CCAO Area Manager and the appropriate city, county and State fire suppression agencies will prepare and implement a Fire Management Plan. The plan will include fire prevention and response methods including fire precaution, pre-suppression, and suppression measures consistent with the policies and standards in the affected jurisdictions.

3. The construction contractor will prepare and implement a Worker Health and Safety Plan prior to the start of construction activities that will, at a minimum, identify:
• All contaminants that could be encountered during excavation activities (e.g., potential for asbestos, TPH in soil);

• All appropriate worker, public health, and environmental protection equipment and procedures;

• Emergency response procedures;

• Most direct route to a hospital; and

• Site Safety Officer.

4. Prior to initiation of construction activities, the construction contractor will be required to prepare a Hazardous Material Management Plan for review by Reclamation. The purpose of this plan is to have an established plan of action if hazardous materials are encountered during construction and to establish BMPs to reduce the potential for exposure to hazardous wastes. The plan will:

• Define a protocol for proper handling and disposal of hazardous materials if they are encountered during construction,

• Define a protocol for proper emergency procedures and handling and disposal of hazardous materials if an accidental spill occurs during construction, and

• Establish BMPs to reduce the potential for spills of Hazardous, Toxic, and Radioactive Wastes (HTRW).

Typical BMPs to reduce the potential for spills may include, but are not limited to:

• Have a spill prevention and control plan with a designated supervisor to oversee and enforce proper spill prevention measures;

• Provide spill response and prevention education for employees and subcontractors;

• Stocking appropriate clean-up materials onsite near material storage, unloading and use areas;

• Designate hazardous waste storage areas away from storm drains or watercourses;

• Minimize production or generation of hazardous materials onsite or substituting chemicals used onsite with less hazardous chemicals;
• Designate areas for construction vehicle and equipment maintenance and fueling with appropriate control measures for run-on and runoff; and

• Arrange for regular hazardous waste removal to minimize onsite storage.

5. The construction contractor will be directed to use, as appropriate, blasting mats to cover blasts in order to minimize the possibility of fly rock.

Indian Trust Assets
There are no Indian Trust Assets within the Folsom DS/FDR project footprint.

Environmental Justice
The Folsom DS/FDR actions will not cause disproportional adverse human health or environmental impacts to low income or minority populations.

VII. Supplemental Environmental Documentation
There are several actions that had insufficient engineering details at the time of release of the Folsom DS/FDR EIS/EIR. Supplemental environmental documentation may be necessary in order for the project to meet NEPA/CEQA disclosure requirements. In addition, consultation with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's National Marine Fisheries Service and the USFWS will occur as needed, once action details are known.

• Any unforeseen impacts. In the event that unforeseen impacts to the human environment should arise due to construction of the JFP auxiliary spillway, additional supplemental environmental documentation will be provided. An example includes the possibility of a temporary or permanent traffic light at Dike 5 for construction access to Dikes 4, 5, and 6, RWD, and Beal’s Point.

• Folsom Reoperations. Under a separate process from the Folsom DS/FDR actions, an analysis of environmental effects due to changes in operations of the Folsom Facility will be addressed in a subsequent environmental document.

• Grade Separation Activities. Grade separation activities at Beal’s Point could occur to maintain access for recreational activities. Currently, a technique for grade separation, including the route and alignment are not known. Supplemental NEPA/CEQA documentation may be necessary to evaluate environmental impacts of grade separation actions.

• Haul Routes. Realignment of haul routes or the addition of new haul routes may require supplemental NEPA documentation and consultation with the USFWS.
• **Auxiliary Spillway Stilling Basin.** Construction of the final spillway design may require consultation with one or more regulatory agencies as well as permits for in-water work.
Appendix A
Comments on the Folsom DS/FDR
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Appendix A - Comments on the Folsom DS/FDR Final EIS/EIR

The Final Folsom DS/FDR EIS/EIR was released for a 30-day review period on March 30, 2007. Comments received during the 30 days that were originally responded to in the Final EIS/EIR were not summarized in Appendix A. Comments received on the dam raise will be addressed in the ROD for the dam raise.

Five sets of comments were received during the review period. Because the Final EIS/EIR addressed four projects that have interrelated features and the commenters did not specify which project their comment pertains to, Reclamation has separated the comments for each project. The comments related to the Safety of Dams project work received are summarized below. Comments Specific to the Joint Federal Project work are summarized in Appendix A of the JFP ROD.

