

1 Appendix 6D

2 Selenium Model Documentation

3 This appendix provides information about the methods, modeling tools, and
 4 assumptions used for the Coordinated Long Term Operation of the Central Valley
 5 Project (CVP) and State Water Project (SWP) Environmental Impact Statement
 6 (EIS) analysis. This appendix also provides information pertaining to the
 7 development of the analytical tools and the use of input data as well as model
 8 result processing and interpretation methods used for the impacts analysis and
 9 descriptions.

10 This appendix is organized into three main sections:

- 11 • Section 6D.1: Modeling Methodology
 - 12 – The selenium impacts analysis uses CalSim II, the Delta Simulation
 - 13 Model II (DSM2), and Delta-specific selenium bioaccumulation modeling
 - 14 to assess and quantify effects of the alternatives on the long-term
 - 15 operation and the environment. This section provides information about
 - 16 the development and calibration of a Delta-wide bioaccumulation model
 - 17 for selenium in fish, use of outputs from that model to estimate
 - 18 bioaccumulation in bird eggs and fish fillets, and modeling of selenium
 - 19 bioaccumulation in sturgeon living in the western Delta using inputs from
 - 20 other models.
- 21 • Section 6D.2: Modeling Simulations and Assumptions
 - 22 – This section provides a brief description of the assumptions for the
 - 23 selenium model simulations of the No Action Alternative, Second Basis of
 - 24 Comparison, and Alternatives 1 through 5.
- 25 • Section 6D.3: Modeling Results
 - 26 – This section provides a description of the model simulation output formats
 - 27 used in the analysis and interpretation of modeling results for the
 - 28 alternatives impacts assessment.

29 6D.1 Modeling Methodology

30 This section summarizes the selenium modeling methodology used for the No
 31 Action Alternative, Second Basis of Comparison, and Alternatives 1 through 5. It
 32 describes the overall analytical framework and development and use of
 33 bioaccumulation models. This section also contains descriptions of the key
 34 analytical and numerical tools and approaches used in the quantitative evaluation
 35 of the alternatives. The project alternatives include changes to CVP and SWP
 36 operation that would cause subsequent effects on the water quality of the system
 37 relative to selenium. Those changes in waterborne selenium concentrations

1 would propagate to changes in selenium concentrations in fish and bird eggs
2 throughout the Delta.

3 **6D.1.1 Overview of the Modeling Approach and Objectives**

4 Modeling of flows, hydrodynamics, and selenium bioaccumulation in the Delta is
5 necessary to support the selenium impact analysis of alternatives. Impact analysis
6 focuses on evaluation of changes to selenium concentrations in tissues that affect
7 the health of fish as well as wildlife and humans consuming fish in the Delta.

8 CalSim II, DSM2, and bioaccumulation modeling were used in sequence to
9 estimate the effects of CVP and SWP operations on water quality relative to
10 selenium in the Delta. CalSim II, which simulates flow in California's
11 waterways, and DSM2, which simulates one-dimensional hydrodynamics in
12 California's Delta, are discussed in detail in Appendix 5A. One of the three
13 DSM2 modules, QUAL, simulates one-dimensional source tracking in the Delta.
14 Results from DSM2 were multiplied by source concentrations (shown in
15 Table 6D.1) to determine annual average waterborne selenium concentrations in
16 the Delta for all year types and drought years.

17 Operations-related changes in waterborne selenium concentrations in the Delta
18 may result in increased selenium bioaccumulation or toxicity (or both) to aquatic
19 and semi-aquatic receptors using the Delta. Historical fish tissue data from 2000,
20 2005, and 2007 (Foe 2010a) and measured (for Sacramento River below Knights
21 Landing and for San Joaquin River at Vernalis) or DSM2-modeled (other
22 locations) waterborne selenium concentrations for selected locations in 2000,
23 2005, and 2007 were used to model water-to-tissue relationships. This modeling
24 generally followed procedures described by Presser and Luoma (2010a, 2010b).
25 Implementation of the Grassland Bypass Project (GBP) has led to a 60 percent
26 decrease in selenium loads from the Grassland Drainage Area compared to pre-
27 project conditions (San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board
28 2008). These changes are reflected in data for the San Joaquin River at Vernalis,
29 where water quality is monitored frequently because the river is a primary source
30 of selenium to the Delta. Vernalis water data for 2 years (1999-2000, 2004-2005,
31 and 2006-2007) were used for each year when fish data were available because of
32 the GBP-related changes and because the lag time for selenium bioaccumulation
33 in the piscivorous Largemouth Bass (*Micropterus salmoides*, the species for
34 which the Delta-wide bioaccumulation model was calibrated) may be more than
35 1 year (Beckon 2014).

36 Output from the DSM2-QUAL model (expressed as percentage of inflow from
37 different sources) was used in combination with the available measured
38 waterborne selenium concentrations (Table 6D.1) to model concentrations of
39 selenium at locations throughout the Delta. These modeled waterborne selenium
40 concentrations were used in the relationship model to estimate bioaccumulation of
41 selenium in whole-body fish and in bird eggs. Selenium concentrations in fish
42 fillets were then estimated from those in whole-body fish. The following sections
43 provide detailed information about the modeling approach for selenium.

1 **Table 6D.1 Selenium Concentrations in Water at Inflow Sources to the Delta**

Delta Sources	Representative Inflow Site	GM Se Concentration in Water ($\mu\text{g/L}$) ^a	Years	Source
Delta Agriculture	Mildred Island, Center	0.11	2000	Lucas and Stewart 2007
East Delta Tributaries	Mokelumne, Calaveras, and Cosumnes Rivers	0.10 ^b	None	None
Martinez/Suisun Bay	San Joaquin River near Mallard Island	0.10	02/2000–08/2008	SFEI 2014
Sacramento River	Sacramento River at Freeport	0.09	11/2007–07/2014	USGS 2014
San Joaquin River	San Joaquin River at Vernalis (Airport Way)	0.45 ^c	11/2007–08/2014	USGS 2014
San Joaquin River	San Joaquin River at Vernalis (Airport Way)	0.83 ^d	1999–2000	SWAMP 2009
		0.85	2004–2005	SWAMP 2009
		0.58	2006–2007	SWAMP 2009
Yolo Bypass	Sacramento River below Knights Landing	0.23 ^e	2004, 2007, 2008	DWR 2009

2 **Notes:**

- 3 a. Selenium concentrations are in dissolved fraction unless otherwise noted.
4 b. Dissolved selenium concentration is assumed to be 0.1 $\mu\text{g/L}$ due to lack of available data and
5 lack of sources that would be expected to result in concentrations greater than 0.1 $\mu\text{g/L}$.
6 c. Data used to represent conditions for comparison of alternatives.
7 d. Not specified whether total or dissolved selenium; data for 1999–2000 used for bioaccumulation
8 by bass in 2000; data for 2004–2005 for bass in 2005; and data for 2006–2007 for bass in 2007.
9 e. Total selenium concentration in water.

10 $\mu\text{g/L}$ = microgram(s) per liter

11 GM = geometric mean

12 Se = selenium

13 In addition to the Delta-wide modeling for fish and birds (calibrated with data for
14 Largemouth Bass), selenium uptake and food-chain transfer information from the
15 ecosystem-scale selenium model for the San Francisco Bay-Delta Regional
16 Ecosystem Restoration Implementation Plan (Presser and Luoma 2013) informed
17 the selenium bioaccumulation model for the western Delta. The Largemouth Bass
18 has lower selenium bioaccumulation rates than those observed for sturgeon
19 (Green Sturgeon [*Acipenser medirostris*] and White Sturgeon, [*A.*
20 *transmontanus*]) and is not an appropriate model species that would be protective
21 of sturgeon. Sturgeon differ by feeding, in part, on Overbite Clams (*Corbula*
22 [*Potamocorbula*] *amurensis*) in Suisun Bay and may do so in the western portion
23 of the Delta under future conditions. Therefore, DSM2-modeled waterborne
24 selenium concentrations from three western-most locations in the Delta
25 (Sacramento River at Emmaton, San Joaquin River at Antioch, and Montezuma

1 Slough at Hunter Cut/Beldon’s Landing) were used to model selenium
2 bioaccumulation for sturgeon at those three locations to supplement the modeling
3 done for Largemouth Bass.

4 The results from this suite of physical and biological models are used to inform
5 the understanding of effects of each alternative considered in this EIS on
6 selenium. Modeling objectives included evaluation of the following:

- 7 • Percent changes in waterborne selenium concentrations under the alternatives
8 as compared to the No Action Alternative and the Second Basis of
9 Comparison
- 10 • Exceedances of fish, wildlife, or human thresholds for selenium effects

11 **6D.1.2 Key Components of the Selenium Modeling**

12 To fulfill the objectives of the selenium modeling effort, DSM2 output data were
13 used in combination with source water concentrations to estimate waterborne
14 selenium concentrations at representative locations throughout the Delta
15 (Tables 6D.2 through 6D.4, located at end of this appendix). Waterborne
16 selenium concentrations were then used to estimate tissue selenium
17 concentrations in Largemouth Bass (as a representative higher trophic-level fish)
18 throughout the Delta and in sturgeon in the western Delta. Estimation of
19 concentrations in Largemouth Bass throughout the Delta included the
20 development and calibration of a bioaccumulation model using measured
21 concentrations in bass (Foe 2010a). In contrast, modeling for sturgeon in the
22 western Delta relied on literature-based model parameters (Presser and Luoma
23 2013), because data were not available to further calibrate the model.

24 **6D.1.2.1 DSM2 Post-processing**

25 Dissolved or total selenium data were available for six inflow locations to the
26 Delta (Table 6D.1):

- 27 • Sacramento River below Knights Landing (just upstream of Yolo Bypass,
28 representing the Bypass source)
- 29 • Sacramento River at Freeport (mainstem flow to Delta)
- 30 • San Joaquin River at Vernalis (Airport Way) (mainstem flow to Delta)
- 31 • Mokelumne, Calaveras, and Cosumnes Rivers (for East Delta tributaries)
- 32 • Mildred Island, Center (for Delta Agriculture)
- 33 • San Joaquin River near Mallard Island (for Martinez/Suisun Bay)

34 Both dissolved and total selenium data were considered suitable for purposes of
35 the modeling conducted for the Delta, because they typically do not differ greatly.
36 Statements related to waterborne selenium concentrations in this appendix would
37 be applicable to either dissolved or total concentrations.

1 Whole-body Largemouth Bass data for selenium were available from the
2 following DSM2 output locations:

- 3 • Big Break
- 4 • Cache Slough Ryer
- 5 • Franks Tract
- 6 • Middle River Bullfrog
- 7 • Old River Near Paradise Cut
- 8 • Sacramento River Mile (RM) 44
- 9 • San Joaquin River Potato Slough

10 Largemouth Bass data also were available from the Veterans Bridge on the
11 Sacramento River and from Vernalis on the San Joaquin River, but DSM2 data
12 were not available for those locations; therefore, historical data for selenium
13 concentrations in water collected nearby (Table 6D.1) were used to represent
14 quarterly averages. The geometric mean of total selenium concentrations in water
15 collected from the Sacramento River below Knights Landing in 2004, 2007, and
16 2008 (DWR 2009) were used to represent quarterly averages of selenium
17 concentrations in water for Veterans Bridge in all years. The geometric means of
18 selenium concentrations (total or dissolved was not specified) in water collected
19 from 1999–2000, 2004-2005, and 2006-2007 (SWAMP 2009) were used to
20 represent quarterly averages for selenium concentrations in water at Vernalis
21 during 2000, 2005, and 2007, respectively.

22 For DSM2 output locations, the geometric mean selenium concentrations from the
23 inflow locations were combined with the modeled quarterly average percent
24 inflow for each DSM2 output location to estimate waterborne selenium
25 concentrations at those locations. The quarterly average mix of water from the six
26 inflow sources (Table 6D.1) was calculated from daily percent inflows provided
27 by the DSM2 model output for the DSM2 output locations for which fish data
28 were available. The quarterly waterborne selenium concentrations at DSM2
29 locations were calculated using Equation 1:

$$30 \quad C_{water \text{ quarterly}} = ([I_1 * C_1] + [I_2 * C_2] + [I_3 * C_3] + [I_4 * C_4] + [I_5 * C_5] + [I_6 * C_6]) / 100$$

31 Where:

- 32 • $C_{water \text{ quarterly}}$ = quarterly average selenium concentration in water
33 (micrograms/liter [$\mu\text{g/L}$]) at a DSM2 output location
- 34 • I_{1-6} = modeled quarterly inflow from each of the six sources of water to the
35 Delta for each DSM2 output location (percentage)
- 36 • C_{1-6} = selenium concentration in water ($\mu\text{g/L}$) from each of the six inflow
37 sources to the Delta (1-6)

1 Example Calculation: Modeled Selenium Concentration at Franks Tract Year
2 2000, First Quarter:

3 (43.94 [% inflow from Sacramento River water source at Franks Tract]
4 × 0.09 µg/L [selenium concentration at Sacramento River at Freeport]) +
5 (11.56 [% inflow from East Delta Tributaries water source at Franks Tract]
6 × 0.10 µg/L [selenium concentration at Mokelumne, Calaveras, and
7 Cosumnes Rivers]) + (15.79 [% inflow from San Joaquin River water source
8 at Franks Tract] × 0.83 µg/L [selenium concentration at San Joaquin River at
9 Vernalis]) + (0.02 [% inflow from Martinez/Suisun Bay water source at
10 Franks Tract] × 0.10 µg/L [selenium concentration at San Joaquin River near
11 Mallard Island]) + (0.32 [% inflow from Yolo Bypass water source at Franks
12 Tract] × 0.23 µg/L [selenium concentration at Sacramento River below
13 Knights Landing]) + (5.06 [% inflow from Delta Agriculture water source at
14 Franks Tract] × 0.11 µg/L [selenium concentration at Mildred Island,
15 Center])/100 = 0.19 µg/L

16 The quarterly and average annual waterborne selenium concentrations for the
17 DSM2 output locations are shown in Table 6D.2 (Year 2000), Table 6D.3
18 (Year 2005), and Table 6D.4 (Year 2007).

19 **6D.1.2.2 Delta-wide Selenium Model Development**

20 Selenium concentrations in whole-body fish and in bird eggs were calculated
21 using ecosystem-scale models developed by Presser and Luoma (2010a, 2010b,
22 2013). The models were based on biogeochemical and physiological factors from
23 laboratory and field studies; loading rates, chemical speciation, and
24 transformation to particulate material; bioavailability; bioaccumulation in
25 invertebrates; and trophic transfer to predators. Important components of the
26 methodology included (1) empirically determined environmental partitioning
27 factors between water and particulate material that quantify the effects of
28 dissolved speciation and phase transformation; (2) concentrations of selenium in
29 living and non-living particulates at the base of the food web that determine
30 selenium bioavailability to invertebrates; and (3) selenium biodynamic food web
31 transfer factors that quantify the physiological potential for bioaccumulation from
32 particulate matter to consumer organisms and from prey to their predators.

33 **6D.1.2.2.1 Selenium Concentration in Particulates**

34 Phase transformation reactions from dissolved to particulate selenium are the
35 primary form by which selenium enters the food web. Presser and Luoma (2010a,
36 2010b, 2013) used field observations to quantify the relationship between
37 particulate material and dissolved selenium as indicated in Equation 2.

$$38 \quad C_{particulate} = K_d * C_{water\ column}$$

39 Where:

- 40 • $C_{particulate}$ = selenium concentration in particulate material
41 (micrograms/kilogram, dry weight [µg/kg dw])
- 42 • K_d = particulate/water ratio

- 1 • $C_{water\ column}$ = selenium concentration in water column ($\mu\text{g/L}$)

2 The K_d (also called an “enrichment factor”) describes the particulate/water ratio at
 3 the moment the sample was taken and should not be interpreted as an equilibrium
 4 constant (as it sometimes is mistaken to be). It can vary widely among hydrologic
 5 environments and potentially among seasons (Presser and Luoma 2010a, 2010b,
 6 2013; Young et al. 2010). In addition, other factors such as selenium speciation,
 7 water residence time, and particle type affect K_d . Selenium typically enters a
 8 stream primarily as selenate. If the stream flows into a wetland and the water is
 9 retained there with sufficient residence time, recycling of selenium may occur.
 10 This results in generation of particulate selenium and conversion to more
 11 bioaccumulative selenite and organo-selenium from the less-bioaccumulative
 12 dissolved selenate. Residence time of water containing selenium is usually the
 13 most influential factor on the conditions in the receiving aquatic environment.
 14 Short water residence times (such as in streams and rivers) limit partitioning of
 15 selenium into particulate material. Conversely, longer residence times (such as in
 16 sloughs, lakes, and estuaries) allow greater uptake by plants, algae, and
 17 microorganisms. Furthermore, environments in downstream portions of a
 18 watershed can receive cumulative contributions of upstream recycling in a
 19 hydrologic system. Because of its high variability, K_d is a large source of
 20 uncertainty in any selenium model where extrapolations from selenium
 21 concentrations in the water column to those in aquatic organism tissues, or from
 22 tissue to waterborne concentrations, are necessary.

23 In developing the Delta-wide bioaccumulation model for bass, the particulate
 24 selenium concentration initially was estimated using Equation 2 and a default K_d
 25 of 1,000 (Presser and Luoma 2010a). Because the K_d is typically much more
 26 variable than other steps in the bioaccumulation model, the K_d was then adjusted
 27 to calibrate the model so that the modeled concentrations for fish approximated
 28 the measured concentrations in bass for normal and wet years (2000 and 2005)
 29 and for drought years (2007), as described in more detail in Section 6D.1.2.3.

30 **6D.1.2.2.2 Selenium Concentrations in Invertebrates**

31 Trophic transfer factors (TTFs) for transfer of selenium from particulates to prey
 32 and to predators were developed using data from laboratory experiments and field
 33 studies (Presser and Luoma 2010a, 2010b, 2013). TTFs are species-specific, but
 34 the range of TTFs for freshwater invertebrates was found to be similar to TTFs for
 35 marine invertebrates determined in laboratory experiments.

36 TTFs for estimating selenium concentrations in invertebrates were calculated
 37 using Equation 3:

$$38 \quad TTF_{invertebrate} = (C_{invertebrate}) / (C_{particulate})$$

39 Where:

- 40 • $TTF_{invertebrate}$ = trophic transfer factor from particulate material to invertebrate
 41 • $C_{invertebrate}$ = concentration of selenium in invertebrate ($\mu\text{g/g dw}$)
 42 • $C_{particulate}$ = concentration of selenium in particulate material ($\mu\text{g/g dw}$)

1 An average aquatic insect TTF was calculated from TTFs for aquatic insect
 2 species with similar bioaccumulative potential, including Mayfly (*Baetidae*;
 3 *Heptageniidae*; *Ephemerellidae*), Caddisfly (*Rhyacophilidae*; *Hydropsychidae*),
 4 Crane Fly (*Tipulidae*), Stonefly (*Perlodidae*/*Perlidae*; *Chloroperlidae*),
 5 Damselfly (*Coenagrionidae*), Corixid (*Cenocorixa* sp.), and Chironomid
 6 (*Chironomus* sp.) aquatic life stages. Species-specific TTFs ranged from 2.1 to
 7 3.2; the average TTF of 2.8 was used in the Delta-wide model.

8 **6D.1.2.2.3 Selenium Concentrations in Whole-body Fish**

9 The mechanistic equation for modeling of selenium bioaccumulation in fish tissue
 10 is similar to that for invertebrates if whole-body concentrations are the endpoint
 11 (Presser and Luoma 2010a, 2010b, 2013), as shown in Equation 4:

12
$$TTF_{fish} = C_{fish} / C_{invertebrate}$$

13 where:

14
$$C_{invertebrate} = C_{particulate} * TTF_{invertebrate}$$

15 therefore:

16
$$C_{fish} = C_{particulate} * TTF_{invertebrate} * TTF_{fish}$$

17 Where:

- 18 • C_{fish} = concentration of selenium in fish ($\mu\text{g/g dw}$)
- 19 • $C_{particulate}$ = concentration of selenium in particulate material ($\mu\text{g/g dw}$)
- 20 • $C_{invertebrate}$ = concentration of selenium in invertebrate ($\mu\text{g/g dw}$)
- 21 • $TTF_{invertebrate}$ = trophic transfer factor from particulate material to invertebrate
- 22 • TTF_{fish} = trophic transfer factor from invertebrate to fish

23 Modeling selenium bioaccumulation into a particular fish species considers
 24 organism physiology and its preferred foods. However, variability in fish tissue
 25 selenium concentrations for present modeling purposes is driven more by dietary
 26 choices and their respective levels of bioaccumulation (that is, $TTF_{invertebrate}$)
 27 than by differences in fish physiology or the dietary transfer to the fish (TTF_{fish}).
 28 A diet of mixed prey (including invertebrates or other fish) can be modeled as
 29 shown in Equation 5:

30
$$C_{fish} = TTF_{fish} * ([C_1 * F_1] + [C_2 * F_2] + [C_3 * F_3])$$

31 Where:

- 32 • C_{fish} = concentration of selenium in fish ($\mu\text{g/g dw}$)
- 33 • TTF_{fish} = trophic transfer factor for fish species
- 34 • C_{1-3} = concentration of selenium in invertebrate or fish prey items 1, 2, and 3
 35 ($\mu\text{g/g dw}$)
- 36 • F_{1-3} = fraction of diet composed of prey items 1, 2, and 3

37 Modeling of selenium concentrations in longer food webs with higher trophic
 38 levels (for example, predator fish such as bass consuming forage fish) can be
 39 completed by incorporating additional TTFs, as shown in Equation 6:

$$C_{predatorfish} = C_{particulate} * TTF_{invertebrate} * TTF_{foragefish} * TTF_{predatorfish}$$

2 Where:

- 3 • $C_{predatorfish}$ = concentration of selenium in fish ($\mu\text{g/g dw}$)
- 4 • $C_{particulate}$ = concentration of selenium in particulate material ($\mu\text{g/g dw}$)
- 5 • $TTF_{invertebrate}$ = trophic transfer factor from particulate material to invertebrate
- 6 • $TTF_{foragefish}$ = trophic transfer factor for invertebrates to foraging fish species
- 7 • $TTF_{predatorfish}$ = trophic transfer factor for forage fish to predator species

8 The fish TTFs reported in Presser and Luoma (2010a) ranged from 0.5 to 1.6, so
 9 the average fish TTF of 1.1 was used for all trophic levels of fish in the Delta-
 10 wide model.

11 Modeled selenium concentrations in whole-body fish were used to estimate
 12 selenium concentrations in fish fillets, as described in Section 6D.1.2.2.5.

13 **6D.1.2.2.4 Selenium Concentrations in Bird Eggs**

14 Selenium concentrations in bird tissues can be estimated, but the transfer of
 15 selenium into bird eggs is more meaningful for evaluating reproductive endpoints
 16 (Presser and Luoma 2010a; Ohlendorf and Heinz 2011). Examples of models for
 17 selenium transfer to bird eggs are as shown in Equations 7 and 8:

$$18 \quad C_{birdegg} = C_{particulate} * TTF_{invertebrate} * TTF_{birdegg}$$

19 (this equation is based on birds, such as shorebirds, eating invertebrates)

20 or:

$$21 \quad C_{birdegg} = C_{particulate} * TTF_{invertebrate} * TTF_{fish} * TTF_{birdegg}$$

22 (this equation is based on birds, such as herons or terns, feeding on small fish)

23 Where:

- 24 • $C_{birdegg}$ = concentration of selenium in bird egg ($\mu\text{g/g dw}$)
- 25 • $C_{particulate}$ = concentration of selenium in particulate material ($\mu\text{g/g dw}$)
- 26 • $TTF_{invertebrate}$ = trophic transfer factor from particulate material to invertebrate
- 27 • TTF_{fish} = trophic transfer factor from invertebrate to fish
- 28 • $TTF_{birdegg}$ = trophic transfer factor from invertebrate or fish (depending on
 29 diet) to bird egg

30 Presser and Luoma (2010b, 2013) reviewed the available data for selenium
 31 bioaccumulation from diet to bird eggs and concluded that the mean $TTF_{birdegg} =$
 32 2.6 was most appropriate for modeling. This TTF was based on laboratory
 33 studies in which Mallards (*Anas platyrhynchos*) were fed selenium-fortified diets
 34 to evaluate reproductive effects. Mallards are considered a sensitive species to
 35 selenium based on reproductive endpoints. In their previous evaluation of those
 36 data, Presser and Luoma (2010a) concluded that a $TTF_{birdegg} = 1.8$ was
 37 appropriate. The form of selenium included in the Mallard diet
 38 (selenomethionine) has been used as a surrogate in many laboratory studies to
 39 represent exposure of fish and birds under field conditions. Other laboratory
 40 studies were conducted with Black-crowned Night-herons (*Nycticorax*

1 *nycticorax*) by Smith et al (1988), for Eastern Screech-owls (*Otus asio*) by
 2 Wiemeyer and Hoffman (1996), and for American Kestrels (*Falco sparverius*) by
 3 Santolo et al. (1999). In each of these studies, the experimental groups also
 4 received supplemental selenium in the form of selenomethionine. Transfer
 5 factors for the selenium-supplemented birds varied from approximately 1.0 to 2.2,
 6 with a mean of 1.5.

7 In field studies conducted at Kesterson Reservoir and the Volta Wildlife Area
 8 reference site, extensive sampling of food-chain biota and bird eggs was
 9 conducted from 1983 through 1985, and birds were collected to determine
 10 qualitatively the kinds of aquatic organisms they had eaten (Saiki and Lowe 1987;
 11 Hothem and Ohlendorf 1989; Schuler et al. 1990; Ohlendorf and Hothem 1995).
 12 Based on the kinds of food items found in each of the sampled species and the
 13 mean selenium concentrations in those kinds of organisms, a mean selenium
 14 concentration was estimated for each species at each site during each nesting
 15 season. In contrast to the findings with selenomethionine-supplemented diets in
 16 the laboratory, TTFs from diet to eggs were almost always less than 2.0. At the
 17 Volta Wildlife Area, where diet and egg selenium concentrations were
 18 representative of “background” conditions, transfer factors ranged from 0.63 to
 19 2.0, with a mean of 1.35. At Kesterson, the transfer factors ranged from less than
 20 0.2 to 0.48.