Many of the comments received did not raise substantive issues, or new issues that have not been addressed in the Final Folsom DS/FDR EIS/EIR, therefore, no additional response is provided to those comments.

The comments that were not addressed in the EIS/EIR are summarized below:

1. Seismic earthquake loadings – the commenter requested information on the design earthquake used to determine the stability of the dam and improvements.
   
   Response: Information provided to commenter.

2. MIAD engineering study – the commenter requested information regarding the stability of the foundation of MIAD.
   
   Response: Information provided to commenter.

3. Dust control suggestion – the commenter suggested using spray irrigation in lieu of water trucks to control fugitive dust.
   
   Response: Alternative methods of dust control have been considered. The most appropriate methods will be used based upon specific site locations.

4. Mooney Ridge construction activities – the commenters are concerned about construction proximity and request that the Mooney Ridge area not be used for borrow, project staging, hauling or other project uses.
Response: The project will be implemented to avoid, minimize or reduce impacts to the Mooney Ridge area.

5. The City of Folsom would like clarifications on impacts to wildlife from night work, in particular, lights and noise.

Response: In general site preparation for construction will take place in highly disturbed areas with minimal impacts to wildlife.

6. The City of Folsom requested that an arborist be available throughout construction period to minimize impacts to trees.

Response: This is a normal Reclamation requirement for this type of a construction project.
Appendix B
Environmental Commitments Checklist
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Reclamation and the Corps (as applicable) have adopted the mitigation measures outlined in Section V of the ROD that are within their respective responsibilities to implement as binding conditions of approval. Project-specific mitigation measures will be implemented as part of design development of the project, during project construction, and/or after completion of construction of the project. These mitigation measures have been described in the Folsom Dam Safety/Flood Damage Reduction (DS/FDR) Final EIS/EIR, dated March 2007.

Under NEPA, the ROD must identify the proposed monitoring and enforcement program for each mitigation measure (40 CFR Section 1505.2(c)). The Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations for NEPA state that, “Agencies may provide for monitoring to assure that their decisions are carried out and should do so in important cases. Mitigation and other conditions established in the environmental impact statement or during its review and committed as part of the decision shall be implemented by the lead agency or other appropriate consenting agency. The lead agency shall:

(a) Include appropriate conditions in grants, permits or other approvals.

(b) Condition funding of actions on mitigation.

(c) Upon request, inform cooperating or commenting agencies on progress in carrying out mitigation measures which they have proposed and which were adopted by the agency making the decision.

(d) Upon request, make available to the public the results of relevant monitoring” (40 CFR Section 1505.3).

Although none of the actions proposed under the Safety of Dams (SOD) and Joint Federal Project (JFP) RODs will be implemented by a State agency, approvals and permits from State agencies will be necessary for some construction actions. Consequently, commitments in these RODs include measures to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Section 21081.6 of CEQA requires public agencies to adopt a reporting and monitoring program for the changes to the project that have been adopted to mitigate or avoid significant effects on the environment. A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) is implemented to ensure that a project complies with all environmental commitments and mitigation measures proposed in its Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) or Environmental Impact Report (EIR), and as adopted in the project’s ROD.

This Environmental Commitments Checklist (ECC), which provides an overview of the Folsom SOD/JFP MMRP, contains the elements required by NEPA and CEQA for the Folsom SOD and JFP actions. The ECC briefly summarizes the following:
A summary of the environmental commitment statement for each measure contained in the JFP as well as Safety of Dams RODs,

- The corresponding impact(s) being mitigated,
- The entity(s) responsible for implementing the mitigation,
- The time frame for the mitigation implementation and monitoring phase(s),
- The monitoring action(s), plan(s), and/or regulations to be followed,
- The entity(s) responsible for enforcing mitigation,
- The entity(s) responsible for monitoring adherence to the mitigation requirement, and
- The compliance completion date (note this column will be completed at the time the mitigation measure is successful or no longer needed).

The ECC identifies Reclamation’s and the Corps’ (as applicable) mitigation and monitoring commitments as part of these agencies’ responsibilities related the Folsom JFP, SOD, and Security Upgrade Project actions. Reclamation is the responsible Federal agency for impacts and all corresponding mitigation related to construction of the JFP Auxiliary Spillway, SOD, and Security Upgrade Project actions with the exception that the Corps is the responsible Federal agency for impacts and corresponding permits related to its efforts leading to the construction of the JFP Auxiliary Spillway control structure that addressed the flood damage reduction portion of the JFP. Environmental commitments for additional flood damage reduction construction activities, including the 3.5-ft raise and emergency spillway gate replacements, will be addressed separately by the Corps.

The Folsom SOD/JFP MMRP is under parallel development with the SOD and JFP RODs; specific mitigation and monitoring plans and responsible entities will be described in detail in the Folsom SOD/JFP MMRP. The purpose of the Folsom SOD/JFP MMRP is to provide sufficient detail for each measure, as described in the Final EIS/EIR and adopted in the ROD, to ensure successful mitigation of significant adverse environmental impacts resulting from the project. The MMRP will also provide feedback to agency staff and decision makers about the effectiveness of the mitigation measures and will help to identify the need for action before irreversible environmental damage occurs. Specifically, the intent of this program is to:

- Provide guidance to document and implement the required mitigation;
- Identify the agency(s) responsible for monitoring/reporting;
- Identify the frequency and duration of monitoring/reporting;
- Establish a record of the monitoring/reporting; and
• Ensure compliance with those mitigation measures that are within the responsibility of Reclamation and/or the Corps to implement.
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<td>1: Obtain a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit, file a Notice of Intent (NOI) with the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (CVRWQCB), and prepare a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP).</td>
<td>Potential water quality impacts within the reservoir or small local tributaries that discharge into the reservoir.</td>
<td>Reclamation/Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work Corps/Contractor for Phase 3 spillway work</td>
<td>Before, during and following construction until site restoration</td>
<td>NPDES Permit requirements, SWPPP and Water Quality Monitoring Plan, Plans and Specifications</td>
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<td>2: Incorporate SWPPP measures to control sediment and on-site spills, use eco-friendly Best Management Practices (BMPs) and prevent spills. If there is a failure of BMPs, the SWPPP will contain provisions for a visual monitoring program and a chemical monitoring program for pollutants that are non-visible.</td>
<td>Potential impacts on drainageways and waterways.</td>
<td>Reclamation/Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work Corps/Contractor for Phase 3 spillway work</td>
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<td>3: Prepare and obtain permits abided by as stated in Section 401 and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (CWA).</td>
<td>Potential impacts on water quality due to soil erosion associated with material being excavated and placed in reservoir. Loss of wetlands.</td>
<td>Reclamation obtains guidance</td>
<td>Contractor implements BMPs</td>
<td>Before and during placement of fill below typical maximum reservoir water level</td>
<td>Water Quality Monitoring Plan, Plans and Specifications</td>
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<td>4: Obtain guidance from the CVRWQCB for testing earthen materials before constructing work area platforms within or adjacent to the reservoir. BMPs will be adhered to in order to minimize water quality impacts during the placement of fill in the reservoir.</td>
<td>Potential impacts to water quality from stockpiling of materials in reservoir.</td>
<td>In-reservoir construction work could cause adverse water quality effects.</td>
<td>Reclamation develops plan Contractor implements BMPs Reclamation/Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work Corps/Contractor for Phase 3 spillway work</td>
<td>Before and during all construction work</td>
<td>Water Quality Monitoring Plan, FWCAR, Plans and Specifications</td>
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<td>5: Develop a Water Quality Monitoring Plan for review by the CVRWQCB prior to any in reservoir construction work. The plan will address sampling requirements during dredging, blasting, excavation, and placement of fill within the reservoir. Assessment of metals in freshwater sediment will be based on recommendations stated in the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act Report (FWCAR). Sediment containing elevated concentrations of metals will be controlled using BMPs and construction methods approved by the CVRWQCB.</td>
<td>Potential to impact water quality from construction of the approach channel.</td>
<td>Corpo obtains permit Contractor implements BMPs for Phase 3 spillway work</td>
<td>Before and during approach channel construction work</td>
<td>Water Quality permit, Plans and Specifications</td>
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<td>6: Obtain a dewatering permit from CVRWQCB and implement water quality monitoring during construction of the approach channel.</td>
<td>Potential to impact water quality from construction of the approach channel.</td>
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<td>During and immediately following jet grouting</td>
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<td>7: Perform jet grouting tests at Mormon Island Auxiliary Dam (MIAD) prior to implementing the full jet grouting action. If leakages are expected to occur and could cause adverse water quality effects, a cutoff wall will be constructed before jet grouting occurs at MIAD.</td>
<td>Potential to impact water quality and water levels downstream of MIAD.</td>
<td>Reclamation/Construction Contractor</td>
<td>Before, during, and 6 months following jet grouting</td>
<td>Environmental Commitments Plan, FWCAR, Plans and Specifications</td>
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<td>8: Monitor surface and groundwater levels and water quality prior to, during, and after jet grouting of MIAD.</td>
<td>Potential to reduce the water source and quality and result in adverse water quality effects for the wetlands downstream of MIAD.</td>
<td>Reclamation/Construction Contractor</td>
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<td>9: Cease work should jet grout daylight more than 50 ft from the point of construction or until it can be determined that the grout will remain localized.</td>
<td>Potential to impact water quality downstream of MIAD.</td>
<td>Reclamation/Construction Contractor</td>
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<td>10: Inspect all wetlands near jet grout injection that could be impacted by construction for the presence of grout at a frequency of once per hour.</td>
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<td>1: Construct a temporary bypass using means that will not disrupt water supply. These means will be discussed with the affected parties prior to implementation.</td>
<td>Potential interruption of water supplies to local surveyors from relocation of Natomas Pipeline.</td>
<td>Reclamation/Construction Contractor</td>
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<td>1: Submit a plan for approval by Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD), demonstrating that the heavy-duty off-road vehicles will achieve a project wide fleet-average 20 percent NOx reduction and 45 percent particulate reduction.</td>
<td>Potential adverse air quality impacts from construction activities.</td>
<td>Reclamation/Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work</td>
<td>Submittal prior to initiation of construction</td>