21 Because selenomethionine in the Mallard diet is probably more readily transferred
 22 to eggs than are the selenium forms in field-collected food-chain biota, the
 23 $TTF_{bird\text{egg}} = 1.8$ value from Presser and Luoma (2010a) was used in the
 24 bioaccumulation model.

25 **6D.1.2.2.5 Selenium Concentrations in Fish Fillets**

26 Selenium concentrations in whole-body fish from the bioaccumulation model
 27 were converted to selenium concentrations in skinless fish fillets for evaluation of
 28 potential human health effects. The regression equation provided in Saiki et al.
 29 (1991) for Largemouth Bass from the San Joaquin River system was considered
 30 to be the most representative of fish in the Delta and was used for the conversion
 31 of these selenium concentrations as shown in Equation 9:

$$32 \quad SF = (-0.388) + (1.322 * WB)$$

33 Where:

- 34 • SF = selenium concentration in skinless fish fillet ($\mu\text{g/g dw}$)
- 35 • WB = selenium concentration in whole-body fish ($\mu\text{g/g dw}$)

36 For the impact assessment in this EIS, fish fillet data were compared to the
 37 Advisory Tissue Level (2.5 micrograms per gram [$\mu\text{g/g}$]) in wet weight (ww)
 38 (OEHHA 2008); therefore, wet-weight concentrations were estimated from dry-
 39 weight concentrations using the equation provided by Saiki et al. (1991) as shown
 40 in Equation 10:

$$41 \quad WW = DW * (100 - Moist)/100$$

1 Where:

- 2 • WW = selenium concentration in wet weight ($\mu\text{g/g}$ ww)
- 3 • DW = selenium concentration in dry weight ($\mu\text{g/g}$ dw)
- 4 • $Moist$ = mean moisture content of the species

5 Because moisture content in fish varies among species, sample handling, and
6 locations, the mean moisture content of 70 percent used by Foe (2010b) was used
7 as an assumed approximation for fish in the Delta. The final equation used to
8 estimate selenium concentration in skinless fish fillets (wet weight) from selenium
9 concentration in whole-body fish (dry weight) is as shown in Equation 11:

$$10 \quad SF = ([-0.388] + [1.322 * WB]) * 0.3$$

11 Where:

- 12 • SF = selenium concentrations in skinless fish fillet ($\mu\text{g/g}$ ww)
- 13 • WB = selenium concentration in whole-body fish ($\mu\text{g/g}$ dw)

14 **6D.1.2.3 Delta-wide Selenium Model Calibration**

15 Several models were evaluated and refined to estimate selenium uptake in fish
16 and in bird eggs from waters in the Delta. Input parameters to the model (K_d s
17 and the number of trophic levels) were varied among the models as refinements were
18 made. Data for Largemouth Bass collected in the Delta from areas near DSM2
19 output locations were used to calculate the geometric mean selenium
20 concentration in whole-body fish (Foe 2010a). The ratio of the estimated
21 (modeled) selenium concentration in fish to measured selenium in whole-body
22 bass was used to evaluate each fish model and to focus refinements of the model.
23 These Delta-wide models are presented in the following subsections.

24 Characteristics of water flow in the Delta affect selenium bioaccumulation and the
25 model refinements, because longer residence time for the water can be expected
26 to increase bioaccumulation by increasing K_d . Foe (2010a) reported the water
27 year type for 2000 as “above normal” for both the Sacramento River and San
28 Joaquin River watersheds. It came after “wet” water years and was followed by
29 “dry” water years. Year 2005 was wetter than 2000, was reported as “above
30 normal” for the Sacramento River watershed and “wet” for the San Joaquin River
31 watershed. Year 2005 occurred between periods of wet water years. Water Year
32 2007 was reported as “dry” (Sacramento River watershed) and “critically dry”
33 (San Joaquin River watershed). It came after wet water years and was followed
34 by critically dry water years.

35 There was no difference in bass selenium concentrations in the Sacramento River
36 at Rio Vista in comparison to the San Joaquin River at Vernalis in 2000, 2005,
37 and 2007 (Foe 2010a). The lack of a difference in bioaccumulated selenium
38 between the two river systems was unexpected because the San Joaquin River is
39 considered a significant source of selenium to the Delta. There were differences
40 among years, however, that were related to hydrology and water flow through the
41 Delta. Year 2005 selenium concentrations in bass were comparatively lower than
42 those estimated for Year 2000. As expected in a wet water year, the water
43 residence time was shorter, resulting in less selenium recycling, lower K_d values,

1 and lower concentrations of selenium entering the food web. The dry water year
 2 (2007) resulted in a longer water residence time, higher K_d values, greater
 3 selenium recycling, and higher concentrations of bioavailable selenium entering
 4 the food web. These differences among years were considered when refining the
 5 selenium bioaccumulation model.

6 **6D.1.2.3.1 Bioaccumulation in Whole-body Fish**

7 Models estimating whole-body selenium concentrations in fish were refined by
 8 modifying dietary composition and input parameters to closely represent
 9 measured conditions in the Delta. Each model is described in this section.

10 Model 1 was a basic representative of uptake by a forage fish, while Model 2
 11 calculated sequential bioaccumulation in a more complex food web that included
 12 predatory fish eating forage fish, as shown below:

13 Model 1: Trophic level 3 (TL-3) fish eating invertebrates (Equation 12):

$$14 \quad C_{fish} = C_{particulate} * TTF_{invertebrate} * TTF_{fish}$$

15 Model 2: Trophic level 4 (TL-4) fish eating TL-3 fish (Equation 13):

$$16 \quad C_{predatorfish} = C_{particulate} * TTF_{invertebrate} * TTF_{foragefish} * TTF_{predatorfish}$$

17 Where:

- 18 • C_{fish} = concentration of selenium in fish ($\mu\text{g/g dw}$)
- 19 • $C_{particulate}$ = concentration of selenium in particulate material ($\mu\text{g/g dw}$)
- 20 • $TTF_{invertebrate}$ = Trophic transfer factor from particulate material to invertebrate
- 21 • TTF_{fish} = Trophic transfer factor from invertebrate to forage fish or forage fish
 22 to predator fish

23 Equation 12 is the same as Equation 4 and Equation 13 is the same as Equation 6
 24 that were described previously for the generalized model. In both Models 1 and
 25 2, the particulate selenium concentration was estimated using Equation 2 and a
 26 default K_d of 1,000. The average TTFs for invertebrates (2.8) and fish (1.1) were
 27 used in each model. The outputs of estimated selenium concentrations and the
 28 ratios of predicted-to-observed bass selenium concentrations for Models 1 and 2
 29 are presented in Table 6D.5 and Figure 6D.1 (all figures are provided at the end of
 30 this appendix).

31 Models 1 and 2 tended to substantially underestimate the whole-body selenium
 32 concentrations in fish compared to bass data reported in Foe (2010a). This was
 33 partly because Model 1 was estimating selenium concentration in a forage fish
 34 (TL-3), whereas bass are a predatory fish with expected higher dietary exposure.
 35 Consequently, Model 1 was not further developed as the selenium
 36 bioaccumulation model to represent fish in the Delta.

37 Model 2 is representative of predatory fish, but Model 2 was very similar to
 38 Model 1 in distribution of data and in underestimating bass data, even though an
 39 additional trophic-level transfer was included in the model. As noted in Section
 40 6D.1.2.2.1 and described in much greater detail by Presser and Luoma (2010a,
 41 2010b, 2013), the K_d values for uptake from water are far more variable than the

1 TTFs for invertebrates or fish. Models 1 and 2 also apparently reflect the
2 tendency of selenium (as an essential nutrient) to be more bioaccumulative when
3 waterborne concentrations are low (as described by Stewart et al. [2010]), which
4 they were for the DSM2-modeled concentrations (that is, 0.09 to 0.85 $\mu\text{g/L}$).
5 Available K_d values from various sampling efforts in the Delta provided by
6 Presser and Luoma (2010b) were reviewed for potential applicability in the
7 modeling effort. Those values varied on the basis of locations within the Delta
8 and Suisun Bay and also by water year and flow characteristics (often greater than
9 5,000 and sometimes exceeding 10,000). However, efforts to incorporate various
10 selected K_d values (for example, 2,000 or 3,000) into the model uniformly for
11 different DSM2 locations failed to produce ratios of modeled-to-measured fish
12 selenium concentrations that approximated 1 (they either over- or underestimated
13 fish selenium concentrations because of variability in site conditions).

14 The available bass data and the assumed TTFs for invertebrates (2.8) and fish
15 (1.1) were used to back-calculate a location and sample-specific K_d . It is
16 recognized that some of the variability in bioaccumulation may be associated with
17 the TTFs, but there were no reasonable assumptions for selection of alternative
18 values to plug into the model.

19 When TTFs were held constant, back-calculation of K_d values revealed a
20 concentration-related influence on the values. For waterborne selenium
21 concentrations in the range of 0.09 to 0.13 $\mu\text{g/L}$ ($N = 50$), the median was 5,575;
22 when waterborne selenium concentrations were in the range of 0.14 to 0.40 $\mu\text{g/L}$
23 ($N = 19$), the median K_d was 2,431; for waterborne selenium concentrations in the
24 range of 0.41 to 0.85 $\mu\text{g/L}$ ($N = 19$), the median K_d was 748. These observations
25 are consistent with an inverse relationship between waterborne selenium
26 concentrations and bioaccumulation in aquatic organisms (Stewart et al. 2010).

27 Figure 6D.2 shows the log-log regression relation of K_d to waterborne selenium
28 concentration when all years are included and the TTFs are held constant, while
29 Figure 6D.3 shows the relationship for normal/wet years (2000 and 2005) and
30 Figure 6D.4 shows the regression for dry years (2007), when the K_d s were
31 generally higher.

32 Model 3 is based on Model 2 (with TTFs as described previously) but includes the
33 K_d estimated from the log-log regression relation for all years (Figure 6D.2). This
34 produced a median ratio of predicted-to-observed whole-body selenium in bass
35 that slightly exceeded 1 (Figure 6D.1); details are provided in Table 6D.6.
36 Because of the noticeable differences between 2007 (the dry year) and the other
37 2 years, the next step in modeling was to evaluate 2007 separately from 2000
38 and 2005.

39 Model 4 was developed using the log-log relationship between K_d and water
40 selenium concentrations for 2000 and 2005 (Figure 6D.3). Model 5 was
41 developed using log-log relationship between K_d and water selenium
42 concentrations for 2007 (Figure 6D.4 and Table 6D.7). These two models
43 produced ratios of predicted-to-observed whole-body selenium in bass
44 approximating 1, as shown in Figure 6D.1.

1 As expected in a large, complex, and diverse ecological habitat such as the Delta,
2 variations in the data distribution and in the outputs of the models are not
3 surprising. However, it should be noted that the estimated K_d values for Model 3
4 (674-6,060; Table 6D.6), Model 4 (651-4,997; Table 6D.7), and Model 5
5 (1,206-8,064; Table 6D.7) are consistent with those summarized by Presser and
6 Luoma (2010b) for the Delta.

7 Figures 6D.5 and 6D.6 illustrate the distribution of data for selenium
8 concentrations in Largemouth Bass (Foe 2010a) relative to the measured or
9 DSM2-modeled waterborne selenium concentrations (Tables 6D.1 through 6D.4)
10 and Models 3, 4, and 5 to complement the boxplots shown in Figure 6D.1. There
11 is notably more variability in selenium concentrations in bass between 0.09 and
12 0.13 $\mu\text{g/L}$ than at higher waterborne selenium concentrations (as shown in both
13 Figures 6D.5 and 6D.6); most of the higher values are from 2007 and most of the
14 lower ones are from 2005.

15 Figure 6D.5 shows the available data for 2000, 2005, and 2007 plotted with the
16 Model 3 prediction of selenium concentrations. As noted previously in text and in
17 Figure 6D.1, the model slightly over-predicts the median concentrations in fish on
18 the basis of waterborne selenium concentrations. This effect is reflected in
19 Figure 6D.1 by the outliers above the 90th percentile bar (that is, the higher over-
20 predictions for fish, which are those from 2000 and 2005). However, overall, the
21 model is within 1 $\mu\text{g/g}$ for all values less than the prediction, and within
22 approximately 1.2 $\mu\text{g/g}$ for the values greater than the prediction (Figure 6D.5).

23 Because of the notable differences between data for 2007 compared to combined
24 2000 and 2005 data, Model 4 was developed for 2000 and 2005 and Model 5 was
25 developed for 2007, Figure 6D.6 shows those model predictions compared to the
26 data. These two models improved the predictions; although the figure shows
27 more differences between data and the models at the lower waterborne
28 concentrations (that is, less than 0.30 $\mu\text{g/L}$) than at higher ones, the divergence is
29 generally less than 0.5 $\mu\text{g/g}$ at the higher waterborne concentrations. The outliers
30 for Model 4 are mostly above the 90th percentile (that is, over-predicting
31 concentrations in fish), rather than below, as shown in Figure 6D.1. For Model 5,
32 the predictions are “tighter” with just a few outliers above or below the
33 90th percentile.

34 Evaluation of water-year effects on selenium concentration in bass concluded that
35 Model 4 was relatively predictive of selenium concentration in whole-body bass
36 during normal to wet water years. Model 5 was considered predictive for dry
37 water years (such as 2007). Model 3 incorporates the varying bioaccumulation
38 when all years are considered (that is, 2000, 2005, and 2007). Although Model 3
39 tends to slightly overestimate selenium bioaccumulation (Table 6D.6 and
40 Figure 6D.1), it was used for estimating selenium concentrations in whole-body
41 fish in the impact assessment for “All” years, and Model 5 was used for
42 “Drought” years.

1 **6D.1.2.3.2 Selenium Bioaccumulation in Bird Eggs**

2 The K_d , invertebrate TTF, and fish TTFs developed for use in fish
3 bioaccumulation Models 4 and 5 were also used to estimate selenium uptake into
4 bird eggs using the following two bird egg models (Table 6D.8):

5 Bird Egg: Uptake from invertebrates (Equation 14):

$$6 \quad C_{birdegg} = C_{particulate} * TTF_{invertebrate} * TTF_{birdegg}$$

7 where:

$$8 \quad C_{particulate} = K_d * C_{water}$$

9 Bird Egg: Uptake from fish (Equation 15):

$$10 \quad C_{birdegg} = C_{particulate} * TTF_{invertebrate} * TTF_{fish} * TTF_{fish} * TTF_{birdegg}$$

11 where:

$$12 \quad C_{particulate} = K_d * C_{water}$$

13 Where:

- 14 • $C_{birdegg}$ = concentration of selenium in bird egg ($\mu\text{g/g dw}$)
- 15 • $C_{particulate}$ = concentration of selenium in particulate material ($\mu\text{g/g dw}$)
- 16 • C_{water} = selenium concentration in water column ($\mu\text{g/L}$)
- 17 • K_d = particulate/water ratio
- 18 • $TTF_{invertebrate}$ = trophic transfer factor from particulate material to invertebrate
- 19 • TTF_{fish} = trophic transfer factor from invertebrate or fish to fish
- 20 • $TTF_{birdegg}$ = trophic transfer factor from invertebrate or fish (depending on
21 diet) to bird egg

22 Equation 14 is the same as Equation 7, but Equation 15 differs from Equation 8 in
23 that it assumes birds are eating larger predatory fish such as bass.

24 **6D.1.2.4 Western Delta Sturgeon Model**

25 Presser and Luoma (2013) determined K_d values for San Francisco Bay (including
26 Carquinez Strait – Suisun Bay) during “low flow” conditions (5,986) and
27 “average” conditions (3,317). These values were used to model selenium
28 concentrations in particulates in bioaccumulation modeling for sturgeon under
29 “Drought” and “All” year conditions at the three locations in the western Delta.
30 (By comparison, calibration of the Delta-wide model for two western-most
31 location from which bass had been collected [Big Break] resulted in an average
32 $K_d = 3,736$ for 2000/2005 [Model 4, normal/wet years] and average $K_d =$
33 $7,166$ for 2007 [Model 5, dry year].)

34 Sturgeon in the western Delta, Carquinez Strait, and Suisun Bay typically prey on
35 a mix of clams including *Corbula amurensis*, which is known to be an efficient
36 bioaccumulator of selenium (Stewart et al. 2010) and crustaceans. Presser and
37 Luoma (2013) assumed a sturgeon diet of 50 percent clams and 50 percent
38 amphipods and other crustaceans in their model. Based on this diet, the authors
39 reported a TTF of 9.2 (identified as TTF_{prey} in Table 1 of Presser and Luoma
40 [2013]). This TTF was used to calculate concentrations in sturgeon invertebrate

1 prey for the Sacramento River at Emmaton, San Joaquin River at Antioch, and
2 Montezuma Slough at Hunter Cut/Beldon's Landing locations under the No
3 Action Alternative, Second Basis of Comparison, and Alternatives 1 through 5.
4 A TTF of 1.3 from diet to fish (identified as $TTF_{predator}$) was reported for sturgeon
5 in Presser and Luoma (2013) and was used to calculate concentrations of
6 selenium in sturgeon for the three western Delta locations.
7 Modeling for sturgeon at the three western Delta locations did not require
8 refinement because it relied on recent data provided by Presser and Luoma
9 [2013]) and because data to refine the model were not available.

10 **6D.2 Modeling Simulations and Assumptions**

11 As described in Section 6D.1, selenium modeling was performed for evaluation of
12 the alternatives. This section describes the assumptions for the selenium model
13 simulations of the No Action Alternative, Second Basis of Comparison, and other
14 alternatives. A description of DSM2 model assumptions is in Appendix 5A.

15 The following model simulations were used as the basis of evaluating the impacts
16 of the other alternatives:

- 17 • No Action Alternative
- 18 • Second Basis of Comparison

19 The following selenium model simulations of other alternatives were performed:

- 20 • Alternative 1 – for selenium simulation purposes, considered the same as
21 Second Basis of Comparison
- 22 • Alternative 2 – for selenium simulation purposes, considered the same as No
23 Action Alternative
- 24 • Alternative 3
- 25 • Alternative 4 – for selenium simulation purposes, considered the same as
26 Second Basis of Comparison.
- 27 • Alternative 5

28 The general selenium modeling assumptions described in the following
29 subsection pertain to all the model runs.

30 **6D.2.1 Delta-wide Assumptions**

31 The calibrated Delta-wide selenium bioaccumulation models (Models 3, 4, and 5)
32 are considered representative of conditions in the Delta under current and likely
33 future conditions, because they incorporate realistic concentrations of waterborne
34 selenium and they predict selenium concentrations in predatory fish that
35 approximate measured concentrations in Largemouth Bass. The calibrated
36 models take into account the variable nature of selenium bioaccumulation in

1 relation to waterborne concentrations, which is reflected in the generally inverse
2 relationship between the K_d and waterborne selenium concentration.

3 Models are not available to quantitatively estimate the level of changes in
4 selenium bioaccumulation as related to residence time, but the effects of residence
5 time are incorporated in the bioaccumulation modeling for selenium that was
6 based on higher K_d values for drought years in comparison to wet, normal, or all
7 years. If increases in fish tissue or bird egg selenium were to occur, the increases
8 would likely be of concern only where fish tissues or bird eggs are already
9 elevated in selenium to near or above thresholds of concern. That is, where biota
10 concentrations are currently low and not approaching thresholds of concern
11 (which is the case throughout the Delta, except for sturgeon in the western Delta),
12 changes in residence time alone would not be expected to cause them to then
13 approach or exceed thresholds of concern. In consideration of this factor,
14 although the Delta as a whole is a Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 303(d)-listed
15 waterbody for selenium (SWRCB 2011), and although monitoring data of fish
16 tissue or bird eggs in the Delta are sparse, the most likely areas in which biota
17 tissue selenium concentrations would be high enough that additional
18 bioaccumulation due to increased residence time from restoration areas would be
19 a concern are the western Delta and Suisun Bay (discussed below for sturgeon),
20 and the south Delta in areas that receive San Joaquin River water.

21 The South Delta receives elevated selenium loads from the San Joaquin River. In
22 contrast to Suisun Bay and possibly the western Delta in the future, the south
23 Delta lacks the Overbite Clam (*Corbula [Potamocorbula] amurensis*), which is
24 considered a key driver of selenium bioaccumulation in Suisun Bay because of its
25 high bioaccumulation of selenium and its role in the benthic food web that
26 includes long-lived sturgeon. The south Delta does have *Corbicula fluminea*,
27 another bivalve that bioaccumulates selenium, but it is not as invasive as the
28 Overbite Clam and thus likely makes up a smaller fraction of sturgeon diet. Also,
29 nonpoint sources of selenium in the San Joaquin Valley that contribute selenium
30 to the Delta will be controlled through a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL)
31 developed by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central
32 ValleyRWQCB) for the lower San Joaquin River, established limits for the
33 Grassland Bypass Project, and Basin Plan objectives (Central Valley RWQCB
34 2001, 2010; SWRCB 2010a, 2010b) that are expected to result in decreasing
35 discharges of selenium from the San Joaquin River to the Delta. Further, if
36 selenium levels in the San Joaquin River are not sufficiently reduced by these
37 efforts, it is expected that the SWRCB and Central Valley RWQCB would initiate
38 additional TMDLs to further control nonpoint sources of selenium.

39 **6D.2.2 Western Delta Sturgeon Assumptions**

40 Modeling for selenium bioaccumulation by sturgeon in the western Delta is
41 considered to be based on the most appropriate uptake factors available, which
42 were published recently by Presser and Luoma (2013) specifically for sturgeon in
43 northern San Francisco Bay estuary. The disparity between larger estimated
44 changes for sturgeon and smaller changes for other biota (that is, whole-body fish,
45 bird eggs, and fish fillets) is attributable largely to differences in modeling

1 approaches, as described previously. The model for most biota was calibrated to
2 encompass the varying concentration-dependent uptake from waterborne
3 selenium concentrations (expressed as the K_d , which is the ratio of selenium
4 concentrations in particulates [as the lowest level of the food chain] relative to the
5 waterborne concentration) that was exhibited in data for Largemouth Bass in
6 2000, 2005, and 2007 at various locations across the Delta. In contrast, the
7 modeling for sturgeon could not be similarly calibrated at the three western Delta
8 locations and used literature-derived uptake factors and TTFs for the estuary from
9 Presser and Luoma (2013). There was a significant negative log-log relationship
10 of K_d to waterborne selenium concentration that reflected the greater
11 bioaccumulation rates for bass at low waterborne selenium than at higher
12 concentrations. There was no difference in bass selenium concentrations in the
13 Sacramento River at Rio Vista compared to the San Joaquin River at Vernalis in
14 2000, 2005, and 2007 (Foe 2010a), despite a nearly 10-fold difference in
15 waterborne selenium concentrations. It is unknown whether this might also occur
16 in the sturgeon food web. Thus, there is more confidence in the site-specific
17 modeling based on the Delta-wide model that was calibrated for bass data than in
18 the estimates for sturgeon based on “fixed” K_d values for all years and for drought
19 years without regard to waterborne selenium concentration at the three locations
20 in different time periods.

21 The western Delta and Suisun Bay receive elevated selenium loads from North
22 San Francisco Bay (including San Pablo Bay, Carquinez Strait, and Suisun Bay)
23 and from the San Joaquin River. Point sources of selenium in North San
24 Francisco Bay (that is, refineries) that contribute selenium to Suisun Bay are
25 expected to be reduced through a TMDL under development by the San Francisco
26 Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (San Francisco Bay RWQCB 2012)
27 that is expected to result in decreasing discharges of selenium. Nonpoint sources
28 of selenium in the San Joaquin Valley that contribute selenium to the San Joaquin
29 River, and thus the Delta and Suisun Bay, will be controlled through a TMDL
30 developed by the Central Valley RWQCB (2001) for the lower San Joaquin
31 River, established limits for the GBP, and Basin Plan objectives (Central Valley
32 RWQCB 2010; SWRCB 2010a, 2010b) that are expected to result in decreasing
33 discharges of selenium from the San Joaquin River to the Delta. If selenium
34 levels are not sufficiently reduced via these efforts, it is expected that the SWRCB
35 and the San Francisco Bay and Central Valley regional Water Quality Control
36 Boards would initiate additional actions to further control sources of selenium.

37 **6D.2.3 Model Application Methodology**

38 To evaluate differences in the impact assessment, modeled whole-body fish, bird
39 egg or fish fillet data were compared directly (for percent change) and to the
40 following threshold effect benchmarks:

- 41 • Whole-body fish for the Delta-wide model were compared to the Level of
42 Concern (4 milligrams per kilogram [mg/kg] dw; Beckon et al. 2008) and the
43 Toxicity Level (8.1 mg/kg dw; USEPA 2014) for fish tissue.

- 1 • Modeled bird egg selenium concentrations were compared to Level of
2 Concern (6 mg/kg dw) and Toxicity Level (10 mg/kg dw) values from Beckon
3 et al. (2008).
 - 4 • Fish fillet data were compared to the Advisory Tissue Level (2.5 µg/g ww) for
5 human consumption of fish (OEHHA 2008).
 - 6 • Whole-body selenium concentrations in sturgeon were compared to Low
7 Effect (5 mg/kg dw) and High Effect (8 mg/kg dw) guidelines from Presser
8 and Luoma (2013).
- 9 Results of comparisons to these benchmarks are expressed as Exceedance
10 Quotients (EQs) in some of the tables and figures. Annual average selenium
11 concentrations in water did not exceed the 5.0 µg/L(4-day average) or 20 µg/L
12 (1-hour average) criterion, so no EQs were calculated.