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<td>2: Submit to the SMAQMD a comprehensive inventory of all off-road construction equipment, equal to or greater than 50 horsepower, that will be used an aggregate of 40 or more hours during any portion of the construction project. At least 48 hours prior to the use of subject heavy-duty off-road equipment, submit to SMAQMD the anticipated construction timeline.</td>
<td>Potential adverse air quality impacts from construction activities.</td>
<td>Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work</td>
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<td>4: Apply fugitive dust control on roadways, processing plants, and concrete batch plants to reduce PM10 and PM2.5 emissions at or below required levels.</td>
<td>Potential adverse air quality impacts from construction activities.</td>
<td>Reclamation/Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work</td>
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<td>5: Obtain power for the concrete batch plants and rock/material screening facilities from the electric utility grid, not diesel-driven generators and pumps.</td>
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<td>6: Encourage contractors to seek additional control measures as part of emissions off-sets.</td>
<td>Potential adverse air quality impacts from construction activities.</td>
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<td>1: Complete protocol surveys for special-status brachiopods prior to any grading or other construction activities in potential habitat for these species.</td>
<td>Potential impacts on habitat for protected vernal pool invertebrates or direct impacts to these species.</td>
<td>Reclamation</td>
<td>Prior to construction</td>
<td>Environmental Commitments Plan</td>
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<td>2: Avoid (preserve) and monitor potential vernal pool habitat by placing fencing and a suitable buffer area around the vernal pool area to prevent effects from vehicle compaction and other construction-related activities. Report and stop activities that may result in such take or destruction until corrective measures have been taken.</td>
<td>Potential impacts on habitat for protected vernal pool invertebrates or direct impacts to these species.</td>
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<td>3: Compensate for loss of vernal pool habitat in a manner outlined in the USFWS Biological Opinion for the project. Provide proof of purchase (payment receipts) of vernal pool preservation and creation/restoration credits to the USFWS prior to the commencement of ground-disturbing activities.</td>
<td>Potential impacts on habitat for protected vernal pool invertebrates or direct impacts to these species.</td>
<td>Reclamation</td>
<td>Prior to construction</td>
<td>Habitat Mitigation Plan, Environmental Commitments Plan</td>
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<td>4: Make the top layer of soil available to any vernal pool creation bank that requests it, with USFWS approval, for inoculating newly created ponds.</td>
<td>Potential impacts on habitat for protected vernal pool invertebrates or direct impacts to these species.</td>
<td>Reclamation/Construction Contractor</td>
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<td>5: Develop and implement a fish removal plan prior to construction of the approach channel.</td>
<td>Construction of the approach channel would displace and potentially harm fish.</td>
<td>Corps</td>
<td>Before and during construction</td>
<td>Approach Channel Dewatering Permit, Fish Management Plan</td>
<td>CDFG, CVRWQCB</td>
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<td>6: Conduct bioassessment studies prior to, during, and after jet grouting of the MIAD Foundation.</td>
<td>Potential impacts to wetlands.</td>
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<td>Prior to, during, and 4 years following jet grouting</td>
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<td>1: Conduct pre-construction surveys within the project footprint in all areas that may contain suitable habitat for special-status plant, invertebrate, or wildlife species. Identify locations of special status plant, invertebrate, or wildlife species and take necessary measures to protect.</td>
<td>Potential alteration of terrestrial habitat for special-status plants, invertebrates, or wildlife species.</td>
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<td>2: Avoid and monitor any populations of special-status plant, invertebrate, or wildlife species by placing fencing around the population and a suitable buffer area. Ensure no disturbance.</td>
<td>Potential impacts to special-status plants, invertebrates, or wildlife species.</td>
<td>Reclamation/Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work</td>
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<td>3: During the construction period, consult with the appropriate agency to remove individuals of special-status species from the project area, according to USFWS and CDFG laws, handling guidelines, licenses, and permits.</td>
<td>Potential impacts to special-status plants, invertebrates, or wildlife species.</td>
<td>Reclamation/Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work</td>
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<td>4: Consult with USFWS and CDFG should populations of special-status plant, invertebrate, or wildlife species be found that cannot be avoided; special mitigation measures may need to be developed for those populations.</td>
<td>Potential impacts to special-status plants, invertebrates, or wildlife species.</td>
<td>Construction Contractor needs to inform Reclamation in Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work</td>
<td>Prior to and during construction</td>
<td>Environmental Commitment Plan, FWCAR</td>
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<td>5: The nondiscretionary measures for listed species from the project’s Biological Opinion described in the Environmental Commitments section of the ROD must be implemented by the responsible Federal agency. (See Environmental Commitments for Terrestrial Vegetation and Wildlife 20, 21, 22, 23, and 24 as well as Aquatic 1, 2, 3, and 4.) Should project features change from those described in the BO, then the responsible Federal agency will be required to re-consult with the USFWS.</td>
<td>Potential alteration and loss of terrestrial habitat or impacts to special-status plants, invertebrates, or wildlife species.</td>
<td>Reclamation/Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work</td>
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<td>6: Conduct environmental awareness training for all on-site construction personnel regarding the potential presence of listed, special-status, and protected (e.g., oak trees) species in the project area and the importance of avoiding impacts to these species and/or habitats and reporting sightings. Provide the USFWS with proof of environmental training.</td>
<td>Potential alteration and loss of terrestrial habitat or impacts to special-status plants, invertebrates, or wildlife species.</td>
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<td>7: Initiate excavation and construction activities, to the extent possible, during non-breeding seasons for special-status and protected wildlife. Habitats will be removed during the non-breeding season if it is practicable to preclude return to the project area by the species during construction activities.</td>
<td>Potential impacts to special status wildlife habitat during construction activities.</td>
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<td>8: Remove vegetation and potential bird breeding habitat, to the extent practical, between September 1 and February 28, when birds are not expected to be nesting within the project area.</td>
<td>Potential impacts to bird breeding habitat during construction activities.</td>
<td>Reclamation</td>
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<td>Environmental Commitment Plan, MBTA, Executive Order 13186</td>
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<td>9: Clean all mud, soil, and plant/animal material from the equipment prior to bringing it on the project site.</td>
<td>Impact of importation of non-native plants or animals.</td>
<td>Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work</td>
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<td>10: Implement eco-friendly erosion and sedimentation control measures for all grading, filling, clearing of vegetation, or excavating that occurs as part of site and haul road construction.</td>
<td>Potential impacts to special-status plants, invertebrates, or wildlife species.</td>
<td>Reclamation/Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work</td>
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<td>11: Minimize dust impacts to vegetation, wetlands, and breeding wildlife. Use dust palliative approved by the USFWS. Control truck speed to avoid visible dust.</td>
<td>Potential impacts to special-status plants, invertebrates, or wildlife species and habitats.</td>
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<td>12: Develop a Revegetation Plan in coordination with USFWS to address potential losses to all habitats impacted within the project footprint.</td>
<td>Potential alteration or loss of habitat for special-status plants, invertebrates, or wildlife species.</td>
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<td>13: Monitor all revegetated or disturbed areas for invasive non-native plant species for three to five years following completion of construction.</td>
<td>Impact of competition by invasive non-native plants.</td>
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<td>14: Follow recommendations in the FWCAR and complete mitigation in the FWCAR for all affected habitats. The extent of mitigation will be determined and documented in the MMRP prior to the commencement of construction activities.</td>
<td>Potential alteration or loss of habitat or impacts to special-status plants, invertebrates, or wildlife species.</td>
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<td>15: Compensate for native oaks and oak-grey pine woodlands impacted by construction at the ratio stipulated in the FWCAR.</td>
<td>Potential alteration or loss of native oaks and oak-grey pine woodlands.</td>
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<td>18: Compensate for wetlands impacted by construction at the ratio stipulated in the FWCAR.</td>
<td>Loss of wetlands from construction-related activities.</td>
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<td>19. Develop and implement a bird Monitoring Plan to monitor and mitigate construction-related impacts to birds during the breeding season. Nest monitoring will be conducted by a biologist qualified and experienced in such methods. Establish a nest buffer zone; implement acoustic hazing.</td>
<td>Potential impacts to breeding birds during construction activities.</td>
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<td>20. Establish with high visibility fencing around all elderberry plants containing stems measuring 1.0 inches or greater in diameter at ground level prior to construction and maintain a 100-foot buffer zone. Informational signs will be erected every 50 ft along the edge of the buffer. Provide the USFWS with a map identifying avoidance area(s) and written details describing avoidance measures. Consult with USFWS before any disturbances within the buffer area can occur; report any adverse effects to the buffer area to the USFWS. Restore and maintain affected area.</td>
<td>Potential impacts to host plants for the valley elderberry longhorn beetle.</td>
<td>Reclamation/Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work</td>
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<td>21. Transplant each elderberry plant that cannot be avoided during Folsom SOD/JFP construction to a conservation area approved by USFWS. Should the project affect a lesser or greater number of stems than discussed in the Biological Opinion, then Reclamation will reinstate consultation with the USFWS.</td>
<td>Potential impacts to host plants for the valley elderberry longhorn beetle.</td>
<td>Reclamation</td>
<td>Prior to construction and following transplanting</td>
<td>Habitat Mitigation Plan, Biological Opinion, VELB Conservation Guidelines</td>
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<td>22. Compensate for each elderberry stem measuring 1.0 inch or greater in diameter at ground level that is adversely affected during Folsom SOD/JFP construction with elderberry seedlings and associated native plant seedlings in the conservation area Compensation shall be completed within six months after construction begins on the project.</td>
<td>Potential impacts to host plants for the valley elderberry longhorn beetle.</td>
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<td>23. Plant native plants associated with elderberry plants at the Folsom SOD/JFP actions, or at similar reference sites.</td>
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<td>24. Establish a conservation area distinct from the project area that will be protected in perpetuity as a compensation site for transplanted elderberry plants and associated native vegetation. Provide at least 1,800 square feet for each transplanted elderberry plant Monitor for a period of up to 15 years. Deliver to the Chief of the Endangered Species Division of the USFWS, fulfillment of compensation requirements.</td>
<td>Potential impacts to host plants for the valley elderberry longhorn beetle.</td>
<td>Reclamation</td>
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<td>25. Delineate wetlands downstream of MIAD prior to jet grouting using flagging. No equipment will be staged within 25 ft of a wetland, nor will work take place within 25 ft of a wetland.</td>
<td>Potential impacts to wetlands</td>
<td>Reclamation delineates wetlands Construction Contractor avoid wetlands</td>
<td>Prior to and during jet grouting</td>
<td>Habitat Mitigation Plan, Plans and Specifications</td>
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<td>26. Develop a monitoring and adaptive management plan with the USFWS to monitor the hydrology and vegetation at Mormon Island Preserve. Establish baseline and monitor for 6 months following construction. Implement adaptive management mitigation to return effected systems to baseline conditions if necessary.</td>
<td>Potential impacts to wetlands</td>
<td>Reclamation</td>
<td>Prior to, during, and following jet grouting</td>
<td>Habitat Mitigation Plan, FWCAR</td>
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Soils, Minerals, and Geological Resources