13 **6D.2.3.1 No Action Alternative and Second Basis of Comparison Models**

14 The purpose of the No Action Alternative and the Second Basis of Comparison
15 for comparison with the forecasts of the alternative models was to determine
16 whether the implementation of the proposed alternatives is likely to result in
17 substantial impacts to selenium, thereby affecting biological resources. The No
18 Action Alternative and the Second Basis of Comparison models were completed
19 for five Delta interior, three western Delta, and four major Delta diversion
20 locations. DSM2 post-processing output provided estimates of the waterborne
21 selenium concentration at each of those 12 locations (Table 6D.9). The Delta-
22 specific selenium bioaccumulation model that was calibrated using Largemouth
23 Bass data from the Delta was then used to estimate selenium concentrations in
24 whole-body fish and then in bird eggs and fish fillets. Selenium concentrations in
25 sturgeon inhabiting the western Delta (represented by three locations) were
26 estimated using recently published literature parameters. Modeled selenium
27 concentrations in whole-body fish (predatory fish throughout the Delta or
28 sturgeon in the western Delta), bird egg or fish fillet data were compared to the
29 threshold effect benchmarks listed previously. The modeled tissue selenium
30 concentrations themselves and the EQs (based on comparisons to thresholds) both
31 served as a basis for comparison of other alternatives to identify potential impacts.

32 **6D.2.3.2 Alternative Models**

33 For each of the alternative model simulations, the same procedure as described for
34 the No Action Alternative and the Second Basis of Comparison models was used,
35 with similar assumptions, to estimate waterborne selenium concentrations and
36 selenium concentrations in fish and bird eggs. Each alternative model simulation
37 for each type of biota (whole-body fish [either using the Delta-wide model for
38 bass or the western Delta sturgeon model], bird eggs, or fish fillets) was compared
39 to both the No Action Alternative and the Second Basis of Comparison to
40 determine potentially significant impacts.

1 **6D.3 Modeling Results**

2 The post-processing tool is Excel-based. The general pre-processing and input
3 files development are described in the modeling data assumptions sections above.
4 This section focuses on data analysis and results interpretation for the impact
5 assessment.

6 **6D.3.1 Post-processing and Results Analysis: Delta-wide Model**

7 Output data resulting from the model simulations for each alternative are
8 processed to provide a tabular depiction of potential impacts to fish and wildlife
9 (Tables 6D.13 through 6D.15). As discussed previously, outputs from the post-
10 processing model used in this analysis are annual average selenium fish tissue
11 concentrations for all year types and separately presented for the subset of drought
12 years.

13 The variation in concentrations between the No Action Alternative, Second Basis
14 of Comparison, and Alternatives 1 through 5 was less than 5 percent
15 (Tables 6D.13 through 6D.15). Annual average concentrations do not exceed the
16 selenium thresholds at all locations modeled in the Delta for all years and drought
17 years both as measured and as modeled. Results are shown in Tables 6D.9
18 through 6D.15 and Figures 6D.7 through 6D.10. Table 6D.9 presents the period-
19 average waterborne selenium concentrations by location and water year type that
20 were used to model fish tissue (whole-body and fillet) and bird egg concentrations
21 (Tables 6D.10 through 6D.12).

22 All estimated selenium concentrations in water and biota (whole-body fish, bird
23 eggs, and fish fillets) were below the benchmarks used for evaluation (presented
24 in Section 6D.2.4). The highest estimated selenium concentrations were for
25 Alternative 1 in the San Joaquin River at San Andreas Landing and Sacramento
26 River at Emmaton, and Alternative 3 in the North Bay Aqueduct at Barker Slough
27 in drought years (Tables 6D.10 through 6D.12). Changes in estimated selenium
28 concentrations for Alternatives 3 and 5 compared to the No Action Alternative
29 and Alternative 1 were less than 4 percent (Tables 6D.14 and 6D.15).

30 **6D.3.2 Post-processing and Results Analysis: Western Delta** 31 **Sturgeon Model**

32 Output data resulting from the sturgeon model simulations for each alternative at
33 the three western Delta locations were processed to provide a tabular depiction of
34 potential impacts to sturgeon. Table 6D.16 presents the period-average
35 waterborne selenium concentrations by location and water year type that were
36 used to model fish tissue concentrations (Table 6D.17). As discussed previously,
37 outputs from the post-processing model used in this analysis are annual average
38 selenium concentrations in whole-body sturgeon for all year types and separately
39 presented for the subset of drought years.

40 The expected variations in whole-body sturgeon selenium concentrations between
41 the No Action Alternative, the Second Basis of Comparison, and Alternatives 1
42 through 5 were less than 1 mg/kg dw (Table 6D.17). The highest estimated

1 selenium concentrations were for drought years at all three locations with little
2 difference among alternatives. Annual average sturgeon concentrations slightly
3 exceeded the low selenium thresholds for all locations and alternatives for
4 drought years, but not for all years. Results of comparisons to the thresholds are
5 shown in Table 6D.18 and Figure 6D.11. Estimated selenium concentrations did
6 not exceed high thresholds.

7 Changes in estimated selenium concentrations compared to the No Action
8 Alternative and Alternative 1 are less than 5 percent for all years and for drought
9 years (Table 6D.19). The largest predicted changes were a small decrease under
10 Alternative 3 relative to the No Action Alternative for the San Joaquin River at
11 Antioch in all years and a small increase predicted for Alternative 5 relative to
12 Second Basis of Comparison at that location in all years. Both of these predicted
13 changes were less than 5 percent. However, as noted previously, even the
14 expected changes for the San Joaquin River at Antioch for Alternatives 3 and 5 as
15 compared to the No Action Alternative or the Second Basis of Comparison were
16 less than 1 mg/kg dw. It is not likely that such small changes in whole-body
17 selenium concentrations would be detectable under field conditions.

18 **6D.3.3 Model Limitations and Applicability**

19 Although it is impossible to predict future hydrology, land use, and water use with
20 certainty, the selenium model and DSM2 were used to forecast impacts to fish and
21 wildlife that could result from implementation of the alternatives. The selenium
22 model for sturgeon has greater uncertainty than the selenium model for bass
23 because the sturgeon model was not as finely calibrated for varying K_d relative to
24 waterborne selenium concentrations throughout the Delta, as discussed in Section
25 6D.2.2. Mathematical models like DSM2 can only approximate processes of
26 physical systems. Models are inherently inexact because the mathematical
27 description of the physical system is imperfect and the understanding of
28 interrelated physical processes is incomplete. However, the selenium models are
29 powerful tools that, when used carefully, can provide useful insight into processes
30 of the physical system. Selenium concentrations for inflow sources to the Delta
31 (for example, agriculture in the Delta, Yolo Bypass, Eastside Tributaries) also
32 caused uncertainty in the modeling because of limited data. For the Sacramento
33 River and the San Joaquin River, approximately 90 data points (Chapter 6,
34 Table 6.58; Table 6D.1) were used to estimate the mean selenium concentrations
35 for these inflow sources, whereas the mean selenium concentrations for other
36 inflow sources to the Delta had many fewer (0 to 14) data points (concentrations
37 for the Eastside Tributaries were assumed).

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1 **Table 6D.2 Calculation of Quarterly Average Selenium Concentrations for DSM2 Output Locations Based on Percentage of Flow at Each Location from Different Sources: Year 2000**

DSM2 Output Water Location	Inflow Source → Inflow Location → Selenium (µg/L) →	First Quarter Inflow Percentage						Second Quarter Inflow Percentage						Third Quarter Inflow Percentage						Fourth Quarter Inflow Percentage						Estimated Waterborne Selenium Concentrations (µg/L)					
		Delta Ag.	East Delta Tributaries	Sac. R.	San Joaq. R.	Martinez/ Suisun Bay	Yolo Bypass	Delta Ag.	East Delta Tributaries	Sac. R.	San Joaq. R.	Martinez/ Suisun Bay	Yolo Bypass	Delta Ag.	East Delta Tributaries	Sac. R.	San Joaq. R.	Martinez/ Suisun Bay	Yolo Bypass	Delta Ag.	East Delta Tributaries	Sac. R.	San Joaq. R.	Martinez/ Suisun Bay	Yolo Bypass	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Annual	
		Mildred Island, Center	Mokelumne Calaveras Cosumnes Rivers	Freeport	Vernalis	San Joaq. R. near Mallard Island	Sac. R. below Knights Landing	Mildred Island, Center	Mokelumne Calaveras Cosumnes Rivers	Freeport	Vernalis	San Joaq. R. near Mallard Island	Sac. R. below Knights Landing	Mildred Island, Center	Mokelumne Calaveras Cosumnes Rivers	Freeport	Vernalis	San Joaq. R. near Mallard Island	Sac. R. below Knights Landing	Mildred Island, Center	Mokelumne Calaveras Cosumnes Rivers	Freeport	Vernalis	San Joaq. R. near Mallard Island	Sac. R. below Knights Landing						
Big Break	BIGBRK_MID	2.94	6.88	53.15	6.59	0.18	5.70	2.95	6.37	73.59	13.55	0.27	3.12	3.13	0.45	85.63	0.44	4.15	6.12	2.13	0.20	84.85	0.02	8.76	3.96	0.13	0.20	0.10	0.10	0.13	
Cache Slough	CACHS_LEN	1.46	0	53.38	0	0	31.91	1.24	1.5E-05	85.07	2.5E-05	0	13.25	1.66	4.7E-07	85.95	4.3E-07	5.9E-07	12.23	1.32	2.8E-06	89.83	1.1E-07	2.3E-05	8.67	0.12	0.11	0.11	0.10	0.11	
Cache Slough	CACHSR_MID	2.88	0	54.86	0	0	20.48	3.36	9.8E-07	79.75	1.9E-06	0	16.25	1.90	9.3E-08	84.53	1.8E-07	9.2E-12	13.38	1.81	1.0E-07	89.45	6.2E-10	3.0E-06	8.54	0.10	0.11	0.11	0.10	0.11	
Ryer																															
Cosumnes R.	COSR_LEN	8.1E-06	98.82	0	0	0	0	100.00	0	0	0	0	0	100.00	0	0	0	0	0	100.00	0	0	0	0	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	
Franks Tract	FRANKST_MID	5.06	11.56	43.94	15.79	0.02	0.32	4.17	9.42	61.16	23.89	0.01	1.22	4.04	0.57	90.34	0.41	0.80	3.78	2.76	0.62	91.38	0.12	2.42	2.64	0.19	0.27	0.10	0.10	0.16	
Little Holland Tract	LHOLND_LO	72.35	0	5.06	0	0	6.50	23.38	8.2E-07	63.10	1.6E-06	0	13.03	18.48	2.2E-07	68.67	4.2E-07	7.2E-13	12.68	19.63	2.6E-09	72.79	0	0	7.42	0.10	0.11	0.11	0.10	0.11	
Middle R Bullfrog	MIDRBULFRG_LEN	10.54	13.07	18.37	32.20	1.9E-03	3.2E-03	5.49	9.19	14.96	70.17	4.2E-04	0.10	7.81	6.43	69.63	14.94	0.12	1.02	4.86	6.31	59.79	27.84	1	0.68	0.31	0.61	0.20	0.30	0.36	
Mildred Island	MILDRISL_MID	7.47	14.31	22.79	30.23	2.4E-03	1.8E-03	4.77	10.05	18.48	66.48	6.7E-04	0.13	6.57	4.57	83.28	4.14	0.15	1.25	4.50	6.63	71.28	16.13	0.61	0.82	0.29	0.58	0.12	0.21	0.30	
Mok. R. below Cosum.	MOKBCOS_LEN	2.07	96.19	0	0	0	0	1.65	98.35	0	0	0	0	7.23	92.77	4.7E-09	0	0	0	2.47	97.53	0	0	0	0	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	
Mok. R. downstream Cosum.	MOKDCOS_MID	2.07	96.43	0	0	0	0	1.68	98.32	0	0	0	0	7.08	92.92	0	0	0	0	2.34	97.66	0	0	0	0	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	
Old R near Paradise Cut	OLDRNPARADSEC_MID	6.24	0	0	87.26	0	0	14.40	1.67	5.21	78.66	1.2E-05	0.04	10.56	3.9E-05	1.3E-04	89.44	8.8E-28	3.0E-07	2.50	1.1E-04	3.5E-04	97.50	2.8E-20	1.7E-07	0.73	0.68	0.75	0.81	0.74	
Paradise Cut	PARADSECUT_LEN	4.69	0	0	91.37	0	0	2.62	0.06	0.15	97.16	1.5E-07	1.1E-03	3.43	0	0	96.57	0	0	0.96	0	0	99.04	0	0	0.76	0.81	0.81	0.82	0.80	
Port of Stockton	PORTOSTOCK_LO	1.67	0	0	18.85	0	0	2.22	0	0	60.73	0	0	3.09	0	0	81.32	0	0	2.70	0	0	89.89	0	0	0.16	0.51	0.68	0.75	0.52	
Sac. R. at Isleton	SACRISLTON_LO	0.33	0	95.77	0	0	0	0.31	0.00	99.60	0	0	5.5E-05	0.44	0	99.55	0	0	1.3E-05	0.28	0	99.72	0	0	1.1E-03	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	
Sac River RM 44	SACR44_LO	0.14	0	97.93	0	0	0	0.11	0	99.81	0	0	0	0.13	0	99.86	0	0	0	0.05	0	99.94	0	0	0	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	
Sandmound Sl.	SANDMND_MID	6.36	10.51	43.82	12.90	0.03	0.57	5.22	8.81	63.78	20.40	0.03	1.63	5.24	0.61	87.78	0.49	1.22	4.59	3.31	0.43	89.58	0.06	3.44	3.11	0.17	0.25	0.10	0.10	0.15	
Sherman Island	SHERMNLND_LO	1.64	3.45	52.71	3.93	0.60	12.10	2.48	4.95	76.80	10.96	0.96	3.67	2.60	0.40	81.69	0.46	8.21	6.56	1.77	0.11	77.64	0.01	16.46	3.94	0.11	0.18	0.10	0.10	0.12	
SJR Bowman	SJRBOWMN_MID	1.40	0	0	94.03	0	0	1.52	0	0	98.48	0	0	3.00	0	97.00	0	0	0.33	0	0	99.67	0	0	0	0.78	0.82	0.81	0.83	0.81	
SJR N Hwy4	SJRNHWY4_MID	3.49	0	0	89.96	0	0	1.87	0	0	98.13	0	0	3.91	0	96.09	0	0	0.72	0	0	99.28	0	0	0	0.75	0.82	0.80	0.82	0.80	
SJR Naval st	SJRNAVLSL_LO	8.89	12.70	0.00	65.44	0	0	2.69	6.26	0	90.94	0	0	5.98	10.89	0	83.00	0	0	2.02	3.10	0.00	94.84	0	0	0.57	0.76	0.71	0.79	0.71	
SJR Potato Slough	SJRPOTSL_MID	3.15	12.62	55.38	12.40	0.01	0.06	3.05	10.32	65.93	19.73	0.01	0.86	2.63	0.35	93.54	0.20	0.45	2.79	2.06	0.80	93.46	0.06	1.47	2.11	0.17	0.24	0.10	0.09	0.15	
SJR Turner	SJRTURNR_MID	8.81	9.28	2.55	56.31	5.3E-05	1.0E-05	3.33	5.77	0.41	90.39	6.3E-06	2.4E-03	8.69	13.75	17.87	59.41	0.01	0.16	3.23	4.83	7.34	84.49	0.03	0.05	0.49	0.76	0.53	0.72	0.62	
SJR/Pt.	ASRANTFSH_MID	1.92	4.35	55.13	4.50	0.44	10.23	2.45	4.72	77.70	10.28	0.76	3.91	2.64	0.35	83.38	0.38	6.66	6.52	1.82	0.12	80.54	0.01	13.33	4.11	0.12	0.17	0.10	0.10	0.12	
Antioch/fish pier																															
Suisun Bay	SUISNB_LEN	0.81	1.22	45.93	1.24	16.49	15.94	0.92	1.66	49.51	3.61	41.10	2.95	0.80	0.23	27.56	0.40	68.55	2.42	0.60	0.03	28.62	0.01	69.16	1.54	0.11	0.13	0.10	0.10	0.11	
Sycamore Slough	SYCAMOR_MID	6.50	50.69	15.18	0	0	0	5.89	76.86	16.89	2.8E-07	0	0	5.04	14.29	80.66	1.2E-31	0	0	4.23	31.10	64.66	0	0	0	0.07	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.09	
White Slough	WHITESL_LO	22.32	11.88	17.97	25.51	1.7E-08	6.0E-11	16.54	12.10	16.87	54.46	3.7E-09	6.1E-05	9.89	7.76	82.34	3.8E-03	3.0E-05	5.3E-04	11.19	12.92	75.64	0.24	4.2E-04	6.4E-04	0.26	0.50	0.09	0.10	0.24	
White Slough DS Disappointment Sl.	WHTSLDISPONT_LEN	14.83	22.63	29.02	22.45	5.4E-08	0	12.45	13.97	21.21	52.32	2.2E-09	2.3E-04	8.74	7.78	83.47	2.4E-03	4.0E-05	5.6E-04	5.28	14.84	79.82	0.05	5.0E-04	7.3E-04	0.25	0.48	0.09	0.09	0.23	

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1 **Table 6D.4 Calculation of Quarterly Average Selenium Concentrations for DSM2 Output Locations Based on Percentage of Flow at Each Location from Different Sources: Year 2007**

DSM2 Output Water Location	Inflow Source → Inflow Location → Selenium (µg/L) → Location ID	First Quarter Inflow Percentage						Second Quarter Inflow Percentage						Third Quarter Inflow Percentage						Fourth Quarter Inflow Percentage						Estimated Waterborne Selenium Concentrations (µg/L)					
		Delta Ag.	East Delta Tributaries	Sac. R.	San Joaq. R.	Martinez/Suisun Bay	Yolo Bypass	Delta Ag.	East Delta Tributaries	Sac. R.	San Joaq. R.	Martinez/Suisun Bay	Yolo Bypass	Delta Ag.	East Delta Tributaries	Sac. R.	San Joaq. R.	Martinez/Suisun Bay	Yolo Bypass	Delta Ag.	East Delta Tributaries	Sac. R.	San Joaq. R.	Martinez/Suisun Bay	Yolo Bypass	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Annual	
		Mildred Island, Center	Mokelumne Calaveras Cosumnes Rivers	Freeport	Vernalis	San Joaq. R. near Mallard Island	Sac. R. below Knights Landing	Mildred Island, Center	Mokelumne Calaveras Cosumnes Rivers	Freeport	Vernalis	San Joaq. R. near Mallard Island	Sac. R. below Knights Landing	Mildred Island, Center	Mokelumne Calaveras Cosumnes Rivers	Freeport	Vernalis	San Joaq. R. near Mallard Island	Sac. R. below Knights Landing	Mildred Island, Center	Mokelumne Calaveras Cosumnes Rivers	Freeport	Vernalis	San Joaq. R. near Mallard Island	Sac. R. below Knights Landing						
Big Break	BIGBRK_MID	2.66	1.75	93.01	0.07	2.30	0.21	4.40	3.10	84.13	4.24	1.24	2.89	3.58	0.32	81.60	0.79	9.45	4.27	2.60	0.11	84.06	0.04	8.53	4.65	0.09	0.12	0.10	0.10	0.10	
Cache Slough	CACHS_LEN	1.86	1.4E-05	97.14	2.2E-07	2.8E-05	1.01	1.99	5.1E-04	88.84	8.8E-04	1.6E-05	9.17	1.92	9.1E-06	89.20	1.9E-05	1.6E-06	8.88	1.64	1.9E-05	91.73	8.5E-06	5.1E-04	6.62	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	
Cache Slough	CACHSR_MID	2.85	1.8E-06	96.46	4.7E-08	1.5E-05	0.68	2.66	1.2E-04	88.76	1.8E-04	1.4E-06	8.58	2.16	1.5E-05	88.35	3.1E-05	3.1E-07	9.49	1.96	4.5E-06	90.83	2.8E-06	1.9E-04	7.21	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	
Ryer																															
Cosumnes R.	COSR_LEN	0.00	100.00	0	0	0	0.00	0.01	99.99	0	0	0	0	0.09	99.91	0	0	0	0	0	100.00	0	0	0	0.00	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	
Franks Tract	FRANKST_MID	3.85	4.08	90.69	0.32	0.94	0.11	6.16	5.35	77.86	9.10	0.16	1.38	4.86	0.34	88.03	0.84	2.96	2.98	3.19	0.32	91.15	0.17	2.23	2.95	0.09	0.14	0.10	0.10	0.11	
Little Holland Tract	LHOLND_LO	29.80	0.00	69.38	1.2E-07	5.3E-05	0.81	22.80	8.0E-05	71.18	1.1E-04	5.2E-06	6.02	18.52	2.4E-05	73.18	0.00	4.9E-07	8.30	21.64	5.2E-07	71.72	1.4E-06	4.9E-05	6.64	0.10	0.10	0.11	0.10	0.10	
Middle R Bullfrog	MIDRBULFRG_LEN	8.32	10.69	59.08	21.39	0.48	0.04	9.69	10.67	38.75	40.64	0.03	0.22	8.41	3.92	81.16	4.51	0.87	1.14	5.81	4.90	72.42	15.36	0.57	0.94	0.20	0.29	0.12	0.17	0.19	
Mildred Island	MILDDRISL_MID	7.42	11.13	68.24	12.63	0.54	0.04	8.53	10.39	42.57	38.23	0.03	0.25	6.49	1.12	88.25	1.83	1.00	1.30	4.91	4.55	80.81	7.99	0.66	1.08	0.15	0.28	0.10	0.13	0.17	
Mok. R. below Cosum.	MOKBCOS_LEN	1.46	98.54	0	0	0	0	6.32	93.68	6.5E-04	0	0	0	15.09	84.81	0.10	6.2E-35	0	0	2.30	97.70	0	0	0	0	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	
Mok. R. downstream Cosum.	MOKDCOS_MID	1.46	98.54	0	0	0	0	6.42	93.58	0	0	0	0	15.19	84.81	3.2E-04	0	0	0	2.27	97.73	0	0	0	0	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	
Old R near Paradise Cut	OLDRNPARADSEC_MID	3.95	5E-12	3E-06	96.05	1.7E-16	2.5E-17	15.73	1.81	12.66	69.68	0.02	0.10	10.18	1.9E-05	1.6E-04	89.82	6.9E-08	6.5E-07	2.31	9.2E-04	0.01	97.68	0	9.7E-05	0.56	0.43	0.53	0.57	0.52	
Paradise Cut	PARADSECUT_LEN	1.91	0	0	98.09	0	0	4.98	0.11	0.61	94.29	6.7E-04	3.7E-03	7.14	0	0	92.86	0	0	1.24	4.1E-03	0.05	98.71	4.1E-04	4.5E-04	0.57	0.55	0.55	0.57	0.56	
Port of Stockton	PORTOSTOCK_LO	1.48	0	0	98.52	0	0	2.29	0	0	97.71	0	0	6.32	0.04	0	93.64	0	0	7.16	0.05	0	92.78	0	0	0.57	0.57	0.55	0.55	0.56	
Sac. R. at Isleton	SACRISLTON_LO	0.45	0	99.55	0	0	2.1E-06	0.63	8.8E-05	99.36	5.7E-08	0	0.01	0.49	0	99.51	0	0	2.9E-04	0.39	1.0E-08	99.61	0	6.7E-07	0.01	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	
Sac River RM 44	SACR44_LO	0.20	0	99.80	0	0	0	0.30	0	99.70	0	0	0	0.15	0	99.85	0	0	0	0.11	0	99.89	0	0	0	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	
Sandmound Sl.	SANDMND_MID	4.47	3.23	90.83	0.17	1.17	0.13	7.20	4.64	79.23	6.98	0.23	1.71	6.15	0.39	84.96	0.98	4.06	3.46	3.79	0.22	89.26	0.10	3.11	3.51	0.09	0.13	0.10	0.10	0.10	
Sherman Island	SHERMNLND_LO	2.14	0.95	92.16	0.04	4.49	0.23	3.69	2.31	83.94	2.94	4.01	3.11	2.99	0.32	77.36	0.77	14.22	4.34	2.22	0.06	75.89	0.03	17.11	4.68	0.09	0.11	0.10	0.10	0.10	
SJR Bowman	SJRBOWMN_MID	0.88	0	0	99.12	0	0	3.52	0	0	96.48	0	0	8.49	2.5E-04	0	91.51	0	0	0.91	0	0	99.09	0	0	0.58	0.56	0.54	0.58	0.56	
SJR N Hwy4	SJRNHWY4_MID	1.82	2.8E-08	0	98.18	0	0	4.35	1.4E-07	0	95.65	0	0	12.54	0.08	4.0E-26	87.39	0	0	1.89	1.3E-04	0	98.11	0	0	0.57	0.56	0.52	0.57	0.56	
SJR Naval st	SJRNAVLSL_LO	4.83	6.83	0	88.35	0	0	5.86	11.12	1.3E-06	83.02	0	0	12.06	40.15	3.4E-03	47.78	6.2E-07	6.3E-06	4.73	6.37	2.5E-04	88.90	5.4E-09	7.0E-09	0.52	0.50	0.33	0.53	0.47	
SJR Potato Slough	SJRPOTSL_MID	2.91	5.22	91.00	0.15	0.61	0.10	4.89	5.67	79.70	8.49	0.10	1.16	3.16	0.19	91.86	0.46	1.88	2.44	2.37	0.33	93.43	0.10	1.44	2.33	0.09	0.13	0.10	0.09	0.10	
SJR Turner	SJRTURNR_MID	7.22	10.11	10.82	71.76	0.08	0.01	7.49	11.95	7.23	73.31	2.9E-03	0.02	11.09	11.29	65.50	11.02	0.46	0.63	6.16	6.57	36.18	50.55	0.19	0.35	0.44	0.45	0.15	0.34	0.35	
SJR/Pt.	ASRANTFSH_MID	2.17	1.01	92.90	0.04	3.62	0.26	3.74	2.30	84.37	3.04	3.24	3.31	3.00	0.27	79.62	0.65	12.05	3.40	2.27	0.07	78.73	0.03	14.08	4.82	0.09	0.11	0.10	0.10	0.10	
Antioch/fish pier																															
Suisun Bay	SUISNB_LEN	0.87	0.23	46.77	0.01	51.97	0.14	0.94	0.51	31.58	0.43	65.55	0.98	0.84	0.16	21.30	0.36	76.08	1.25	0.59	0.02	21.39	0.01	76.63	1.36	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	
Sycamore Slough	SYCAMOR_MID	10.20	72.58	17.22	5.1E-10	9.7E-14	4.3E-29	13.62	50.90	35.47	0.01	4.0E-09	1.1E-07	5.33	3.90	90.77	1.9E-16	3.8E-25	1.1E-22	3.69	20.36	75.95	6.0E-19	1.1E-37	2.4E-31	0.10	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.10	
White Slough	WHITESL_LO	20.35	16.73	61.67	1.25	4.8E-03	2.4E-04	33.31	13.41	23.49	29.78	3.9E-04	3.2E-03	15.53	1.33	83.05	0.09	1.2E-03	2.0E-03	9.35	8.62	81.98	0.04	3.7E-04	7.1E-04	0.10	0.24	0.09	0.09	0.13	
White Slough DS Disappointment Sl.	WHTSLDISPONT_LEN	10.09	24.12	65.07	0.71	4.1E-03	1.9E-04	17.00	13.60	32.29	37.10	1.4E-03	0.01	7.70	1.46	90.83	1.5E-03	1.3E-03	2.2E-03	5.21	9.69	85.06	0.03	9.7E-04	2.1E-03	0.10	0.28	0.09	0.09	0.14	