1. Prepare a geologic site characterization report (signed by a California Registered Geologist) to address asbestos concerns and a county approved Dust Mitigation Plan. Implement measures in Dust Mitigation Plan. | Potential adverse air quality impacts from construction. | Reclamation prepares report Construction Contractor implements dust plan in Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work Corps’ Construction Contractor implements in Phase 3 spillway work | Prior to and during Construction | Geologic Site Characterization Report, Fugitive Dust Control Plan, Plans and Specifications | Sacramento and El Dorado counties, Reclamation MPCO, Corps | Reclamation CCAO |
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<td>2. Comply with Hydrology, Water Quality, and Groundwater Measure #1.</td>
<td>Potential sedimentation impacts within the reservoir or small local tributaries that discharge into the reservoir.</td>
<td>Reclamation/Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work Corps/Construction Contractor for Phase 3 spillway work</td>
<td>Before, during and following construction until site restoration</td>
<td>NPDES Permit requirements, SWPPP and Water Quality Monitoring Plan, Plans and Specifications</td>
<td>CVRWQCB</td>
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#### Visual Resources
- None.

#### Agricultural Resources
- None.

#### Transportation and Circulation

1. Prepare a Peak Hour Capacity analysis (as a section of a Traffic Management/Circulation Plan) on specific intersections to evaluate the need for traffic improvement measures, in coordination with the transportation departments of the affected jurisdictions.