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1 **Table 6D.5 Selenium Bioaccumulation from Water (µg/L) to Particulates and Fish (µg/g, dw) Using Models 1 and 2**

DSM2 Delta Water Location	Year 2000									Year 2005						Year 2007								
	Concentration					Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio		Concentration					Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio		Concentration					Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio	
	DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 1 Fish	Model 2 Fish		Model 1	Model 2	DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 1 Fish	Model 2 Fish		Model 1	Model 2	DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 1 Fish	Model 2 Fish		Model 1	Model 2
	First Quarter									First Quarter						First Quarter								
Sacramento River RM 44	0.09	0.09	0.25	0.27	0.30	2.6	0.10	0.11	0.09	0.09	0.25	0.28	0.31	1.5	0.19	0.21	0.09	0.09	0.25	0.28	0.31	1.8	0.15	0.17
Cache Slough Rye ^b	0.10	0.10	0.28	0.31	0.34	1.5	0.21	0.23	0.09	0.09	0.26	0.29	0.31	1.7	0.17	0.18	0.09	0.09	0.26	0.28	0.31	2.5	0.11	0.12
San Joaquin River Potato Slough	0.17	0.17	0.47	0.52	0.57	1.4	0.38	0.42	0.14	0.14	0.40	0.44	0.48	1.3	0.33	0.37	0.09	0.09	0.26	0.28	0.31	2.5	0.11	0.13
Franks Tract	0.19	0.19	0.53	0.58	0.64	1.6	0.35	0.39	0.15	0.15	0.41	0.45	0.49	1.1	0.39	0.43	0.09	0.09	0.26	0.29	0.32	3.0	0.10	0.11
Big Break	0.13	0.13	0.35	0.39	0.43	1.6	0.25	0.28	0.11	0.11	0.31	0.34	0.37	1.0	0.33	0.37	0.09	0.09	0.26	0.28	0.31	2.8	0.10	0.11
Middle River Bullfrog	0.31	0.31	0.86	0.95	1.05	NA	NA	NA	0.46	0.46	1.29	1.42	1.56	1.9	0.7	0.8	0.20	0.20	0.55	0.61	0.67	2.1	0.3	0.3
Old River near Paradise Cut ^c	0.73	0.73	2.05	2.25	2.48	NA	NA	NA	0.78	0.78	2.19	2.41	2.66	2.4	1.0	1.1	0.56	0.56	1.57	1.73	1.90	NA	NA	NA
Knights Landing ^d	0.23	0.23	0.64	0.71	0.78	NA	NA	NA	0.23	0.23	0.64	0.71	0.78	2.2	0.3	0.4	0.23	0.23	0.64	0.71	0.78	NA	NA	NA
Vernalis ^e	0.83	0.83	2.32	2.56	2.81	1.7	1.50	1.65	0.85	0.85	2.38	2.62	2.88	1.9	1.38	1.52	0.58	0.58	1.62	1.79	1.97	2.4	0.74	0.82
	Second Quarter									Second Quarter						Second Quarter								
Sacramento River RM 44	0.09	0.09	0.25	0.28	0.30	2.6	0.11	0.12	0.09	0.09	0.25	0.28	0.30	1.5	0.19	0.21	0.09	0.09	0.25	0.28	0.31	1.8	0.15	0.17
Cache Slough Rye ^b	0.11	0.11	0.32	0.35	0.38	1.5	0.23	0.26	0.10	0.10	0.27	0.30	0.33	1.7	0.17	0.19	0.10	0.10	0.29	0.32	0.35	2.5	0.12	0.14
San Joaquin River Potato Slough	0.24	0.24	0.67	0.74	0.81	1.4	0.54	0.60	0.36	0.36	1.02	1.12	1.23	1.3	0.86	0.94	0.13	0.13	0.38	0.42	0.46	2.5	0.17	0.18
Franks Tract	0.27	0.27	0.76	0.83	0.92	1.6	0.51	0.56	0.49	0.49	1.36	1.50	1.65	1.1	1.31	1.44	0.14	0.14	0.39	0.43	0.47	3.0	0.14	0.16
Big Break	0.20	0.20	0.55	0.60	0.66	1.6	0.39	0.43	0.30	0.30	0.83	0.91	1.00	1.0	0.89	0.98	0.12	0.12	0.33	0.36	0.39	2.8	0.13	0.14
Middle River Bullfrog	0.61	0.61	1.71	1.88	2.07	NA	NA	NA	0.75	0.75	2.09	2.30	2.53	1.9	1.2	1.3	0.29	0.29	0.82	0.90	0.99	2.1	0.4	0.5
Old River near Paradise Cut ^c	0.68	0.68	1.89	2.08	2.29	NA	NA	NA	0.84	0.84	2.35	2.59	2.84	2.4	1.1	1.2	0.43	0.43	1.22	1.34	1.47	NA	NA	NA
Knights Landing ^d	0.23	0.23	0.64	0.71	0.78	NA	NA	NA	0.23	0.23	0.64	0.71	0.78	2.2	0.3	0.4	0.23	0.23	0.64	0.71	0.78	NA	NA	NA
Vernalis ^e	0.83	0.83	2.32	2.56	2.81	1.7	1.50	1.65	0.85	0.85	2.38	2.62	2.88	1.9	1.38	1.52	0.58	0.58	1.62	1.79	1.97	2.4	0.74	0.82
	Third Quarter									Third Quarter						Third Quarter								
Sacramento River RM 44	0.09	0.09	0.25	0.28	0.30	2.6	0.11	0.12	0.09	0.09	0.25	0.28	0.31	1.5	0.19	0.21	0.09	0.09	0.25	0.28	0.31	1.8	0.15	0.17
Cache Slough Rye ^b	0.11	0.11	0.31	0.34	0.37	1.5	0.22	0.25	0.09	0.09	0.25	0.28	0.31	1.7	0.16	0.18	0.10	0.10	0.29	0.32	0.35	2.5	0.13	0.14
San Joaquin River Potato Slough	0.10	0.10	0.27	0.30	0.32	1.4	0.22	0.24	0.10	0.10	0.27	0.30	0.33	1.3	0.23	0.25	0.10	0.10	0.27	0.30	0.33	2.5	0.12	0.13
Franks Tract	0.10	0.10	0.28	0.31	0.34	1.6	0.19	0.20	0.11	0.11	0.29	0.32	0.36	1.1	0.28	0.31	0.10	0.10	0.28	0.31	0.34	3.0	0.10	0.11
Big Break	0.10	0.10	0.29	0.32	0.35	1.6	0.20	0.22	0.10	0.10	0.29	0.32	0.35	1.0	0.31	0.35	0.10	0.10	0.28	0.31	0.34	2.8	0.11	0.12
Middle River Bullfrog	0.20	0.20	0.57	0.63	0.69	NA	NA	NA	0.30	0.30	0.83	0.91	1.01	1.9	0.5	0.5	0.12	0.12	0.32	0.36	0.39	2.1	0.2	0.2
Old River near Paradise Cut ^c	0.75	0.75	2.11	2.32	2.55	NA	NA	NA	0.80	0.80	2.24	2.47	2.71	2.4	1.0	1.1	0.53	0.53	1.49	1.64	1.80	NA	NA	NA
Knights Landing ^d	0.23	0.23	0.64	0.71	0.78	NA	NA	NA	0.23	0.23	0.64	0.71	0.78	2.2	0.3	0.4	0.23	0.23	0.64	0.71	0.78	NA	NA	NA
Vernalis ^e	0.83	0.83	2.32	2.56	2.81	1.7	1.50	1.65	0.85	0.85	2.38	2.62	2.88	1.9	1.38	1.52	0.58	0.58	1.62	1.79	1.97	2.4	0.74	0.82

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DSM2 Delta Water Location	Year 2000									Year 2005						Year 2007								
	Concentration					Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio		Concentration					Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio		Concentration					Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio	
	DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 1 Fish	Model 2 Fish		Model 1	Model 2	DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 1 Fish	Model 2 Fish		Model 1	Model 2	DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 1 Fish	Model 2 Fish		Model 1	Model 2
Fourth Quarter									Fourth Quarter						Fourth Quarter									
Sacramento River RM 44	0.09	0.09	0.25	0.28	0.30	2.6	0.11	0.12	0.09	0.09	0.25	0.28	0.31	1.5	0.19	0.21	0.09	0.09	0.25	0.28	0.30	1.8	0.15	0.17
Cache Slough Ryer ^b	0.10	0.10	0.29	0.31	0.35	1.5	0.21	0.23	0.09	0.09	0.26	0.28	0.31	1.7	0.16	0.18	0.10	0.10	0.28	0.31	0.34	2.5	0.12	0.13
San Joaquin River Potato Slough	0.09	0.09	0.26	0.29	0.32	1.4	0.21	0.23	0.09	0.09	0.25	0.28	0.31	1.3	0.21	0.24	0.09	0.09	0.26	0.29	0.32	2.5	0.12	0.13
Franks Tract	0.10	0.10	0.27	0.29	0.32	1.6	0.18	0.20	0.09	0.09	0.26	0.28	0.31	1.1	0.25	0.27	0.10	0.10	0.27	0.30	0.32	3.0	0.10	0.11
Big Break	0.10	0.10	0.27	0.30	0.33	1.6	0.19	0.21	0.09	0.09	0.26	0.28	0.31	1.0	0.28	0.31	0.10	0.10	0.27	0.30	0.33	2.8	0.11	0.12
Middle River Bullfrog	0.30	0.30	0.84	0.92	1.01	NA	NA	NA	0.24	0.24	0.68	0.74	0.82	1.9	0.4	0.4	0.17	0.17	0.47	0.52	0.57	2.1	0.2	0.3
Old River near Paradise Cut ^c	0.81	0.81	2.27	2.50	2.75	NA	NA	NA	0.72	0.72	2.01	2.21	2.43	2.4	0.9	1.0	0.57	0.57	1.59	1.75	1.93	NA	NA	NA
Knights Landing ^d	0.23	0.23	0.64	0.71	0.78	NA	NA	NA	0.23	0.23	0.64	0.71	0.78	2.2	0.3	0.4	0.23	0.23	0.64	0.71	0.78	NA	NA	NA
Vernalis ^e	0.83	0.83	2.32	2.56	2.81	1.7	1.50	1.65	0.85	0.85	2.38	2.62	2.88	1.9	1.38	1.52	0.58	0.58	1.62	1.79	1.97	2.4	0.74	0.82

Notes:
 Equations from Presser and Luoma (2010a, 2010b) were used to calculate selenium concentrations for fish. Models 1 and 2 used the default (1.00) and the average selenium trophic transfer factors to aquatic insects (2.8) and fish (1.1 for all trophic levels).
 Model 1 = TL-3 Fish Eating Invertebrates
 Model 2 = TL-4 Fish Eating TL-3 Fish
 Invert. = invertebrate
 K_d = particulate concentration/water concentration ratio
 µg/g, dw = micrograms per gram, dry weight
 NA = not available; bass not collected here
 RM = river mile
 TL = trophic level
 a. Geometric mean calculated from whole-body largemouth bass data presented in Foe (2010a).
 b. Fish data collected at Rio Vista (Foe 2010a) were used to calculate geometric mean whole-body largemouth bass and ratios.
 c. Fish data collected at Old River near Tracy (Foe 2010a) were used to calculate geometric mean whole-body largemouth bass and ratios.
 d. Geometric mean of total selenium concentrations in water collected from years 2004, 2007, and 2008 (DWR Website 2009) was used to estimate selenium concentrations in particulates and biota (DSM2 data were not available). Fish data collected from Sacramento River at Veterans Bridge (Foe 2010a) were used to calculate mean whole-body largemouth bass and ratios.
 e. Geometric mean of selenium concentrations (total or dissolved was not specified) in water collected from years 1999–2000 (SWAMP Website 2009) was used to estimate Year 2000 selenium concentrations in particulates and biota (DSM2 data were not available); years 2004-2005 were used for Year 2005 estimates; and years 2007 were used for Year 2007 estimates.

1 **Table 6D.6 Selenium Bioaccumulation from Water (µg/L) to Particulates and Fish (µg/g, dw) Using Model 2 with Estimated K_d from All Years Regression for Model 3**

DSM2 Delta Water Location	Year 2000							Year 2005						Year 2007							
	Concentration				K _d	Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio Model 3	Concentration				K _d	Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio Model 3	Concentration				K _d	Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio Model 3
	DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 3 Fish				DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 3 Fish				DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 3 Fish			
	First Quarter							First Quarter						First Quarter							
Sacramento River RM 44	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.81	6060	2.6	0.69	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.81	5945	1.5	1.25	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.81	5946	1.8	0.98
Cache Slough Ryer ^b	0.10	0.54	1.50	1.82	5389	1.5	1.22	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.82	5783	1.7	1.05	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.81	5852	2.5	0.71
San Joaquin River Potato Slough	0.17	0.55	1.53	1.85	3229	1.4	1.36	0.14	0.54	1.52	1.84	3824	1.3	1.41	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.81	5819	2.5	0.73
Franks Tract	0.19	0.55	1.53	1.85	2904	1.6	1.13	0.15	0.54	1.52	1.84	3724	1.1	1.61	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.82	5762	3.0	0.61
Big Break	0.13	0.54	1.51	1.83	4295	1.6	1.18	0.11	0.54	1.51	1.82	4873	1.0	1.79	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.81	5850	2.8	0.64
Middle River Bullfrog	0.31	0.56	1.56	1.88	1801	NA	NA	0.46	0.56	1.57	1.90	1221	1.9	1.0	0.20	0.55	1.53	1.86	2773	2.1	0.87
Old River near Paradise Cut ^c	0.73	0.57	1.60	1.93	780	NA	NA	0.78	0.57	1.60	1.94	729	2.4	0.8	0.56	0.57	1.58	1.92	1007	NA	NA
Knights Landing ^d	0.23	0.55	1.54	1.87	2394	NA	NA	0.23	0.55	1.54	1.87	2394	2.2	0.8	0.23	0.55	1.54	1.87	2394	NA	NA
Vernalis ^e	0.83	0.57	1.60	1.94	689	1.7	1.14	0.85	0.57	1.60	1.94	674	1.9	1.02	0.58	0.57	1.59	1.92	976	2.4	0.80
	Second Quarter							Second Quarter						Second Quarter							
Sacramento River RM 44	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.81	5952	2.6	0.69	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.81	5947	1.5	1.25	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.81	5944	1.8	0.98
Cache Slough Ryer ^b	0.11	0.54	1.51	1.83	4777	1.5	1.22	0.10	0.54	1.50	1.82	5538	1.7	1.05	0.10	0.54	1.50	1.82	5241	2.5	0.72
San Joaquin River Potato Slough	0.24	0.55	1.54	1.87	2309	1.4	1.38	0.36	0.56	1.56	1.89	1537	1.3	1.45	0.13	0.54	1.52	1.84	4020	2.5	0.74
Franks Tract	0.27	0.55	1.55	1.87	2048	1.6	1.14	0.49	0.56	1.58	1.91	1159	1.1	1.67	0.14	0.54	1.52	1.84	3921	3.0	0.61
Big Break	0.20	0.55	1.53	1.86	2800	1.6	1.20	0.30	0.55	1.55	1.88	1876	1.0	1.84	0.12	0.54	1.51	1.83	4645	2.8	0.64
Middle River Bullfrog	0.61	0.57	1.59	1.92	928	NA	NA	0.75	0.57	1.60	1.93	764	1.9	1.0	0.29	0.55	1.55	1.88	1896	2.1	0.9
Old River near Paradise Cut ^c	0.68	0.57	1.59	1.93	842	NA	NA	0.84	0.57	1.60	1.94	682	2.4	0.8	0.43	0.56	1.57	1.90	1291	NA	NA
Knights Landing ^d	0.23	0.55	1.54	1.87	2394	NA	NA	0.23	0.55	1.54	1.87	2394	2.2	0.8	0.23	0.55	1.54	1.87	2394	NA	NA
Vernalis ^e	0.83	0.57	1.60	1.94	689	1.7	1.14	0.85	0.57	1.60	1.94	674	1.9	1.02	0.58	0.57	1.59	1.92	976	2.4	0.80
	Third Quarter							Third Quarter						Third Quarter							
Sacramento River RM 44	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.81	5947	2.6	0.69	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.81	5946	1.5	1.25	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.81	5946	1.8	0.98
Cache Slough Ryer ^b	0.11	0.54	1.51	1.82	4942	1.5	1.22	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.81	5914	1.7	1.05	0.10	0.54	1.51	1.82	5184	2.5	0.72
San Joaquin River Potato Slough	0.10	0.54	1.50	1.82	5592	1.4	1.34	0.10	0.54	1.50	1.82	5523	1.3	1.39	0.10	0.54	1.50	1.82	5557	2.5	0.73
Franks Tract	0.10	0.54	1.50	1.82	5412	1.6	1.10	0.11	0.54	1.51	1.82	5121	1.1	1.59	0.10	0.54	1.50	1.82	5393	3.0	0.61
Big Break	0.10	0.54	1.50	1.82	5227	1.6	1.17	0.10	0.54	1.51	1.82	5159	1.0	1.79	0.10	0.54	1.50	1.82	5291	2.8	0.64
Middle River Bullfrog	0.20	0.55	1.54	1.86	2688	NA	NA	0.30	0.55	1.55	1.88	1868	1.9	1.0	0.12	0.54	1.51	1.83	4656	2.1	0.86
Old River near Paradise Cut ^c	0.75	0.57	1.60	1.93	757	NA	NA	0.80	0.57	1.60	1.94	714	2.4	0.8	0.53	0.56	1.58	1.91	1061	NA	NA
Knights Landing ^d	0.23	0.55	1.54	1.87	2394	NA	NA	0.23	0.55	1.54	1.87	2394	2.2	0.8	0.23	0.55	1.54	1.87	2394	NA	NA
Vernalis ^e	0.83	0.57	1.60	1.94	689	1.7	1.14	0.85	0.57	1.60	1.94	674	1.9	1.02	0.58	0.57	1.59	1.92	976	2.4	0.80

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DSM2 Delta Water Location	Year 2000							Year 2005						Year 2007							
	Concentration				K _d	Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio	Concentration				K _d	Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio	Concentration				K _d	Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio
	DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 3 Fish				DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 3 Fish				DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 3 Fish			
	Fourth Quarter							Fourth Quarter						Fourth Quarter							
Sacramento River RM 44	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.81	5948	2.6	0.69	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.81	5946	1.5	1.25	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.81	5947	1.8	0.98
Cache Slough Ryer ^b	0.10	0.54	1.50	1.82	5261	1.5	1.22	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.81	5830	1.7	1.05	0.10	0.54	1.50	1.82	5345	2.5	0.71
San Joaquin River Potato Slough	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.82	5704	1.4	1.34	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.81	5885	1.3	1.39	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.82	5678	2.5	0.73
Franks Tract	0.10	0.54	1.50	1.82	5621	1.6	1.10	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.81	5859	1.1	1.59	0.10	0.54	1.50	1.82	5596	3.0	0.61
Big Break	0.10	0.54	1.50	1.82	5534	1.6	1.17	0.09	0.54	1.50	1.82	5809	1.0	1.78	0.10	0.54	1.50	1.82	5470	2.8	0.64
Middle River Bullfrog	0.30	0.55	1.55	1.88	1859	NA	NA	0.24	0.55	1.54	1.87	2283	1.9	1.0	0.17	0.55	1.53	1.85	3241	2.1	0.87
Old River near Paradise Cut ^c	0.81	0.57	1.60	1.94	704	NA	NA	0.72	0.57	1.60	1.93	795	2.4	0.8	0.57	0.57	1.58	1.92	994	NA	NA
Knights Landing ^d	0.23	0.55	1.54	1.87	2394	NA	NA	0.23	0.55	1.54	1.87	2394	2.2	0.8	0.23	0.55	1.54	1.87	2394	NA	NA
Vernalis ^e	0.83	0.57	1.60	1.94	689	1.7	1.14	0.85	0.57	1.60	1.94	674	1.9	1.02	0.58	0.57	1.59	1.92	976	2.4	0.80

Notes:
 Equations from Presser and Luoma (2010a, 2010b) were used to calculate selenium concentrations for fish. Model 3 uses average selenium trophic transfer factors to aquatic insects (2.8) and fish (1.1 for all trophic levels).
 Model 3 = Model 2 (TL-4 Fish Eating TL-3 Fish) with K estimated using all years regression (log K = 2.76-0.97(logDSM2))
 Invert. = invertebrate
 K_d = particulate concentration/water concentration ratio
 µg/g, dw = micrograms per gram, dry weight
 NA = not available; bass not collected here
 RM = river mile
 TL = trophic level
 a. Geometric mean calculated from whole-body largemouth bass data presented in Foe (2010a).
 b. Fish data collected at Rio Vista (Foe 2010a) were used to calculate geometric mean whole-body largemouth bass and ratios.
 c. Fish data collected at Old River near Tracy (Foe 2010a) were used to calculate geometric mean whole-body largemouth bass and ratios.
 d. Geometric mean of total selenium concentrations in water collected from years 2004, 2007, and 2008 (DWR Website 2009) was used to estimate selenium concentrations in particulates and biota (DSM2 data were not available). Fish data collected from Sacramento River at Veterans Bridge (Foe 2010a) were used to calculate geometric mean whole-body largemouth bass and ratios.
 e. Geometric mean of selenium concentrations (total or dissolved was not specified) in water collected from years 1990-2000 (SWAMP Website 2009) was used to estimate Year 2000 selenium concentrations in particulates and biota (DSM2 data were not available). Years 2004-2005 were used for Year 2005 estimates; and years 2007 were used for Year 2007 estimates.

1 **Table 6D.7 Selenium Bioaccumulation from Water (µg/L) to Particulates and Fish (µg/g, dw) Using Model 2 with Estimated K_d from Normal/Wet Years Regression for Model 4 and Dry Years Regression for Model 5**

DSM2 Delta Water Location	Year 2000							Year 2005						Year 2007							
	Concentration				K _d	Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio	Concentration				K _d	Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio	Concentration				K _d	Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio
	DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 4 Fish				DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 4 Fish				DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 5 Fish			
	First Quarter							First Quarter						First Quarter							
Sacramento River RM 44	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.49	4997	2.6	0.57	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4909	1.5	1.03	0.09	0.73	2.03	2.46	8063	1.8	1.33
Cache Slough Ryer ^b	0.10	0.45	1.25	1.51	4481	1.5	1.01	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4784	1.7	0.87	0.09	0.73	2.03	2.46	7929	2.5	0.97
San Joaquin River Potato Slough	0.17	0.47	1.32	1.59	2786	1.4	1.17	0.14	0.46	1.30	1.57	3260	1.3	1.20	0.09	0.73	2.03	2.46	7883	2.5	0.99
Franks Tract	0.19	0.48	1.33	1.61	2525	1.6	0.98	0.15	0.46	1.30	1.57	3181	1.1	1.37	0.09	0.73	2.03	2.46	7802	3.0	0.82
Big Break	0.13	0.46	1.28	1.55	3630	1.6	1.00	0.11	0.45	1.26	1.53	4082	1.0	1.50	0.09	0.73	2.03	2.46	7926	2.8	0.87
Middle River Bullfrog	0.31	0.50	1.40	1.69	1621	NA	NA	0.46	0.52	1.46	1.76	1130	1.9	0.9	0.20	0.71	2.00	2.42	3616	2.1	1.14
Old River near Paradise Cut ^c	0.73	0.55	1.53	1.85	745	NA	NA	0.78	0.55	1.54	1.86	700	2.4	0.8	0.56	0.70	1.96	2.37	1247	NA	NA
Knights Landing ^d	0.23	0.49	1.36	1.64	2111	NA	NA	0.23	0.49	1.36	1.64	2111	2.2	0.7	0.23	0.71	1.99	2.41	3098	NA	NA
Vernalis ^e	0.83	0.55	1.55	1.87	665	1.7	1.10	0.85	0.55	1.55	1.87	651	1.9	0.99	0.58	0.70	1.96	2.37	1206	2.4	0.99
	Second Quarter							Second Quarter						Second Quarter							
Sacramento River RM 44	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4914	2.6	0.57	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4910	1.5	1.03	0.09	0.73	2.03	2.46	8061	1.8	1.33
Cache Slough Ryer ^b	0.11	0.45	1.27	1.53	4007	1.5	1.03	0.10	0.45	1.25	1.51	4596	1.7	0.87	0.10	0.72	2.03	2.45	7061	2.5	0.96
San Joaquin River Potato Slough	0.24	0.49	1.36	1.65	2041	1.4	1.22	0.36	0.51	1.42	1.72	1399	1.3	1.32	0.13	0.72	2.02	2.44	5343	2.5	0.98
Franks Tract	0.27	0.49	1.38	1.67	1826	1.6	1.02	0.49	0.52	1.46	1.77	1077	1.1	1.55	0.14	0.72	2.02	2.44	5204	3.0	0.82
Big Break	0.20	0.48	1.34	1.62	2441	1.6	1.04	0.30	0.50	1.39	1.69	1683	1.0	1.65	0.12	0.72	2.02	2.45	6220	2.8	0.86
Middle River Bullfrog	0.61	0.54	1.50	1.81	876	NA	NA	0.75	0.55	1.53	1.85	732	1.9	1.0	0.29	0.71	1.99	2.40	2424	2.1	1.1
Old River near Paradise Cut ^c	0.68	0.54	1.51	1.83	801	NA	NA	0.84	0.55	1.55	1.87	658	2.4	0.8	0.43	0.70	1.97	2.38	1617	NA	NA
Knights Landing ^d	0.23	0.49	1.36	1.64	2111	NA	NA	0.23	0.49	1.36	1.64	2111	2.2	0.7	0.23	0.71	1.99	2.41	3098	NA	NA
Vernalis ^e	0.83	0.55	1.55	1.87	665	1.7	1.10	0.85	0.55	1.55	1.87	651	1.9	0.99	0.58	0.70	1.96	2.37	1206	2.4	0.99
	Third Quarter							Third Quarter						Third Quarter							
Sacramento River RM 44	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4910	2.6	0.57	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4910	1.5	1.03	0.09	0.73	2.03	2.46	8064	1.8	1.33
Cache Slough Ryer ^b	0.11	0.45	1.26	1.53	4135	1.5	1.02	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4885	1.7	0.87	0.10	0.72	2.03	2.45	6980	2.5	0.96
San Joaquin River Potato Slough	0.10	0.44	1.25	1.51	4637	1.4	1.11	0.10	0.45	1.25	1.51	4584	1.3	1.15	0.10	0.72	2.03	2.46	7510	2.5	0.99
Franks Tract	0.10	0.45	1.25	1.51	4499	1.6	0.92	0.11	0.45	1.26	1.52	4274	1.1	1.33	0.10	0.72	2.03	2.45	7276	3.0	0.82
Big Break	0.10	0.45	1.25	1.52	4356	1.6	0.98	0.10	0.45	1.26	1.52	4304	1.0	1.49	0.10	0.72	2.03	2.45	7131	2.8	0.87
Middle River Bullfrog	0.20	0.48	1.34	1.63	2350	NA	NA	0.30	0.50	1.39	1.69	1677	1.9	0.9	0.12	0.72	2.02	2.45	6235	2.1	1.15
Old River near Paradise Cut ^c	0.75	0.55	1.53	1.85	725	NA	NA	0.80	0.55	1.54	1.86	687	2.4	0.8	0.53	0.70	1.96	2.37	1317	NA	NA
Knights Landing ^d	0.23	0.49	1.36	1.64	2111	NA	NA	0.23	0.49	1.36	1.64	2111	2.2	0.7	0.23	0.71	1.99	2.41	3098	NA	NA
Vernalis ^e	0.83	0.55	1.55	1.87	665	1.7	1.10	0.85	0.55	1.55	1.87	651	1.9	0.99	0.58	0.70	1.96	2.37	1206	2.4	0.99

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DSM2 Delta Water Location	Year 2000							Year 2005						Year 2007							
	Concentration				K _d	Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio	Concentration				K _d	Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio	Concentration				K _d	Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio
	DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 4 Fish			Model 4	DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 4 Fish			Model 4	DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 5 Fish			Model 5
	Fourth Quarter							Fourth Quarter						Fourth Quarter							
Sacramento River RM 44	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4911	2.6	0.57	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4909	1.5	1.03	0.09	0.73	2.03	2.46	8064	1.8	1.33
Cache Slough Ryer ^b	0.10	0.45	1.25	1.52	4383	1.5	1.02	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4820	1.7	0.87	0.10	0.72	2.03	2.45	7209	2.5	0.96
San Joaquin River Potato Slough	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4723	1.4	1.11	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4862	1.3	1.15	0.09	0.73	2.03	2.46	7682	2.5	0.99
Franks Tract	0.10	0.44	1.24	1.51	4660	1.6	0.91	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4843	1.1	1.31	0.10	0.73	2.03	2.46	7564	3.0	0.82
Big Break	0.10	0.45	1.25	1.51	4593	1.6	0.97	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4804	1.0	1.47	0.10	0.72	2.03	2.46	7386	2.8	0.87
Middle River Bullfrog	0.30	0.50	1.40	1.69	1669	NA	NA	0.24	0.49	1.37	1.65	2020	1.9	0.9	0.17	0.72	2.01	2.43	4260	2.1	1.14
Old River near Paradise Cut ^c	0.81	0.55	1.54	1.87	678	NA	NA	0.72	0.54	1.52	1.84	759	2.4	0.8	0.57	0.70	1.96	2.37	1229	NA	NA
Knights Landing ^d	0.23	0.49	1.36	1.64	2111	NA	NA	0.23	0.49	1.36	1.64	2111	2.2	0.7	0.23	0.71	1.99	2.41	3098	NA	NA
Vernalis ^e	0.83	0.55	1.55	1.87	665	1.7	1.10	0.85	0.55	1.55	1.87	651	1.9	0.99	0.58	0.70	1.96	2.37	1206	2.4	0.99

Notes:
 Equations from Presser and Luoma (2010a, 2010b) were used to calculate selenium concentrations for fish. Models 4 and 5 used the average selenium trophic transfer factors to aquatic insects (2.8) and fish (1.1 for all trophic levels).
 Model 4 = Model 2 (TL-4 Fish Eating TL-3 Fish) with K estimated using normal/wet years regression (log K= 2.75-0.90(logDSM2))
 Model 5 = Model 2 (TL-4 Fish Eating TL-3 Fish) with K estimated using dry years (2007) regression (log K= 2.84-1.02(logDSM2))
 Invert. = invertebrate
 K_d = particulate concentration/water concentration ratio
 µg/g, dw = micrograms per gram, dry weight
 NA = not available; bass not collected here
 RM = river mile
 TL = trophic level
 a. Geometric mean calculated from whole-body largemouth bass data presented in Foe (2010a).
 b. Fish data collected at Rio Vista (Foe 2010a) were used to calculate geometric mean whole-body largemouth bass and ratios.
 c. Fish data collected at Old River near Tracy (Foe 2010a) were used to calculate geometric mean whole-body largemouth bass and ratios.
 d. Geometric mean of total selenium concentrations in water collected from years 2004, 2007, and 2008 (DWR Website 2009) was used to estimate selenium concentrations in particulates and biota (DSM2 data were not available). Fish data collected from Sacramento River at Veterans Bridge (Foe 2010a) were used to calculate geometric mean whole-body largemouth bass and ratios.
 e. Geometric mean of selenium concentrations (total or dissolved was not specified) in water collected from years 1990-2000 (SWAMP Website 2009) was used to estimate Year 2000 selenium concentrations in particulates and biota (DSM2 data were not available). Years 2004-2005 were used for Year 2005 estimates; and years 2007 were used for Year 2007 estimates.

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Table 6D.8 Selenium Bioaccumulation from Water (µg/L) to Particulates, Whole-body Fish (µg/g, dw), and Bird Eggs (µg/g, dw) Using Model 2 with Estimated K_d from Normal/Wet Years Regression for Model 4 and Dry Years Regression for Model 5

DSM2 Delta Water Location	Year 2000									Year 2005									Year 2007								
	Concentration				K _d	Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio Model 4	Bird Eggs		Concentration				K _d	Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio Model 4	Bird Eggs		Concentration				K _d	Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio Model 5	Bird Eggs	
	DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 4 Fish				From Invert.	From Fish	DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 4 Fish				From Invert.	From Fish	DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 5 Fish				From Invert.	From Fish
	First Quarter									First Quarter									First Quarter								
Sacramento River RM 44	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.49	4997	2.6	0.57	2.22	2.69	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4909	1.5	1.03	2.23	2.70	0.09	0.73	2.03	2.46	8063	1.8	1.33	3.66	4.43
Cache Slough Ryer ^b	0.10	0.45	1.25	1.51	4481	1.5	1.01	2.25	2.72	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4784	1.7	0.87	2.23	2.70	0.09	0.73	2.03	2.46	7929	2.5	0.97	3.66	4.43
San Joaquin River Potato Slough	0.17	0.47	1.32	1.59	2786	1.4	1.17	2.37	2.87	0.14	0.46	1.30	1.57	3260	1.3	1.20	2.33	2.82	0.09	0.73	2.03	2.46	7883	2.5	0.99	3.66	4.43
Franks Tract	0.19	0.48	1.33	1.61	2525	1.6	0.98	2.40	2.90	0.15	0.46	1.30	1.57	3181	1.1	1.37	2.34	2.83	0.09	0.73	2.03	2.46	7802	3.0	0.82	3.66	4.42
Big Break	0.13	0.46	1.28	1.55	3630	1.6	1.00	2.30	2.79	0.11	0.45	1.26	1.53	4082	1.0	1.50	2.27	2.75	0.09	0.73	2.03	2.46	7926	2.8	0.87	3.66	4.43
Middle River Bullfrog	0.31	0.50	1.40	1.69	1621	NA	NA	2.52	3.05	0.46	0.52	1.46	1.76	1130	1.9	0.9	2.62	3.17	0.20	0.71	2.00	2.42	3616	2.1	1.14	3.60	4.36
Old River near Paradise Cut ^c	0.73	0.55	1.53	1.85	745	NA	NA	2.75	3.32	0.78	0.55	1.54	1.86	700	2.4	0.8	2.77	3.35	0.56	0.70	1.96	2.37	1247	NA	NA	3.53	4.27
Knights Landing ^d	0.23	0.49	1.36	1.64	2111	NA	NA	2.45	2.96	0.23	0.49	1.36	1.64	2111	2.2	0.7	2.45	2.96	0.23	0.71	1.99	2.41	3098	NA	NA	3.59	4.34
Vernalis ^e	0.83	0.55	1.55	1.87	665	1.7	1.10	2.78	3.37	0.85	0.55	1.55	1.87	651	1.9	0.99	2.79	3.37	0.58	0.70	1.96	2.37	1206	2.4	0.99	3.53	4.27
Second Quarter									Second Quarter									Second Quarter									
Sacramento River RM 44	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4914	2.6	0.57	2.23	2.70	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4910	1.5	1.03	2.23	2.70	0.09	0.73	2.03	2.46	8061	1.8	1.33	3.66	4.43
Cache Slough Ryer ^b	0.11	0.45	1.27	1.53	4007	1.5	1.03	2.28	2.76	0.10	0.45	1.25	1.51	4596	1.7	0.87	2.24	2.72	0.10	0.72	2.03	2.45	7061	2.5	0.96	3.65	4.42
San Joaquin River Potato Slough	0.24	0.49	1.36	1.65	2041	1.4	1.22	2.46	2.97	0.36	0.51	1.42	1.72	1399	1.3	1.32	2.56	3.10	0.13	0.72	2.02	2.44	5343	2.5	0.98	3.63	4.39
Franks Tract	0.27	0.49	1.38	1.67	1826	1.6	1.02	2.49	3.01	0.49	0.52	1.46	1.77	1077	1.1	1.55	2.64	3.19	0.14	0.72	2.02	2.44	5204	3.0	0.82	3.63	4.39
Big Break	0.20	0.48	1.34	1.62	2441	1.6	1.04	2.41	2.91	0.30	0.50	1.39	1.69	1683	1.0	1.65	2.51	3.04	0.12	0.72	2.02	2.45	6220	2.8	0.86	3.64	4.40
Middle River Bullfrog	0.61	0.54	1.50	1.81	876	NA	NA	2.70	3.26	0.75	0.55	1.53	1.85	732	1.9	1.0	2.75	3.33	0.29	0.71	1.99	2.40	2424	2.1	1.1	3.57	4.32
Old River near Paradise Cut ^c	0.68	0.54	1.51	1.83	801	NA	NA	2.73	3.30	0.84	0.55	1.55	1.87	658	2.4	0.8	2.79	3.37	0.43	0.70	1.97	2.38	1617	NA	NA	3.55	4.29
Knights Landing ^d	0.23	0.49	1.36	1.64	2111	NA	NA	2.45	2.96	0.23	0.49	1.36	1.64	2111	2.2	0.7	2.45	2.96	0.23	0.71	1.99	2.41	3098	NA	NA	3.59	4.34
Vernalis ^e	0.83	0.55	1.55	1.87	665	1.7	1.10	2.78	3.37	0.85	0.55	1.55	1.87	651	1.9	0.99	2.79	3.37	0.58	0.70	1.96	2.37	1206	2.4	0.99	3.53	4.27
Third Quarter									Third Quarter									Third Quarter									
Sacramento River RM 44	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4910	2.6	0.57	2.23	2.70	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4910	1.5	1.03	2.23	2.70	0.09	0.73	2.03	2.46	8064	1.8	1.33	3.66	4.43
Cache Slough Ryer ^b	0.11	0.45	1.26	1.53	4135	1.5	1.02	2.27	2.75	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4885	1.7	0.87	2.23	2.70	0.10	0.72	2.03	2.45	6980	2.5	0.96	3.65	4.41
San Joaquin River Potato Slough	0.10	0.44	1.25	1.51	4637	1.4	1.11	2.24	2.71	0.10	0.45	1.25	1.51	4584	1.3	1.15	2.24	2.72	0.10	0.72	2.03	2.46	7510	2.5	0.99	3.65	4.42
Franks Tract	0.10	0.45	1.25	1.51	4499	1.6	0.92	2.25	2.72	0.11	0.45	1.26	1.52	4274	1.1	1.33	2.26	2.74	0.10	0.72	2.03	2.45	7276	3.0	0.82	3.65	4.42
Big Break	0.10	0.45	1.25	1.52	4356	1.6	0.98	2.26	2.73	0.10	0.45	1.26	1.52	4304	1.0	1.49	2.26	2.74	0.10	0.72	2.03	2.45	7131	2.8	0.87	3.65	4.42
Middle River Bullfrog	0.20	0.48	1.34	1.63	2350	NA	NA	2.42	2.93	0.30	0.50	1.39	1.69	1677	1.9	0.9	2.51	3.04	0.12	0.72	2.02	2.45	6235	2.1	1.15	3.64	4.40
Old River near Paradise Cut ^c	0.75	0.55	1.53	1.85	725	NA	NA	2.76	3.33	0.80	0.55	1.54	1.86	687	2.4	0.8	2.77	3.35	0.53	0.70	1.96	2.37	1317	NA	NA	3.53	4.27
Knights Landing ^d	0.23	0.49	1.36	1.64	2111	NA	NA	2.45	2.96	0.23	0.49	1.36	1.64	2111	2.2	0.7	2.45	2.96	0.23	0.71	1.99	2.41	3098	NA	NA	3.59	4.34
Vernalis ^e	0.83	0.55	1.55	1.87	665	1.7	1.10	2.78	3.37	0.85	0.55	1.55	1.87	651	1.9	0.99	2.79	3.37	0.58	0.70	1.96	2.37	1206	2.4	0.99	3.53	4.27

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DSM2 Delta Water Location	Year 2000									Year 2005									Year 2007								
	Concentration				K _d	Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio Model 4	Bird Eggs		Concentration				K _d	Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio Model 4	Bird Eggs		Concentration				K _d	Whole-body Bass ^a	Fish-to-Bass Ratio Model 5	Bird Eggs	
	DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 4 Fish				From Invert.	From Fish	DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 4 Fish				From Invert.	From Fish	DSM2 Water	Particulate from Water	Invert. from Particulate	Model 5 Fish				From Invert.	From Fish
	Fourth Quarter									Fourth Quarter									Fourth Quarter								
Sacramento River RM 44	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4911	2.6	0.57	2.23	2.70	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4909	1.5	1.03	2.23	2.70	0.09	0.73	2.03	2.46	8064	1.8	1.33	3.66	4.43
Cache Slough Ryer ^b	0.10	0.45	1.25	1.52	4383	1.5	1.02	2.26	2.73	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4820	1.7	0.87	2.23	2.70	0.10	0.72	2.03	2.45	7209	2.5	0.96	3.65	4.42
San Joaquin River Potato Slough	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4723	1.4	1.11	2.24	2.71	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4862	1.3	1.15	2.23	2.70	0.09	0.73	2.03	2.46	7682	2.5	0.99	3.66	4.42
Franks Tract	0.10	0.44	1.24	1.51	4660	1.6	0.91	2.24	2.71	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4843	1.1	1.31	2.23	2.70	0.10	0.73	2.03	2.46	7564	3.0	0.82	3.65	4.42
Big Break	0.10	0.45	1.25	1.51	4593	1.6	0.97	2.24	2.72	0.09	0.44	1.24	1.50	4804	1.0	1.47	2.23	2.70	0.10	0.72	2.03	2.46	7386	2.8	0.87	3.65	4.42
Middle River Bullfrog	0.30	0.50	1.40	1.69	1669	NA	NA	2.51	3.04	0.24	0.49	1.37	1.65	2020	1.9	0.9	2.46	2.98	0.17	0.72	2.01	2.43	4260	2.1	1.14	3.61	4.37
Old River near Paradise Cut ^c	0.81	0.55	1.54	1.87	678	NA	NA	2.78	3.36	0.72	0.54	1.52	1.84	759	2.4	0.8	2.74	3.32	0.57	0.70	1.96	2.37	1229	NA	NA	3.53	4.27
Knights Landing ^d	0.23	0.49	1.36	1.64	2111	NA	NA	2.45	2.96	0.23	0.49	1.36	1.64	2111	2.2	0.7	2.45	2.96	0.23	0.71	1.99	2.41	3098	NA	NA	3.59	4.34
Vernalis ^e	0.83	0.55	1.55	1.87	665	1.7	1.10	2.78	3.37	0.85	0.55	1.55	1.87	651	1.9	0.99	2.79	3.37	0.58	0.70	1.96	2.37	1206	2.4	0.99	3.53	4.27

Notes:
 Equations from Presser and Luoma (2010a, 2010b) were used to calculate selenium concentrations for fish. Models 4 and 5 used the average selenium trophic transfer factors to aquatic insects (2.8), fish (1.1 for all trophic levels) and bird eggs (1.8).
 Model 4 = Model 2 (TL-4 Fish Eating TL-3 Fish) with K estimated using normal/wet years regression (log K= 2.75-0.90(logDSM2))
 Model 5 = Model 2 (TL-4 Fish Eating TL-3 Fish) with K estimated using dry years (2007) regression (log K= 2.84-1.02(logDSM2))
 Invert. = invertebrate
 K_d = particulate concentration/water concentration ratio
 µg/g, dw = micrograms per gram, dry weight
 NA = not available; bass not collected here
 RM = river mile
 TL = trophic level
 a. Geometric mean calculated from whole-body largemouth bass data presented in Foe (2010a).
 b. Fish data collected at Rio Vista (Foe 2010a) were used to calculate geometric mean whole-body largemouth bass and ratios.
 c. Fish data collected at Old River near Tracy (Foe 2010a) were used to calculate geometric mean whole-body largemouth bass and ratios.
 d. Geometric mean of total selenium concentrations in water collected from years 2004, 2007, and 2008 (DWR Website 2009) was used to estimate selenium concentrations in particulates and biota (DSM2 data were not available). Fish data collected from Sacramento River at Veterans Bridge (Foe 2010a) were used to calculate geometric mean whole-body largemouth bass and ratios.
 e. Geometric mean of selenium concentrations (total or dissolved was not specified) in water collected from years 1990-2000 (SWAMP Website 2009) was used to estimate Year 2000 selenium concentrations in particulates and biota (DSM2 data were not available). Years 2004-2005 were used for Year 2005 estimates; and years 2006-2007 were used for Year 2007 estimates.

1 **Table 6D.9 Modeled Annual Average Selenium Concentrations in Water for No Action Alternative and Alternatives 1 (Second Basis of Comparison), 3, and 5**

Location	Period *	Period Average Concentration (µg/L) No Action Alternative	Period Average Concentration (µg/L) Second Basis of Comparison	Period Average Concentration (µg/L) Alternative 3	Period Average Concentration (µg/L) Alternative 5
Delta Interior					
San Joaquin River at Stockton	ALL	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42
	DROUGHT	0.40	0.40	0.39	0.39
Turner Cut	ALL	0.28	0.27	0.27	0.29
	DROUGHT	0.22	0.21	0.21	0.24
San Joaquin River at San Andreas Landing	ALL	0.11	0.10	0.10	0.11
	DROUGHT	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.10
San Joaquin River at Jersey Point	ALL	0.12	0.11	0.11	0.12
	DROUGHT	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
Victoria Canal	ALL	0.23	0.22	0.21	0.24
	DROUGHT	0.17	0.16	0.16	0.21
Western Delta					
Sacramento River at Emmaton	ALL	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.11
	DROUGHT	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
San Joaquin River at Antioch	ALL	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.12
	DROUGHT	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
Montezuma Slough at Hunter Cut/Beldon's Landing	ALL	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11
	DROUGHT	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
Major Diversions (Pumping Stations)					
North Bay Aqueduct at Barker Slough Pumping Plant	ALL	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11
	DROUGHT	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
Contra Costa Pumping Plant #1	ALL	0.14	0.13	0.13	0.15
	DROUGHT	0.11	0.10	0.10	0.13
Banks Pumping Plant	ALL	0.21	0.19	0.19	0.22
	DROUGHT	0.16	0.14	0.15	0.18
Jones Pumping Plant	ALL	0.28	0.25	0.27	0.29
	DROUGHT	0.26	0.21	0.24	0.26

2 Notes:
 3 * All: Water years 1922-2003 represent the 82-year period modeled using DSM2. Drought: Represents a 5 consecutive year (water years 1987-1991) drought period consisting of dry and critical water year types (as defined by the Sacramento
 4 Valley 40-30-30 water year hydrologic classification index)
 5 µg/L = microgram per liter

1 Table 6D.10 Summary Table for Annual Average Selenium Concentrations in Biota for No Action Alternative and Second Basis of Comparison

Location	Period ^a	Estimated Concentrations of Selenium (mg/kg, dw ^b)							
		Whole-body Fish NAA	Whole-body Fish Alt. 1 (SBC)	Bird Eggs (Invertebrate Diet) NAA	Bird Eggs (Invertebrate Diet) Alt. 1 (SBC)	Bird Eggs (Fish Diet) NAA	Bird Eggs (Fish Diet) Alt. 1 (SBC)	Fish Fillets (ww) NAA	Fish Fillets (ww) Alt. 1 (SBC)
Delta Interior									
San Joaquin River at Stockton	ALL	1.90	1.90	2.83	2.83	3.42	3.42	0.64	0.64
	DROUGHT	2.39	2.39	3.55	3.55	4.30	4.30	0.83	0.83
Turner Cut	ALL	1.88	1.87	2.79	2.79	3.38	3.37	0.63	0.63
	DROUGHT	2.42	2.42	3.59	3.60	4.35	4.35	0.84	0.84
San Joaquin River at San Andreas Landing	ALL	1.82	1.82	2.71	2.71	3.28	3.28	0.61	0.61
	DROUGHT	2.46	2.46	3.65	3.66	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86
San Joaquin River at Jersey Point	ALL	1.83	1.83	2.72	2.72	3.29	3.29	0.61	0.61
	DROUGHT	2.46	2.46	3.65	3.65	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86
Victoria Canal	ALL	1.87	1.86	2.78	2.77	3.36	3.35	0.62	0.62
	DROUGHT	2.43	2.43	3.61	3.62	4.37	4.38	0.85	0.85
Western Delta									
Sacramento River at Emmaton	ALL	1.82	1.82	2.71	2.71	3.28	3.28	0.61	0.61
	DROUGHT	2.46	2.46	3.65	3.65	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86
San Joaquin River at Antioch	ALL	1.83	1.83	2.72	2.72	3.29	3.29	0.61	0.61
	DROUGHT	2.46	2.46	3.65	3.65	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86
Montezuma Slough at Hunter Cut/Beldon's Landing	ALL	1.82	1.82	2.71	2.71	3.28	3.28	0.61	0.61
	DROUGHT	2.45	2.45	3.65	3.65	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86
Major Diversions (Pumping Stations)									
North Bay Aqueduct at Barker Slough Pumping Plant	ALL	1.82	1.82	2.71	2.71	3.28	3.28	0.61	0.61
	DROUGHT	2.45	2.45	3.65	3.65	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86
Contra Costa Pumping Plant #1	ALL	1.84	1.83	2.74	2.73	3.31	3.30	0.61	0.61
	DROUGHT	2.45	2.45	3.64	3.65	4.41	4.42	0.85	0.86
Banks Pumping Plant	ALL	1.86	1.86	2.77	2.76	3.35	3.34	0.62	0.62
	DROUGHT	2.43	2.44	3.62	3.63	4.38	4.39	0.85	0.85