   - Transportation effects from construction.
   - Reclamation for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work Corps for Phase 3 spillway work
   - Prior to and during construction
   - Traffic Management/Circulation Plan
   - Reclamation MPCO, CCAO, City of Folsom, City of Roseville, Placer County
   - Reclamation CCAO

2. Prepare a transportation management plan, outlining proposed routes to be approved by the appropriate local entity, and implement it. To the extent practicable, deliveries will be restricted to non-commute hours.

   - Transportation effects from construction.
   - Reclamation/Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work Corps/Construction Contractor for Phase 3 spillway work
   - Prior to and during construction
   - Traffic Management/Circulation Plan, Plans and Specifications
   - Reclamation MPCO, CCAO, City of Folsom, City of Roseville, Placer County
   - Reclamation CCAO

3. Develop and utilize appropriate signage to inform the general public of the haul routes and route changes, if applicable.

   - Transportation effects from construction.
   - Reclamation/Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work Corps/Construction Contractor for Phase 3 spillway work
   - Prior to and during construction
   - Traffic Management/Circulation Plan, Plans and Specifications
   - Reclamation MPCO, CCAO, City of Folsom, City of Roseville, Placer County
   - Reclamation CCAO

#### Noise

1. Incorporate the appropriate level of sound attenuation on equipment or near facilities that will attenuate sound at sensitive receptors to comply with local noise ordinances.

   - Noise impacts generated by construction activities.
   - Reclamation/Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work Corps/Construction Contractor for Phase 3 spillway work
   - During construction
   - Noise Monitoring Plan, Plans and Specifications
   - Reclamation MPCO, CCAO
   - Reclamation CCAO

2. Maintain equipment to comply with noise standards (e.g., exhaust mufflers, acoustically attenuating shields, shrouds, or enclosures).

   - Noise impacts generated by construction activities.
   - Construction Contractor
   - All construction
   - Noise Monitoring Plan, Plans and Specifications
   - Reclamation MPCO, Corps
   - Reclamation CCAO

3. Enclose above-ground conveyor systems in acoustically-treated enclosures, if necessary.

   - Noise impacts generated by construction activities.
   - Construction Contractor
   - All construction
   - Noise Monitoring Plan, Plans and Specifications
   - Reclamation MPCO, Corps
   - Reclamation CCAO

4. Line or cover hoppers, conveyor transfer points, storage bins and chutes with sound-deadening material.

   - Noise impacts generated by construction activities.
   - Construction Contractor
   - During construction
   - Noise Monitoring Plan, Plans and Specifications
   - Reclamation MPCO, Corps
   - Reclamation CCAO

5. Schedule truck loading, unloading, and hauling operations so as to reduce nighttime noise impacts to comply with local noise ordinances.

   - Nighttime noise impacts generated by construction activities.
   - Construction Contractor
   - During construction
   - Noise Monitoring Plan, Plans and Specifications
   - Reclamation MPCO, Corps
   - Reclamation CCAO

6. Schedule blasting to daylight hours only and will adhere to restrictions on blasting as stated per Reclamation and Corps' safety regulations.

   - Noise impacts generated by blasting activities.
   - Reclamation/Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work Corps/Construction Contractor for Phase 3 spillway work
   - During blasting periods
   - Noise Monitoring Plan, Plans and Specifications
   - Reclamation MPCO, Corps
   - Reclamation CCAO
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**Impact(s) being mitigated:** Noise impacts generated by blasting activities.
**Project Phase of Mitigation:** Reclamation/Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work.
**Monitoring Action or Plan:** Noise Monitoring Plan, Plans and Specifications.
**Enforcement Responsibility:** Reclamation MPCO, Corps.

#### Cultural Resources

1. **Potential impacts to historic properties and/or historical resources:** Reclamation.
   - **Implementation Responsibility:** Prior to award of contract.
   - **Compliance (Date):** Section 106 SHPO.