Location	Period ^a	Estimated Concentrations of Selenium (mg/kg, dw ^b)							
		Whole-body Fish NAA	Whole-body Fish Alt. 1 (SBC)	Bird Eggs (Invertebrate Diet) NAA	Bird Eggs (Invertebrate Diet) Alt. 1 (SBC)	Bird Eggs (Fish Diet) NAA	Bird Eggs (Fish Diet) Alt. 1 (SBC)	Fish Fillets (ww) NAA	Fish Fillets (ww) Alt. 1 (SBC)
Jones Pumping Plant	ALL	1.88	1.87	2.79	2.78	3.38	3.37	0.63	0.63
	DROUGHT	2.41	2.42	3.58	3.60	4.33	4.35	0.84	0.84

- 1 Notes:
- 2 a. All: Water years 1922-2003 represent the 82-year period modeled using DSM2. Drought: Represents a 5 consecutive year (water years 1987-1991) drought period consisting of dry and critical water year types (as defined by the Sacramento
- 3 Valley 40-30-30 water year hydrologic classification index)
- 4 b. Dry weight, except as noted for fish fillets
- 5 Alt. = alternative
- 6 dw = dry weight
- 7 mg/kg = milligram per kilogram
- 8 NAA = No Action Alternative
- 9 SBC = Second Basis of Comparison
- 10 ww = wet weight

1 Table 6D.11 Summary Table for Annual Average Selenium Concentrations in Biota for No Action Alternative, Second Basis of Comparison, and Alternative 3

Location	Period ^a	Estimated Concentrations of Selenium (mg/kg, dw ^b)											
		Whole-body Fish NAA	Whole-body Fish Alt. 1 (SBC)	Whole-body Fish Alt. 3	Bird Eggs (Invertebrate Diet) NAA	Bird Eggs (Invertebrate Diet) Alt. 1 (SBC)	Bird Eggs (Invertebrate Diet) Alt. 3	Bird Eggs (Fish Diet) NAA	Bird Eggs (Fish Diet) Alt. 1 (SBC)	Bird Eggs (Fish Diet) Alt. 3	Fish Fillets (ww) NAA	Fish Fillets (ww) Alt. 1 (SBC)	Fish Fillets (ww) Alt. 3
Delta Interior													
San Joaquin River at Stockton	ALL	1.90	1.90	1.90	2.83	2.83	2.83	3.42	3.42	3.42	0.64	0.64	0.64
	DROUGHT	2.39	2.39	2.39	3.55	3.55	3.55	4.30	4.30	4.30	0.83	0.83	0.83
Turner Cut	ALL	1.88	1.87	1.87	2.79	2.79	2.79	3.38	3.37	3.37	0.63	0.63	0.63
	DROUGHT	2.42	2.42	2.42	3.59	3.60	3.60	4.35	4.35	4.35	0.84	0.84	0.84
San Joaquin River at San Andreas Landing	ALL	1.82	1.82	1.82	2.71	2.71	2.71	3.28	3.28	3.28	0.61	0.61	0.61
	DROUGHT	2.46	2.46	2.46	3.65	3.66	3.66	4.42	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86	0.86
San Joaquin River at Jersey Point	ALL	1.83	1.83	1.82	2.72	2.72	2.77	3.29	3.29	3.35	0.61	0.61	0.62
	DROUGHT	2.46	2.46	2.46	3.65	3.65	3.62	4.42	4.42	4.38	0.86	0.86	0.85
Victoria Canal	ALL	1.87	1.86	1.86	2.78	2.77	2.77	3.36	3.35	3.35	0.62	0.62	0.62
	DROUGHT	2.43	2.43	2.43	3.61	3.62	3.62	4.37	4.38	4.38	0.85	0.85	0.85
Western Delta													
Sacramento River at Emmaton	ALL	1.82	1.82	1.82	2.71	2.71	2.71	3.28	3.28	3.28	0.61	0.61	0.61
	DROUGHT	2.46	2.46	2.46	3.65	3.65	3.65	4.42	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86	0.86
San Joaquin River at Antioch	ALL	1.83	1.83	1.82	2.72	2.72	2.71	3.29	3.29	3.28	0.61	0.61	0.61
	DROUGHT	2.46	2.46	2.46	3.65	3.65	3.65	4.42	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86	0.86
Montezuma Slough at Hunter Cut/Beldon's Landing	ALL	1.82	1.82	1.82	2.71	2.71	2.71	3.28	3.28	3.28	0.61	0.61	0.61
	DROUGHT	2.45	2.45	2.46	3.65	3.65	3.65	4.42	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86	0.86
Major Diversions (Pumping Stations)													
North Bay Aqueduct at Barker Slough Pumping Plant	ALL	1.82	1.82	1.82	2.71	2.71	2.71	3.28	3.28	3.28	0.61	0.61	0.61
	DROUGHT	2.45	2.45	2.45	3.65	3.65	3.65	4.42	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86	0.86
Contra Costa Pumping Plant #1	ALL	1.84	1.83	1.83	2.74	2.73	2.72	3.31	3.30	3.30	0.61	0.61	0.61
	DROUGHT	2.45	2.45	2.45	3.64	3.65	3.65	4.41	4.42	4.41	0.85	0.86	0.86

Location	Period ^a	Estimated Concentrations of Selenium (mg/kg, dw ^b)											
		Whole-body Fish NAA	Whole-body Fish Alt. 1 (SBC)	Whole-body Fish Alt. 3	Bird Eggs (Invertebrate Diet) NAA	Bird Eggs (Invertebrate Diet) Alt. 1 (SBC)	Bird Eggs (Invertebrate Diet) Alt. 3	Bird Eggs (Fish Diet) NAA	Bird Eggs (Fish Diet) Alt. 1 (SBC)	Bird Eggs (Fish Diet) Alt. 3	Fish Fillets (ww) NAA	Fish Fillets (ww) Alt. 1 (SBC)	Fish Fillets (ww) Alt. 3
Banks Pumping Plant	ALL	1.86	1.86	1.86	2.77	2.76	2.76	3.35	3.34	3.34	0.62	0.62	0.62
	DROUGHT	2.43	2.44	2.44	3.62	3.63	3.62	4.38	4.39	4.39	0.85	0.85	0.85
Jones Pumping Plant	ALL	1.88	1.87	1.87	2.79	2.78	2.79	3.38	3.37	3.37	0.63	0.63	0.63
	DROUGHT	2.41	2.42	2.41	3.58	3.60	3.59	4.33	4.35	4.34	0.84	0.84	0.84

- 1 Notes:
- 2 a. All: Water years 1922-2003 represent the 82-year period modeled using DSM2. Drought: Represents a 5 consecutive year (water years 1987-1991) drought period consisting of dry and critical water year types (as defined by the Sacramento
- 3 Valley 40-30-30 water year hydrologic classification index)
- 4 b. Dry weight, except as noted for fish fillets
- 5 Alt. = alternative
- 6 dw = dry weight
- 7 mg/kg = milligram per kilogram
- 8 NAA = No Action Alternative
- 9 SBC = Second Basis of Comparison
- 10 ww = wet weight

1 Table 6D.12 Summary Table for Annual Average Selenium Concentrations in Biota for No Action Alternative, Second Basis of Comparison, and Alternative 5

Location	Period ^a	Estimated Concentrations of Selenium (mg/kg, dw ^b)											
		Whole-body Fish NAA	Whole-body Fish Alt. 1 (SBC)	Whole-body Fish Alt. 5	Bird Eggs (Invertebrate Diet) NAA	Bird Eggs (Invertebrate Diet) Alt. 1 (SBC)	Bird Eggs (Invertebrate Diet) Alt. 5	Bird Eggs (Fish Diet) NAA	Bird Eggs (Fish Diet) Alt. 1 (SBC)	Bird Eggs (Fish Diet) Alt. 5	Fish Fillets (ww) NAA	Fish Fillets (ww) Alt. 1 (SBC)	Fish Fillets (ww) Alt. 5
Delta Interior													
San Joaquin River at Stockton	ALL	1.90	1.90	1.90	2.83	2.83	2.83	3.42	3.42	3.42	0.64	0.64	0.64
	DROUGHT	2.39	2.39	2.39	3.55	3.55	3.55	4.30	4.30	4.30	0.83	0.83	0.83
Turner Cut	ALL	1.88	1.87	1.88	2.79	2.79	2.79	3.38	3.37	3.38	0.63	0.63	0.63
	DROUGHT	2.42	2.42	2.41	3.59	3.60	3.59	4.35	4.35	4.34	0.84	0.84	0.84
San Joaquin River at San Andreas Landing	ALL	1.82	1.82	1.82	2.71	2.71	2.71	3.28	3.28	3.28	0.61	0.61	0.61
	DROUGHT	2.46	2.46	2.45	3.65	3.66	3.65	4.42	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86	0.86
San Joaquin River at Jersey Point	ALL	1.83	1.83	1.83	2.72	2.72	2.78	3.29	3.29	3.36	0.61	0.61	0.62
	DROUGHT	2.46	2.46	2.45	3.65	3.65	3.60	4.42	4.42	4.35	0.86	0.86	0.84
Victoria Canal	ALL	1.87	1.86	1.87	2.78	2.77	2.78	3.36	3.35	3.36	0.62	0.62	0.62
	DROUGHT	2.43	2.43	2.42	3.61	3.62	3.60	4.37	4.38	4.35	0.85	0.85	0.84
Western Delta													
Sacramento River at Emmaton	ALL	1.82	1.82	1.82	2.71	2.71	2.71	3.28	3.28	3.28	0.61	0.61	0.61
	DROUGHT	2.46	2.46	2.45	3.65	3.65	3.65	4.42	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86	0.86
San Joaquin River at Antioch	ALL	1.83	1.83	1.83	2.72	2.72	2.72	3.29	3.29	3.29	0.61	0.61	0.61
	DROUGHT	2.46	2.46	2.45	3.65	3.65	3.65	4.42	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86	0.86
Montezuma Slough at Hunter Cut/Beldon's Landing	ALL	1.82	1.82	1.82	2.71	2.71	2.71	3.28	3.28	3.28	0.61	0.61	0.61
	DROUGHT	2.45	2.45	2.45	3.65	3.65	3.65	4.42	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86	0.86
Major Diversions (Pumping Stations)													
North Bay Aqueduct at Barker Slough Pumping Plant	ALL	1.82	1.82	1.82	2.71	2.71	2.71	3.28	3.28	3.28	0.61	0.61	0.61
	DROUGHT	2.45	2.45	2.45	3.65	3.65	3.65	4.42	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86	0.86
Contra Costa Pumping Plant #1	ALL	1.84	1.83	1.84	2.74	2.73	2.74	3.31	3.30	3.32	0.61	0.61	0.61
	DROUGHT	2.45	2.45	2.44	3.64	3.65	3.63	4.41	4.42	4.39	0.85	0.86	0.85
Banks Pumping Plant	ALL	1.86	1.86	1.86	2.77	2.76	2.77	3.35	3.34	3.35	0.62	0.62	0.62
	DROUGHT	2.43	2.44	2.43	3.62	3.63	3.61	4.38	4.39	4.37	0.85	0.85	0.85

Location	Period ^a	Estimated Concentrations of Selenium (mg/kg, dw ^b)											
		Whole-body Fish NAA	Whole-body Fish Alt. 1 (SBC)	Whole-body Fish Alt. 5	Bird Eggs (Invertebrate Diet) NAA	Bird Eggs (Invertebrate Diet) Alt. 1 (SBC)	Bird Eggs (Invertebrate Diet) Alt. 5	Bird Eggs (Fish Diet) NAA	Bird Eggs (Fish Diet) Alt. 1 (SBC)	Bird Eggs (Fish Diet) Alt. 5	Fish Fillets (ww) NAA	Fish Fillets (ww) Alt. 1 (SBC)	Fish Fillets (ww) Alt. 5
Jones Pumping Plant	ALL	1.88	1.87	1.88	2.79	2.78	2.79	3.38	3.37	3.38	0.63	0.63	0.63
	DROUGHT	2.41	2.42	2.41	3.58	3.60	3.58	4.33	4.35	4.33	0.84	0.84	0.84

- 1 Notes:
- 2 a. All: Water years 1922-2003 represent the 82-year period modeled using DSM2. Drought: Represents a 5 consecutive year (water years 1987-1991) drought period consisting of dry and critical water year types (as defined by the Sacramento
- 3 Valley 40-30-30 water year hydrologic classification index)
- 4 b. Dry weight, except as noted for fish fillets
- 5 Alt. = alternative
- 6 dw = dry weight
- 7 mg/kg = milligram per kilogram
- 8 NAA = No Action Alternative
- 9 SBC = Second Basis of Comparison
- 10 ww = wet weight

1 Table 6D.13 Summary Table for Selenium Concentrations in Biota, and Comparisons for No Action Alternative and Second Basis of Comparison to Benchmarks

Location	Period ^a	Estimated Concentrations of Selenium (mg/kg, dw ^b)								Exceedance Quotients ^c													
		Whole-body Fish		Bird Eggs (Invertebrate Diet)		Bird Eggs (Fish Diet)		Fish Fillets (ww)		Whole-body Fish				Bird Eggs (Invertebrate Diet)				Bird Eggs (Fish Diet)				Fish Fillets (ww)	
		Level of Concern ^d		Toxicity Level ^e		Level of Concern ^f		Toxicity Level ^g		Level of Concern ^f		Toxicity Level ^g		Level of Concern ^f		Toxicity Level ^g		Advisory Tissue Level ^h					
		NAA	Alt. 1 (SBC)	NAA	Alt. 1 (SBC)	NAA	Alt. 1 (SBC)	NAA	Alt. 1 (SBC)	NAA	Alt. 1 (SBC)	NAA	Alt. 1 (SBC)	NAA	Alt. 1 (SBC)	NAA	Alt. 1 (SBC)	NAA	Alt. 1 (SBC)	NAA	Alt. 1 (SBC)	NAA	Alt. 1 (SBC)
Delta Interior																							
San Joaquin River at Stockton	ALL	1.90	1.90	2.83	2.83	3.42	3.42	0.64	0.64	0.47	0.47	0.23	0.23	0.47	0.47	0.28	0.28	0.57	0.57	0.34	0.34	0.25	0.25
	DROUGHT	2.39	2.39	3.55	3.55	4.30	4.30	0.83	0.83	0.60	0.60	0.29	0.29	0.59	0.59	0.36	0.36	0.72	0.72	0.43	0.43	0.33	0.33
Turner Cut	ALL	1.88	1.87	2.79	2.79	3.38	3.37	0.63	0.63	0.47	0.47	0.23	0.23	0.47	0.46	0.28	0.28	0.56	0.56	0.34	0.34	0.25	0.25
	DROUGHT	2.42	2.42	3.59	3.60	4.35	4.35	0.84	0.84	0.60	0.60	0.30	0.30	0.60	0.60	0.36	0.36	0.72	0.73	0.43	0.44	0.34	0.34
San Joaquin River at San Andreas Landing	ALL	1.82	1.82	2.71	2.71	3.28	3.28	0.61	0.61	0.46	0.46	0.23	0.22	0.45	0.45	0.27	0.27	0.55	0.55	0.33	0.33	0.24	0.24
	DROUGHT	2.46	2.46	3.65	3.66	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86	0.61	0.61	0.30	0.30	0.61	0.61	0.37	0.37	0.74	0.74	0.44	0.44	0.34	0.34
San Joaquin River at Jersey Point	ALL	1.83	1.83	2.72	2.72	3.29	3.29	0.61	0.61	0.46	0.46	0.23	0.23	0.45	0.45	0.27	0.27	0.55	0.55	0.33	0.33	0.24	0.24
	DROUGHT	2.46	2.46	3.65	3.65	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86	0.61	0.61	0.30	0.30	0.61	0.61	0.37	0.37	0.74	0.74	0.44	0.44	0.34	0.34
Victoria Canal	ALL	1.87	1.86	2.78	2.77	3.36	3.35	0.62	0.62	0.47	0.47	0.23	0.23	0.46	0.46	0.28	0.28	0.56	0.56	0.34	0.34	0.25	0.25
	DROUGHT	2.43	2.43	3.61	3.62	4.37	4.38	0.85	0.85	0.61	0.61	0.30	0.30	0.60	0.60	0.36	0.36	0.73	0.73	0.44	0.44	0.34	0.34
Western Delta																							
Sacramento River at Emmaton	ALL	1.82	1.82	2.71	2.71	3.28	3.28	0.61	0.61	0.46	0.46	0.22	0.22	0.45	0.45	0.27	0.27	0.55	0.55	0.33	0.33	0.24	0.24
	DROUGHT	2.46	2.46	3.65	3.65	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86	0.61	0.61	0.30	0.30	0.61	0.61	0.37	0.37	0.74	0.74	0.44	0.44	0.34	0.34
San Joaquin River at Antioch	ALL	1.83	1.83	2.72	2.72	3.29	3.29	0.61	0.61	0.46	0.46	0.23	0.23	0.45	0.45	0.27	0.27	0.55	0.55	0.33	0.33	0.24	0.24
	DROUGHT	2.46	2.46	3.65	3.65	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86	0.61	0.61	0.30	0.30	0.61	0.61	0.37	0.37	0.74	0.74	0.44	0.44	0.34	0.34
Montezuma Slough at Hunter Cut/Beldon's Landing	ALL	1.82	1.82	2.71	2.71	3.28	3.28	0.61	0.61	0.46	0.46	0.23	0.23	0.45	0.45	0.27	0.27	0.55	0.55	0.33	0.33	0.24	0.24
	DROUGHT	2.45	2.45	3.65	3.65	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86	0.61	0.61	0.30	0.30	0.61	0.61	0.37	0.37	0.74	0.74	0.44	0.44	0.34	0.34
Major Diversions (Pumping Stations)																							
North Bay Aqueduct at Barker Slough Pumping Plant	ALL	1.82	1.82	2.71	2.71	3.28	3.28	0.61	0.61	0.46	0.46	0.23	0.23	0.45	0.45	0.27	0.27	0.55	0.55	0.33	0.33	0.24	0.24
	DROUGHT	2.45	2.45	3.65	3.65	4.42	4.42	0.86	0.86	0.61	0.61	0.30	0.30	0.61	0.61	0.37	0.37	0.74	0.74	0.44	0.44	0.34	0.34
Contra Costa Pumping Plant #1	ALL	1.84	1.83	2.74	2.73	3.31	3.30	0.61	0.61	0.46	0.46	0.23	0.23	0.46	0.45	0.27	0.27	0.55	0.55	0.33	0.33	0.25	0.24
	DROUGHT	2.45	2.45	3.64	3.65	4.41	4.42	0.85	0.86	0.61	0.61	0.30	0.30	0.61	0.61	0.36	0.36	0.73	0.74	0.44	0.44	0.34	0.34
Banks Pumping Plant	ALL	1.86	1.86	2.77	2.76	3.35	3.34	0.62	0.62	0.47	0.46	0.23	0.23	0.46	0.46	0.28	0.28	0.56	0.56	0.33	0.33	0.25	0.25
	DROUGHT	2.43	2.44	3.62	3.63	4.38	4.39	0.85	0.85	0.61	0.61	0.30	0.30	0.60	0.60	0.36	0.36	0.73	0.73	0.44	0.44	0.34	0.34
Jones Pumping Plant	ALL	1.88	1.87	2.79	2.78	3.38	3.37	0.63	0.63	0.47	0.47	0.23	0.23	0.47	0.46	0.28	0.28	0.56	0.56	0.34	0.34	0.25	0.25
	DROUGHT	2.41	2.42	3.58	3.60	4.33	4.35	0.84	0.84	0.60	0.60	0.30	0.30	0.60	0.60	0.36	0.36	0.72	0.73	0.43	0.44	0.34	0.34

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- 1 Notes:
2 a. All: Water years 1922-2003 represent the 82-year period modeled using DSM2. Drought: Represents a 5 consecutive year (water years 1987-1991) drought period consisting of dry and critical water year types (as defined by the Sacramento
3 Valley 40-30-30 water year hydrologic classification index).
4 b. Dry weight, except as noted for fish fillets.
5 c. Exceedance Quotient = tissue concentration/benchmark
6 d. Level of Concern for fish tissue (lower end of range) = 4 mg/kg dw (Beckon et al. 2008)
7 e. Toxicity Level for fish tissue = 8.1 mg/kg dw (USEPA 2014)
8 f. Level of Concern for bird eggs (lower end of range) = 6 mg/kg dw (Beckon et al. 2008)
9 g. Toxicity Level for bird eggs = 10 mg/kg dw (Beckon et al. 2008)
10 h. Advisory Tissue Level = 2.5 mg/kg ww (OEHHA 2008)
- 11 Alt. = Alternative
12 dw = dry weight
13 mg/kg = milligram per kilogram
14 NAA = No Action Alternative
15 SBC = Second Basis of Comparison
16 ww = wet weight

1 **Table 6D.14 Summary Table for Selenium Concentrations in Biota, and Comparisons for Alternative 3 to No Action Alternative and Second Basis of Comparison Conditions and Benchmarks**

Location	Period ^a	Estimated Concentrations of Selenium (mg/kg, dw ^b)				% Change In Selenium Concentrations Compared to NAA and Alternative 1 (Second Basis of Comparison) ^c								Exceedance Quotients ^d									
		Whole-body Fish	Bird Eggs (Invert. Diet)	Bird Eggs (Fish Diet)	Fish Fillets (ww)	Whole-body Fish		Bird Eggs (Invert. Diet)		Bird Eggs (Fish Diet)		Fish Fillets (ww)		Whole-body Fish		Bird Eggs (Invert. Diet)		Bird Eggs (Fish Diet)		Fish Fillets (ww)			
		Alt. 3	Alt. 3	Alt. 3	Alt. 3	NAA	Alt. 1 (SBC)	NAA	Alt. 1 (SBC)	NAA	Alt. 1 (SBC)	NAA	Alt. 1 (SBC)	LOC ^e	TL ^f	LOC ^g	TL ^h	LOC ^g	TL ^h	ATL ⁱ			
Delta Interior																							
San Joaquin River at Stockton	ALL	1.90	2.83	3.42	0.64	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.47	0.23	0.47	0.28	0.57	0.34	0.25
	DROUGHT	2.39	3.55	4.30	0.83	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.60	0.29	0.59	0.36	0.72	0.43
Turner Cut	ALL	1.87	2.79	3.37	0.63	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.47	0.23	0.46	0.28	0.56	0.34	0.25
	DROUGHT	2.42	3.60	4.35	0.84	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.60	0.30	0.60	0.36	0.73	0.44	0.34
San Joaquin River at San Andreas Landing	ALL	1.82	2.71	3.28	0.61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.46	0.22	0.45	0.27	0.55	0.33	0.24
	DROUGHT	2.46	3.66	4.42	0.86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.61	0.30	0.61	0.37	0.74	0.44	0.34
San Joaquin River at Jersey Point	ALL	1.82	2.77	3.35	0.62	0	0	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	0.46	0.23	0.46	0.28	0.56	0.34	0.25
	DROUGHT	2.46	3.62	4.38	0.85	0	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	0.61	0.30	0.60	0.36	0.73	0.44	0.34
Victoria Canal	ALL	1.86	2.77	3.35	0.62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.47	0.23	0.46	0.28	0.56	0.34	0.25
	DROUGHT	2.43	3.62	4.38	0.85	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.61	0.30	0.60	0.36	0.73	0.44	0.34
Western Delta																							
Sacramento River at Emmaton	ALL	1.82	2.71	3.28	0.61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.46	0.22	0.45	0.27	0.55	0.33	0.24
	DROUGHT	2.46	3.65	4.42	0.86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.61	0.30	0.61	0.37	0.74	0.44
San Joaquin River at Antioch	ALL	1.82	2.71	3.28	0.61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.46	0.23	0.45	0.27	0.55	0.33	0.24
	DROUGHT	2.46	3.65	4.42	0.86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.61	0.30	0.61	0.37	0.74	0.44	0.34
Montezuma Slough at Hunter Cut/Beldon's Landing	ALL	1.82	2.71	3.28	0.61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.46	0.23	0.45	0.27	0.55	0.33	0.24
	DROUGHT	2.46	3.65	4.42	0.86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.61	0.30	0.61	0.37	0.74	0.44	0.34
Major Diversions (Pumping Stations)																							
North Bay Aqueduct at Barker Slough Pumping Plant	ALL	1.82	2.71	3.28	0.61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.46	0.23	0.45	0.27	0.55	0.33	0.24
	DROUGHT	2.45	3.65	4.42	0.86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.61	0.30	0.61	0.37	0.74	0.44
Contra Costa Pumping Plant #1	ALL	1.83	2.72	3.30	0.61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.46	0.23	0.45	0.27	0.55	0.33	0.24
	DROUGHT	2.45	3.65	4.41	0.86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.61	0.30	0.61	0.36	0.74	0.44	0.34
Banks Pumping Plant	ALL	1.86	2.76	3.34	0.62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.46	0.23	0.46	0.28	0.56	0.33	0.25
	DROUGHT	2.44	3.62	4.39	0.85	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.61	0.30	0.60	0.36	0.73	0.44	0.34
Jones Pumping Plant	ALL	1.87	2.79	3.37	0.63	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.47	0.23	0.46	0.28	0.56	0.34	0.25
	DROUGHT	2.41	3.59	4.34	0.84	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.60	0.30	0.60	0.36	0.72	0.43	0.34

- 2 Notes:
- 3 a. All: Water years 1922-2003 represent the 82-year period modeled using DSM2. Drought: Represents a 5 consecutive year (water years 1987-1991) drought period consisting of dry and critical water year types (as defined by the Sacramento
- 4 Valley 40-30-30 water year hydrologic classification index).
- 5 b. Dry weight, except as noted for fish fillets.
- 6 c. % change indicates a negative change (increased concentrations) relative to the No Action Alternative and Second Basis of Comparison when values are positive and a positive change (lowered concentrations) relative to the No Action
- 7 Alternative and Second Basis of Comparison when values are negative.
- 8 d. Exceedance Quotient = tissue concentration/benchmark
- 9 e. Level of Concern for fish tissue (lower end of range) = 4 mg/kg dw (Beckon et al. 2008)
- 10 f. Toxicity Level for fish tissue = 8.1 mg/kg dw (USEPA 2014)
- 11 g. Level of Concern for bird eggs (lower end of range) = 6 mg/kg dw (Beckon et al. 2008)
- 12 h. Toxicity Level for bird eggs = 10 mg/kg dw (Beckon et al. 2008)
- 13 i. Advisory Tissue Level = 2.5 mg/kg ww (OEHHA 2008)
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- 1 Notes (continued):
- 2 Alt. = alternative
- 3 dw = dry weight
- 4 Invert. = invertebrate
- 5 mg/kg = milligram per kilogram
- 6 NAA = No Action Alternative
- 7 SBC = Second Basis of Comparison
- 8 ww = wet weight

1 **Table 6D.15 Summary Table for Selenium Concentrations in Biota, and Comparisons for Alternative 5 to No Action Alternative and Second Basis of Comparison Conditions and Benchmarks**

Location	Period ^a	Estimated Concentrations of Selenium (mg/kg, dw ^b)				% Change In Selenium Concentrations Compared to NAA and Alternative 1 (Second Basis of Comparison) ^c								Exceedance Quotients ^d							
		Whole-body Fish	Bird Eggs (Invert. Diet)	Bird Eggs (Fish Diet)	Fish Fillets (ww)	Whole-body Fish		Bird Eggs (Invert. Diet)		Bird Eggs (Fish Diet)		Fish Fillets (ww)		Whole-body Fish		Bird Eggs (Invert. Diet)		Bird Eggs (Fish Diet)		Fish Fillets (ww)	
		Alt. 5	Alt. 5	Alt. 5	Alt. 5	NAA	Alt. 1 (SBC)	NAA	Alt. 1 (SBC)	NAA	Alt. 1 (SBC)	NAA	Alt. 1 (SBC)	LOC ^e	TL ^f	LOC ^g	TL ^h	LOC ^g	TL ^h	ATL ⁱ	
Delta Interior																					
San Joaquin River at Stockton	ALL	1.90	2.83	3.42	0.64	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.47	0.23	0.47	0.28	0.57	0.34	0.25
	DROUGHT	2.39	3.55	4.30	0.83	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.60	0.29	0.59	0.36	0.72	0.43	0.33
Turner Cut	ALL	1.88	2.79	3.38	0.63	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.47	0.23	0.47	0.28	0.56	0.34	0.25	
	DROUGHT	2.41	3.59	4.34	0.84	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.60	0.30	0.60	0.36	0.72	0.43	0.34	
San Joaquin River at San Andreas Landing	ALL	1.82	2.71	3.28	0.61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.46	0.23	0.45	0.27	0.55	0.33	0.24	
	DROUGHT	2.45	3.65	4.42	0.86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.61	0.30	0.61	0.37	0.74	0.44	0.34	
San Joaquin River at Jersey Point	ALL	1.83	2.78	3.36	0.62	0	0	2	2	2	2	3	3	0.46	0.23	0.46	0.28	0.56	0.34	0.25	
	DROUGHT	2.45	3.60	4.35	0.84	0	0	-1	-2	-1	-2	-2	-2	0.61	0.30	0.60	0.36	0.73	0.44	0.34	
Victoria Canal	ALL	1.87	2.78	3.36	0.62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.47	0.23	0.46	0.28	0.56	0.34	0.25	
	DROUGHT	2.42	3.60	4.35	0.84	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1	0.60	0.30	0.60	0.36	0.73	0.44	0.34	
Western Delta																					
Sacramento River at Emmaton	ALL	1.82	2.71	3.28	0.61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.46	0.23	0.45	0.27	0.55	0.33	0.24	
	DROUGHT	2.45	3.65	4.42	0.86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.61	0.30	0.61	0.37	0.74	0.44	0.34	
San Joaquin River at Antioch	ALL	1.83	2.72	3.29	0.61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.46	0.23	0.45	0.27	0.55	0.33	0.24	
	DROUGHT	2.45	3.65	4.42	0.86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.61	0.30	0.61	0.37	0.74	0.44	0.34	
Montezuma Slough at Hunter Cut/Beldon's Landing	ALL	1.82	2.71	3.28	0.61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.46	0.23	0.45	0.27	0.55	0.33	0.24	
	DROUGHT	2.45	3.65	4.42	0.86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.61	0.30	0.61	0.37	0.74	0.44	0.34	
Major Diversions (Pumping Stations)																					
North Bay Aqueduct at Barker Slough Pumping Plant	ALL	1.82	2.71	3.28	0.61	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.46	0.23	0.45	0.27	0.55	0.33	0.24	
	DROUGHT	2.45	3.65	4.42	0.86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.61	0.30	0.61	0.37	0.74	0.44	0.34	
Contra Costa Pumping Plant #1	ALL	1.84	2.74	3.32	0.61	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0.46	0.23	0.46	0.27	0.55	0.33	0.25	
	DROUGHT	2.44	3.63	4.39	0.85	0	-1	0	-1	0	-1	0	-1	0.61	0.30	0.61	0.36	0.73	0.44	0.34	
Banks Pumping Plant	ALL	1.86	2.77	3.35	0.62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.47	0.23	0.46	0.28	0.56	0.34	0.25	
	DROUGHT	2.43	3.61	4.37	0.85	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1	0.61	0.30	0.60	0.36	0.73	0.44	0.34	
Jones Pumping Plant	ALL	1.88	2.79	3.38	0.63	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.47	0.23	0.47	0.28	0.56	0.34	0.25	
	DROUGHT	2.41	3.58	4.33	0.84	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1	0.60	0.30	0.60	0.36	0.72	0.43	0.34	

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4 Notes:
5 a. All: Water years 1922-2003 represent the 82-year period modeled using DSM2. Drought: Represents a 5 consecutive year (water years 1987-1991) drought period consisting of dry and critical water year types (as defined by the Sacramento
6 Valley 40-30-30 water year hydrologic classification index).
7 b. Dry weight, except as noted for fish fillets.
8 c. % change indicates a negative change (increased concentrations) relative to the No Action Alternative and Second Basis of Comparison when values are positive and a positive change (lowered concentrations) relative to the No Action
9 Alternative and Second Basis of Comparison when values are negative.
10 d. Exceedance Quotient = tissue concentration/benchmark
11 e. Level of Concern for fish tissue (lower end of range) = 4 mg/kg dw (Beckon et al. 2008)
12 f. Toxicity Level for fish tissue = 8.1 mg/kg dw (USEPA 2014)
13 g. Level of Concern for bird eggs (lower end of range) = 6 mg/kg dw (Beckon et al. 2008)
14 h. Toxicity Level for bird eggs = 10 mg/kg dw (Beckon et al. 2008)
i. Advisory Tissue Level = 2.5 mg/kg ww (OEHHA 2008)

- 1 Notes (continued):
- 2 Alt. = alternative
- 3 dw = dry weight
- 4 Invert. = invertebrate
- 5 mg/kg = milligram per kilogram
- 6 NAA = No Action Alternative
- 7 SBC = Second Basis of Comparison
- 8 ww = wet weight

1 **Table 6D.16 Modeled Selenium Concentrations in Water for No Action Alternative and Alternatives 1 (Second Basis of Comparison),**
 2 **3, and 5**

Location	Period *	Period Average Concentration (µg/L) No Action Alternative	Period Average Concentration (µg/L) Alternative 1 (SBC)	Period Average Concentration (µg/L) Alternative 3	Period Average Concentration (µg/L) Alternative 5
Sacramento River at Emmaton	ALL	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.11
	DROUGHT	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
San Joaquin River at Antioch	ALL	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.12
	DROUGHT	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
Montezuma Slough at Hunter Cut/Beldon's Landing	ALL	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11
	DROUGHT	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10

3 Notes:

4 * All: Water years 1922-2003 represent the 82-year period modeled using DSM2. Drought: Represents a 5-consecutive-year (Water Years
 5 1987-1991) drought period consisting of dry and critical water-year types (as defined by the Sacramento Valley 40-30-30 water year hydrologic
 6 classification index).

7 µg/L = microgram per liter

8 SBC = Second Basis of Comparison

1 **Table 6D.17 Summary of Annual Average Selenium Concentrations in Whole-body Sturgeon**

Location	Period *	Estimated Concentrations of Selenium in Whole-body Sturgeon (mg/kg, dw) No Action Alternative	Estimated Concentrations of Selenium in Whole-body Sturgeon (mg/kg, dw) Alternative 1 (SBC)	Estimated Concentrations of Selenium in Whole-body Sturgeon (mg/kg, dw) Alternative 3	Estimated Concentrations of Selenium in Whole-body Sturgeon (mg/kg, dw) Alternative 5
Sacramento River at Emmaton	ALL	4.16	4.11	4.08	4.20
	DROUGHT	6.96	6.92	6.91	7.09
San Joaquin River at Antioch	ALL	4.56	4.40	4.34	4.61
	DROUGHT	7.06	6.99	6.97	7.23
Montezuma Slough at Hunter Cut/Beldon's Landing	ALL	4.33	4.27	4.24	4.35
	DROUGHT	7.10	7.07	7.06	7.16

2 Notes:

3 * All: Water years 1922-2003 represent the 82-year period modeled using DSM2. Drought: Represents a 5-consecutive-year (Water Years
4 1987-1991) drought period consisting of dry and critical water-year types (as defined by the Sacramento Valley 40-30-30 water year hydrologic
5 classification index).

6 dw = dry weight

7 mg/kg = milligram per kilogram

8 SBC = Second Basis of Comparison

1 **Table 6D.18 Comparison of Annual Average Selenium Concentrations in Whole-body Sturgeon to Toxicity Thresholds^a**

Location	Period ^b	No Action Alternative Low	No Action Alternative High	Second Basis of Comparison Low	Second Basis of Comparison High	Alternative 3 Low	Alternative 3 High	Alternative 5 Low	Alternative 5 High
Sacramento River at Emmaton	ALL	0.83	0.52	0.8	0.51	0.8	0.51	0.8	0.52
	DROUGHT	1.4	0.87	1.4	0.86	1.4	0.86	1.4	0.9
San Joaquin River at Antioch	ALL	0.9	0.57	0.9	0.55	0.9	0.54	0.9	0.6
	DROUGHT	1.4	0.88	1.4	0.87	1.4	0.87	1.4	0.9
Montezuma Slough at Hunter Cut/ Beldon's Landing	ALL	0.87	0.54	0.85	0.53	0.85	0.53	0.9	0.54
	DROUGHT	1.4	0.89	1.4	0.88	1.4	0.88	1.4	0.9

2 Notes:

3 a. Toxicity thresholds are those reported in Presser and Luoma (2013): Low = 5 mg/kg, dw and High = 8 mg/kg, dw

4 b. All: Water years 1922-2003 represent the 82-year period modeled using DSM2. Drought: Represents a 5-consecutive-year (Water Years 1987-
5 1991) drought period consisting of dry and critical water-year types (as defined by the Sacramento Valley 40-30-30 water year hydrologic
6 classification index).

7 dw = dry weight

8 mg/kg = milligram per kilogram

9 SBC = Second Basis of Comparison

1 **Table 6D.19 Percent Change in Selenium Concentrations Relative to No Action Alternative and Second Basis of Comparison**

Location	Period *	Alternative 3 NAA	Alternative 3 Alt1 (SBC)	Alternative 5 NAA	Alternative 5 Alt 1 (SBC)
Sacramento River at Emmaton	ALL	-2.0	-0.7	0.9	2.2
	DROUGHT	-0.8	-0.1	1.8	2.5
San Joaquin River at Antioch	ALL	-4.7	-1.3	1.2	4.8
	DROUGHT	-1.2	-0.2	2.5	3.5
Montezuma Slough at Hunter Cut/Beldon's Landing	ALL	-2.2	-0.7	0.5	2.1
	DROUGHT	-0.5	-0.1	0.8	1.2

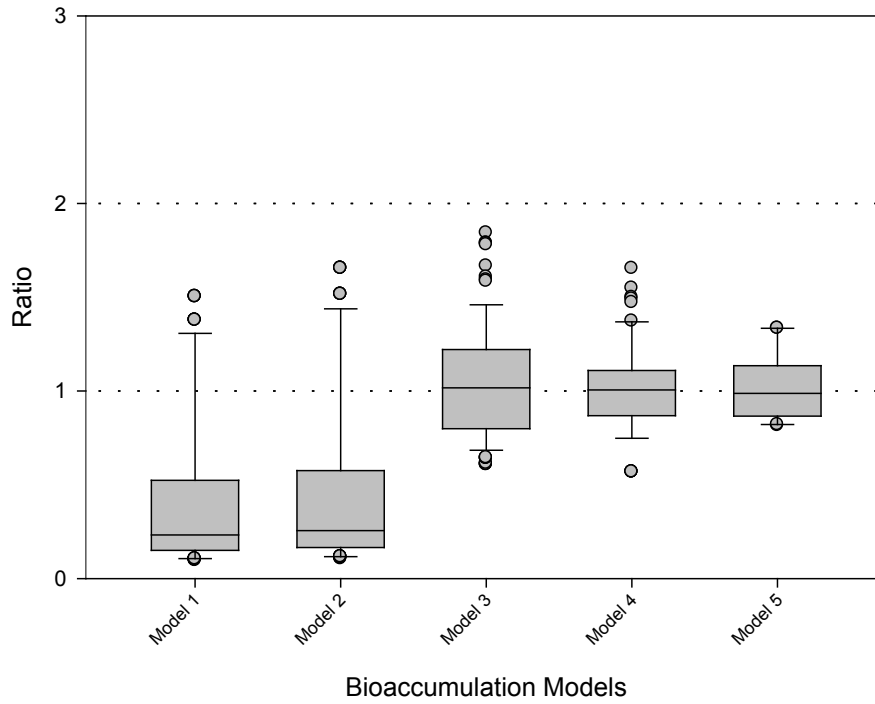
2 Notes:

3 * All: Water years 1922-2003 represent the 82-year period modeled using DSM2. Drought: Represents a 5-consecutive-year (Water Years 1987-
4 1991) drought period consisting of dry and critical water-year types (as defined by the Sacramento Valley 40-30-30 water year hydrologic
5 classification index).

6 dw = dry weight

7 mg/kg = milligram per kilogram

8 SBC = Second Basis of Comparison



For Models 1 and 2, default values ($K_d = 1000$, $TTF_{invertebrate} = 2.8$, $TTF_{fish} = 1.1$) were used in calculations as follows:

Model 1=Trophic level 3 (TL-3) fish eating invertebrates

Model 2= TL-4 fish eating TL-3 fish

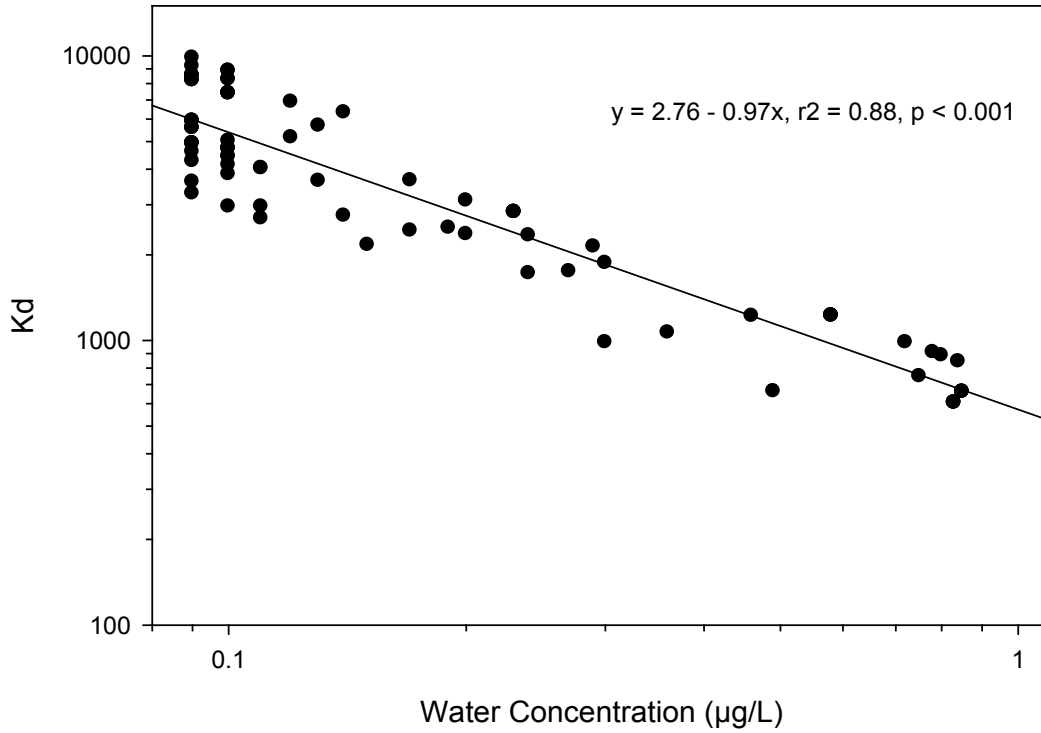
Model 3=Model 2 with K_d estimated using all years regression ($\log K_d = 2.76-0.97(\log DSM2)$)

Model 4=Model 2 with K_d estimated using normal/wet years (2000/2005) regression ($\log K_d = 2.75-0.90(\log DSM2)$)

Model 5=Model 2 with K_d estimated using dry years (2007) regression ($\log K_d = 2.84-1.02(\log DSM2)$)

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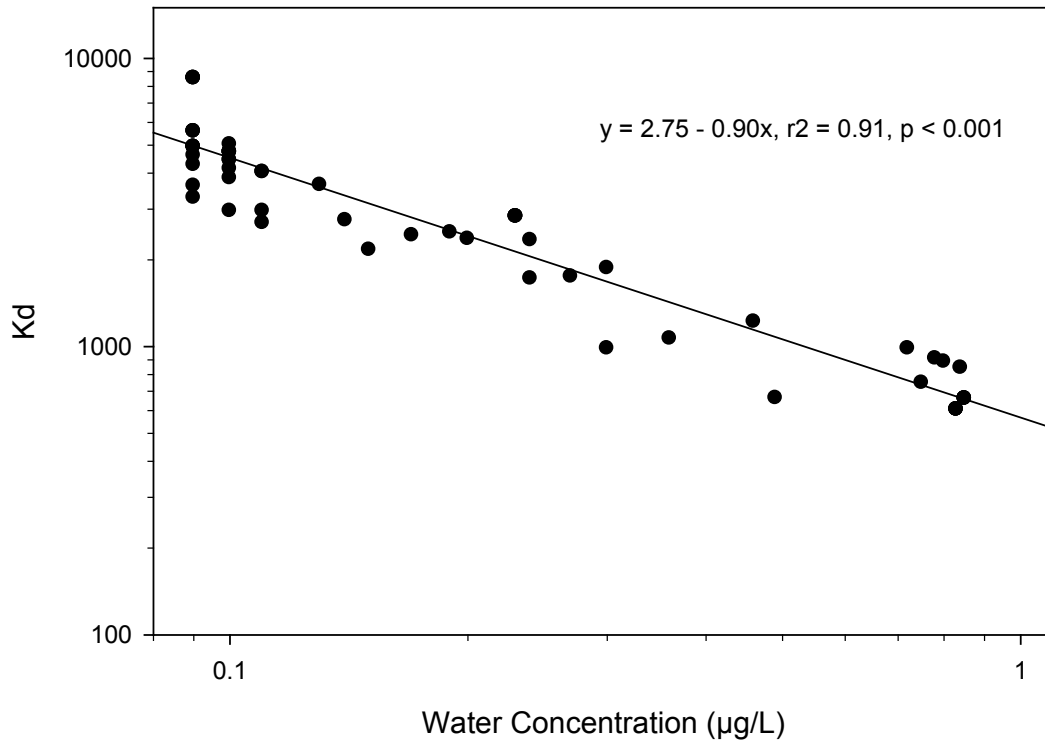
2 **Figure 6D.1 Ratios of Predicted Selenium Concentrations in Fish Models 1 through**
 3 **5 to Observed Selenium Concentrations in Largemouth Bass**



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2 **Figure 6D.2 Log-log Regression Relation of Estimated K_d to Waterborne Selenium**
3 **Concentration for Model 3 in All Years (Based on Years 2000, 2005, and 2007)**

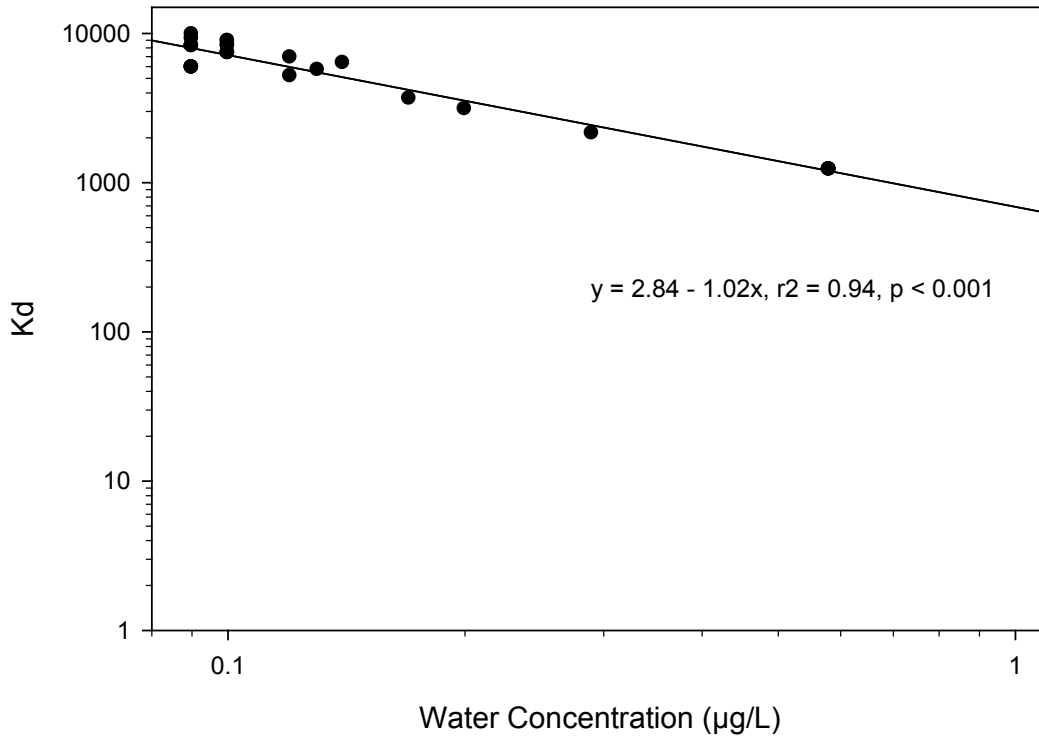
4 To predict the K_d (y) from water concentrations using the regression equation, take the
5 log of the water concentration (x), multiply it by the slope (-0.97), which gives a positive
6 number for $x < 1$ (i.e., waterborne selenium concentrations less than 1 $\mu\text{g/L}$); then add this
7 number to the intercept (2.76) and take the antilog.



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2 **Figure 6D.3 Log-log Regression Relation of Estimated K_d to Waterborne Selenium**
 3 **Concentration for Model 4 in Normal/Wet Years (Based on Years 2000 and 2005)**

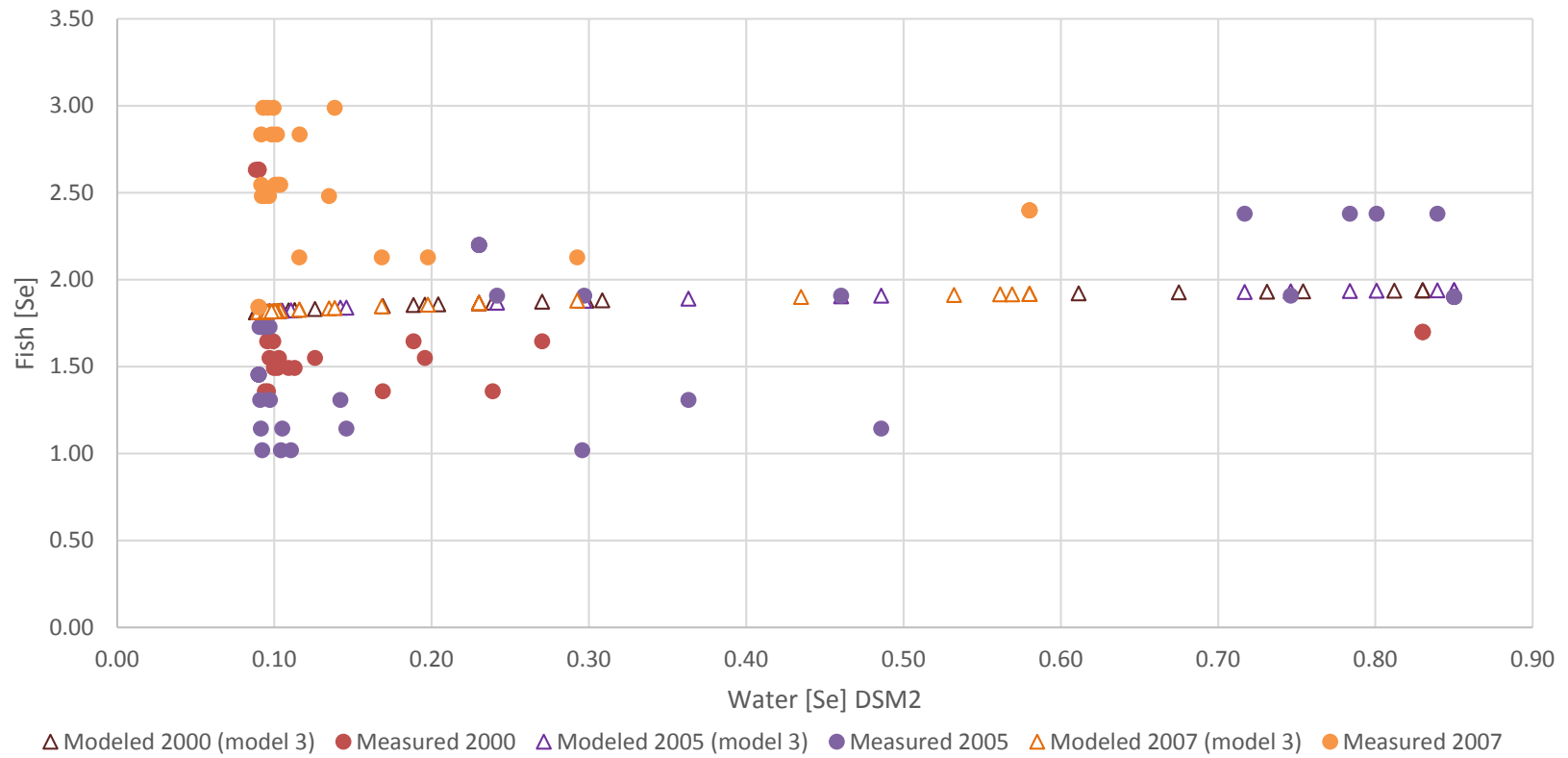
4 To predict the K_d (y) from water concentrations using the regression equation, take the
 5 log of the water concentration (x), multiply it by the slope (-0.90), which gives a positive
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 7 number to the intercept (2.75) and take the antilog.