2. **Potential impacts to historic properties and/or historical resources:** Reclamation.
   - **Implementation Responsibility:** Prior to construction/during construction if additional cultural resources are found.
   - **Compliance (Date):** SHPO Programmatic Agreement.

3. **Include in the standard contract specifications directions to follow in the unlikely event of the discovery of human remains or other cultural resources during the construction phase of this project:** Reclamation MPCO.
   - **Implementation Responsibility:** SHPO.
   - **Compliance (Date):** SHPO Programmatic Agreement.

#### Land Use, Planning, and Zoning

None.

### Recreation

1. **Potential construction-related damages to recreation facilities:** Reclamation/Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work.
   - **Implementation Responsibility:** During and following construction.
   - **Compliance (Date):** Recreation Management Plan, Plans and Specifications.

2. **Potential loss of recreational use at Folsom Reservoir:** Reclamation/Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work.
   - **Implementation Responsibility:** Prior to and during construction.
   - **Compliance (Date):** Recreation Management Plan, Plans and Specifications.

3. **Consolidate to the extent practicable, material processing and batch operations at the Overlook and Left Wing Dam areas. When materials processing or stockpiling cannot be located sufficiently distant from developed recreation areas, appropriate measures would be taken for noise and safety considerations:** Reclamation/Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work.
   - **Implementation Responsibility:** During construction.
   - **Compliance (Date):** Recreation Management Plan, Plans and Specifications.

4. **Decline of recreational experience at Folsom Reservoir:** Reclamation/Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work.
   - **Implementation Responsibility:** During and following construction.
   - **Compliance (Date):** Recreation Management Plan, Plans and Specifications.

### Additional Notes

None.
### Folsom Safety of Dams and Joint Federal Project Environmental Commitments Checklist

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<td>5: Provide nearly continuous access to all recreation sites at Folsom Reservoir through grade separation, detours, traffic controls, reconfiguration of roadways or other measures. Ensure that the entrance stations at Folsom Point and Beal's Point will meet public safety and traffic requirements during construction.</td>
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<td>Construction traffic could result in substantial interruptions to recreation.</td>
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<td>Loss of recreational trail use.</td>
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<td>9: Notify the public and provide the opportunity for public input prior to any extended closure of any recreational facility.</td>
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<td>1: Coordinate with utility companies and other relevant agencies before construction to locate existing utilities and avoid damage. Avoid the relocation of utilities whenever possible. Provide notification of any potential interruptions in services to the appropriate agencies.</td>
<td>Potential disruption/relocation of infrastructure.</td>
<td>Reclamation/Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work.</td>
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<td>2: Stage utility relocations to minimize interruptions in service.</td>
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<td>3: The Construction Contractor will be instructed to select licensed landfills with adequate capacity to receive the wastes.</td>
<td>Construction activities would generate solid waste.</td>
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<td>5: The Construction Contractor will be directed to dispose of hazardous wastes at licensed hazardous waste facilities.</td>
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<td>6: Consult with local police, fire, and recreation managing partner to develop and implement emergency response plans and establish emergency vehicle routes.</td>
<td>Potential increase in emergency response times to the Folsom Facility.</td>
<td>Reclamation/Construction Contractor for Phase 1 and 2 spillway construction and all SOD work Corps/Construction Contractor for Phase 3 spillway work</td>
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<td>Emergency Response Section of Worker Health and Safety Plan, Plans and Specifications</td>
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**Hydropower Resources**

None.

**Population and Housing**

None.

**Public Health and Safety**

1: Prepare a Recreation Management Plan to maintain public safety during all phases of construction. Components of the plan will address public notification of recreation facilities closure duration, location, restrictions, signage, safety fencing requirements, and coordination with local jurisdictions.

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2: Prepare and implement a Fire Management Plan as part of the Worker Health and Safety Plan. The plan will include fire prevention and response methods including fire precaution, pre-suppression, and suppression measures consistent with the policies and standards in the affected jurisdictions.

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3: Prepare and implement a Worker Health and Safety Plan in compliance with Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) construction standards prior to the start of construction activities.

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4: Prepare a Hazardous Materials Management Plan that establishes the plan of action if hazardous materials are encountered during construction. Establish BMPs to reduce the potential for exposure to hazardous wastes.

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5: Use as appropriate blasting mats to cover blasts in order to minimize the possibility of fly rock.

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**Indian Trust Assets**

None.

**Environmental Justice**

None.