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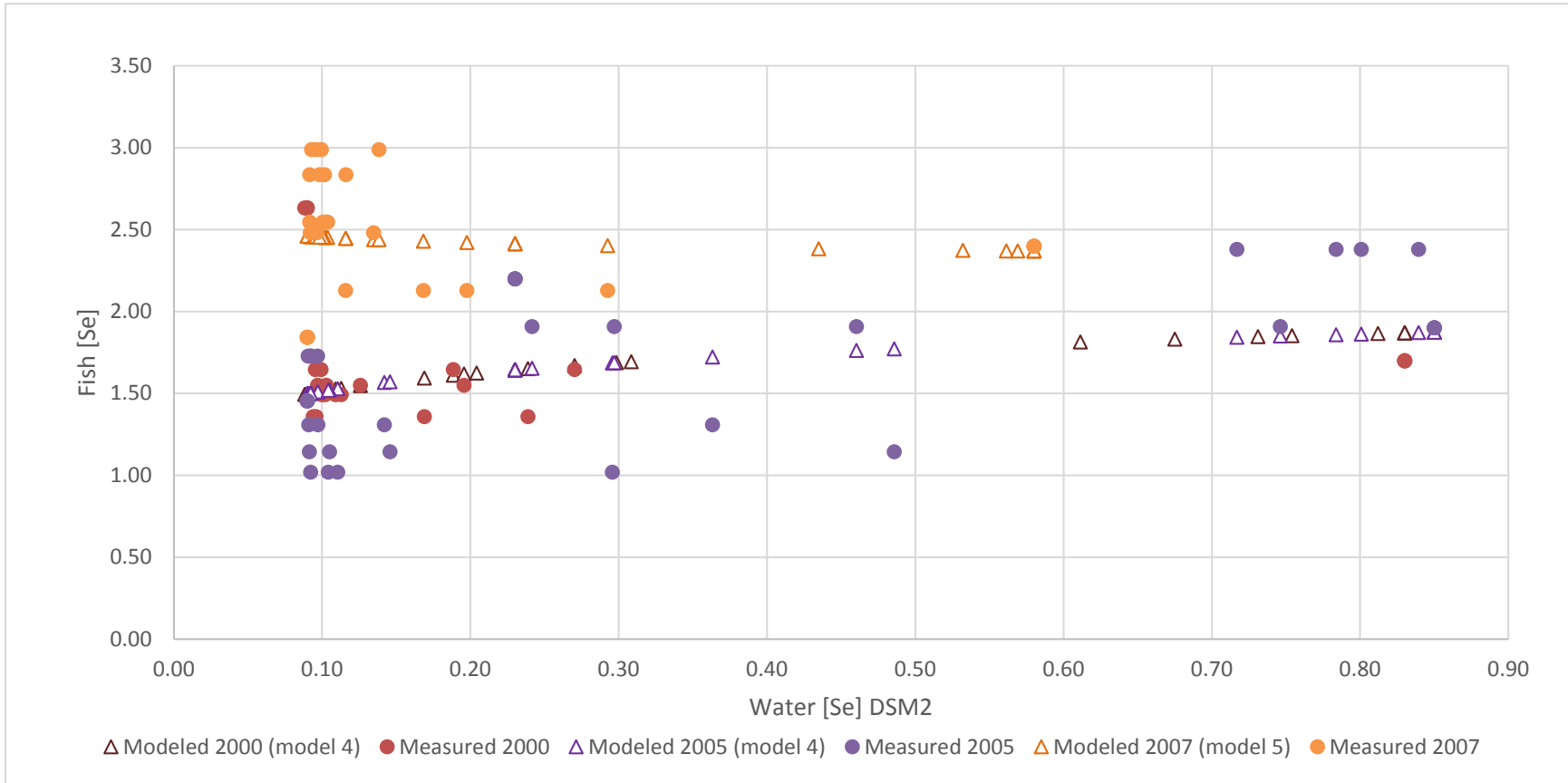
2 **Figure 6D.4 Log-log Regression Relation of Estimated K_d to Waterborne Selenium**
 3 **Concentration for Model 5 in Dry Years (Based on Year 2007)**

4 To predict the K_d (y) from water concentrations using the regression equation, take the
 5 log of the water concentration (x), multiply it by the slope (-1.02), which gives a positive
 6 number for x < 1 (i.e., waterborne selenium concentrations less than 1 µg/L); then add this
 7 number to the intercept (2.84) and take the antilog.

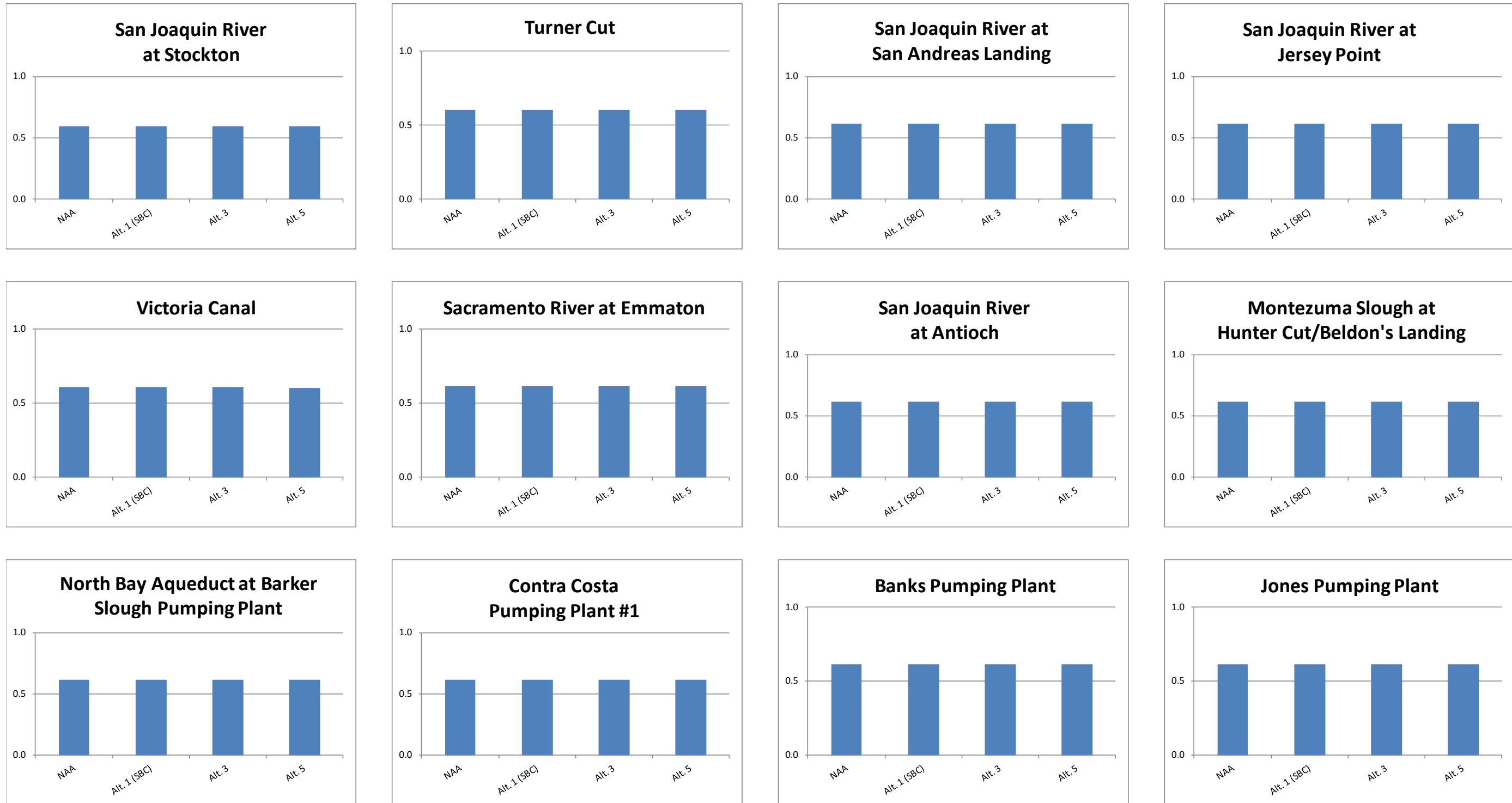


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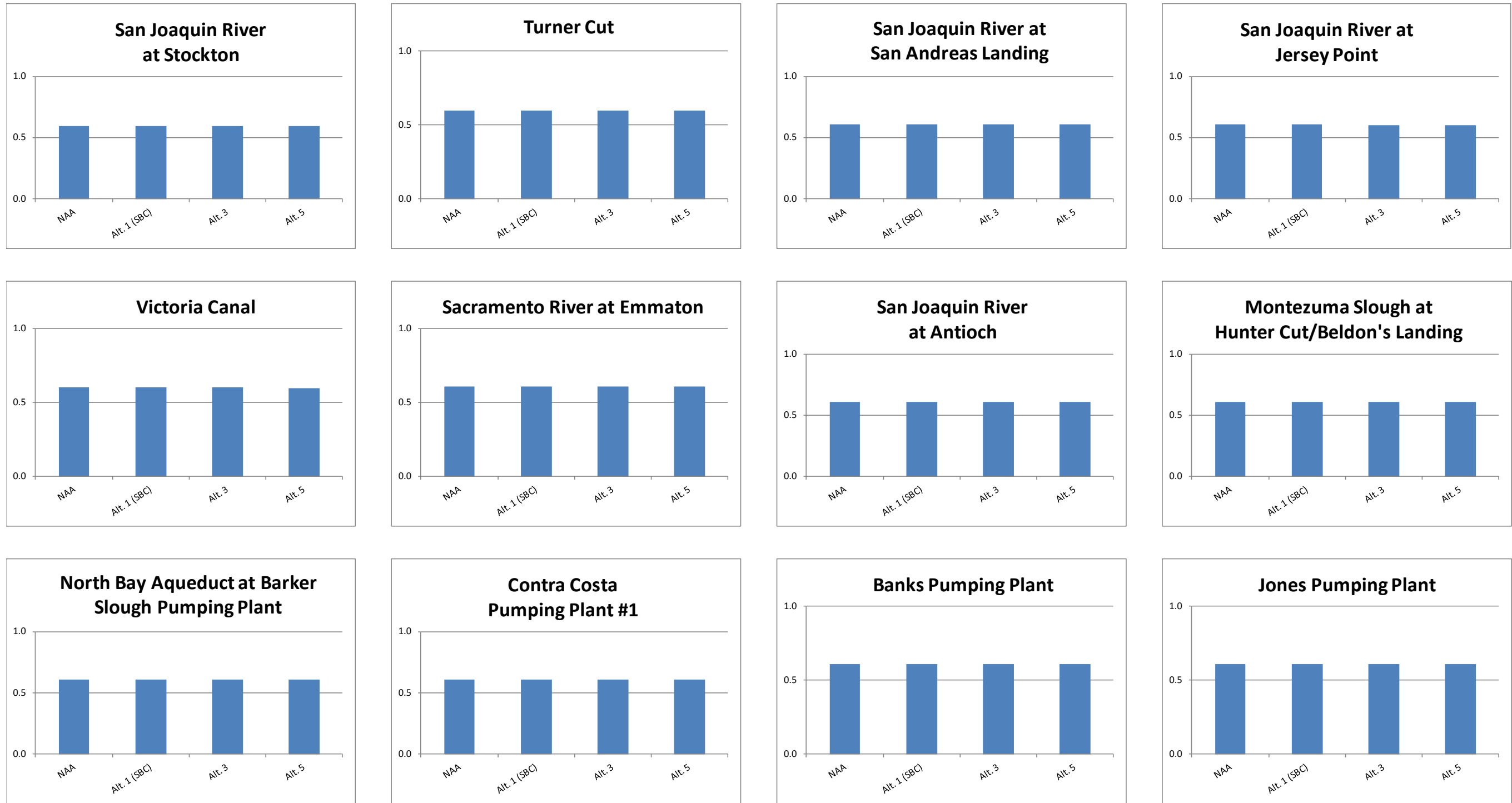
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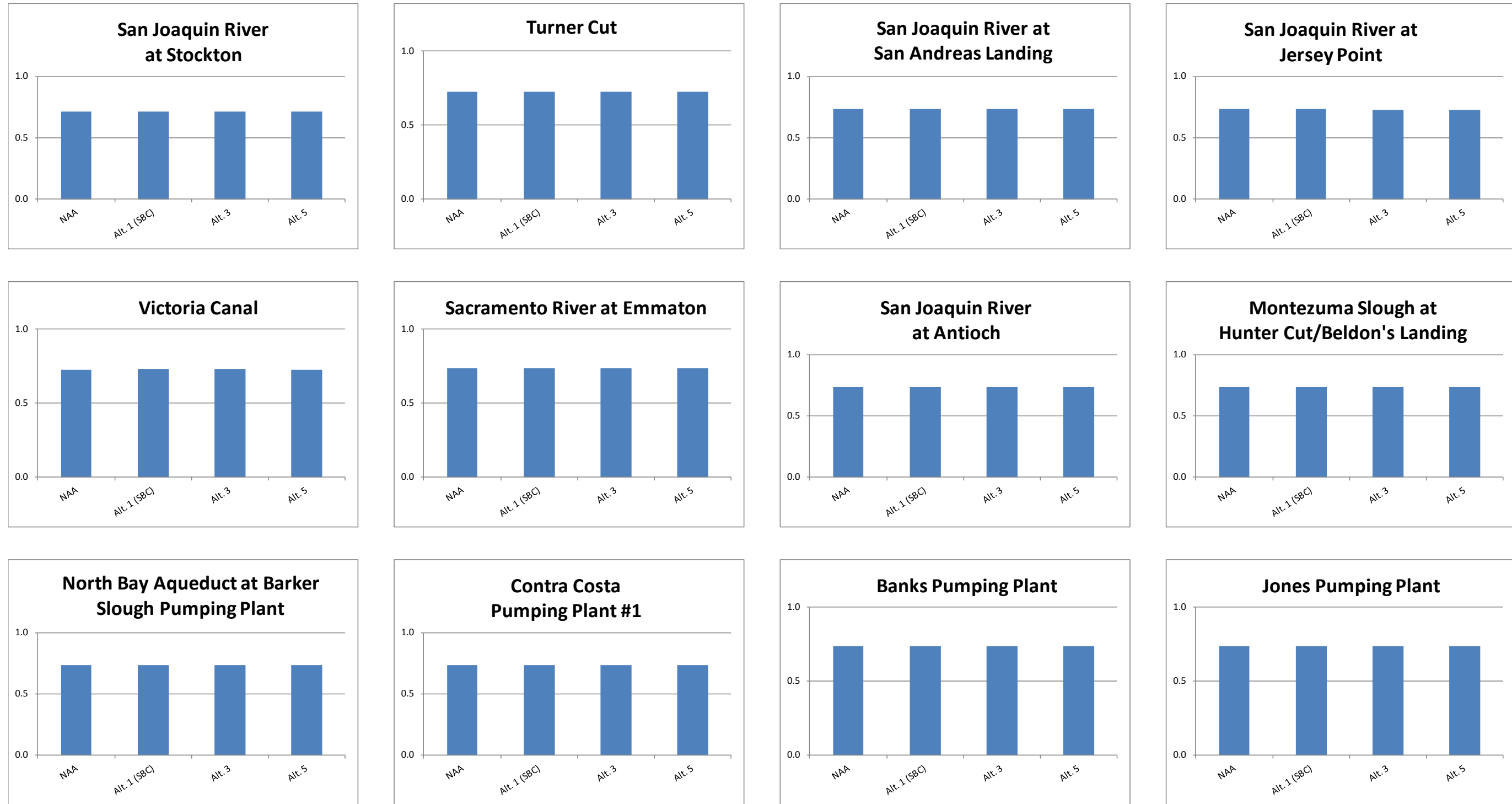
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 3 **and Model 5**



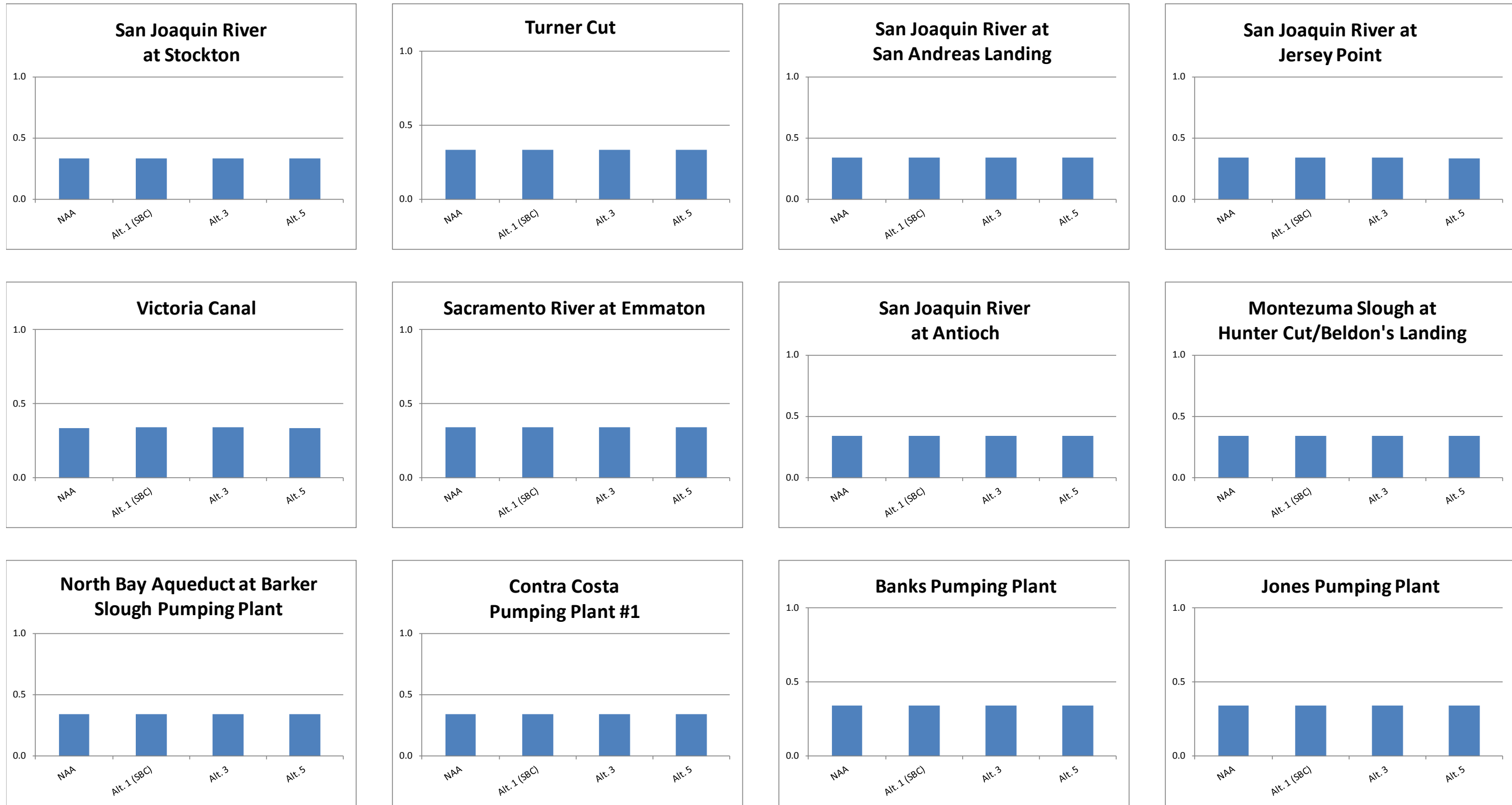
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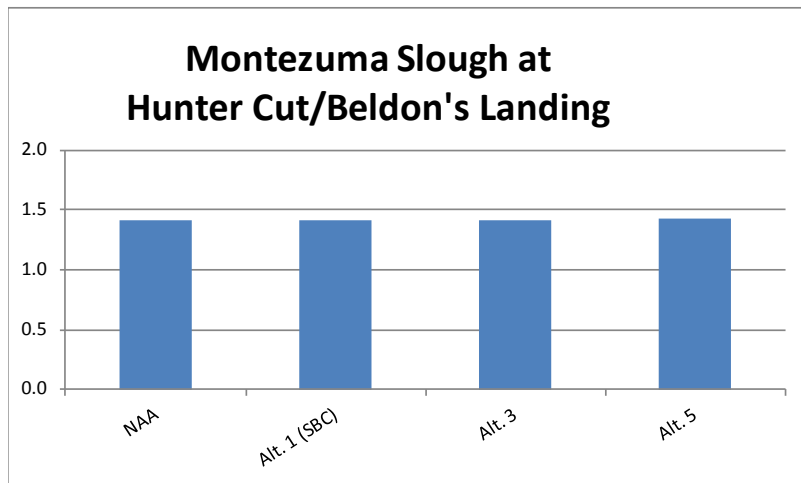
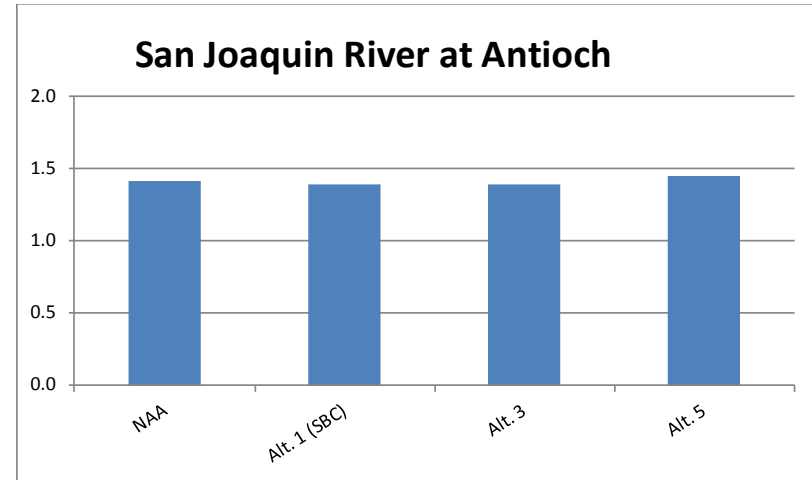
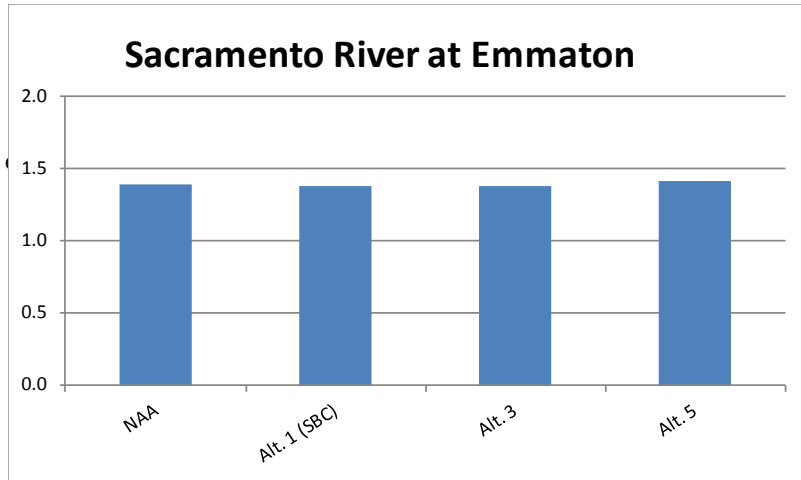
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2 **Figure 6D.9 Level of Concern Exceedance Quotients for Selenium Concentrations in Bird Eggs (Fish Diet) for Drought Years**



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2 **Figure 6D.10 Level of Concern Exceedance Quotients for Selenium Concentrations in Fish Fillets (wet weight) for Drought Years**



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2 **Figure 6D.11 Low Toxicity Threshold Exceedance Quotients for Selenium Concentrations in Whole-body Sturgeon for Drought Years**

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