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Supervisor William O'Brien, Chair
Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors
1010 10th St., Suite 6500
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Subject: Draft Multiple Property Listing National Register Nomination, the Central Valley
Project: Historic Engineering Features to 1956, California

Dear Supervisor O'Brien:

The Bureau of Reclamation is pleased to provide the draft National Register of Historic Places (National Register) Multiple Property nomination entitled *Central Valley Project: Historic Engineering Features to 1956* for your review. Due to the wide geographic scale of the Central Valley Project (CVP) and the multiple counties that it crosses, Reclamation has uploaded the nomination to a Reclamation website. All parts of the draft nomination can be accessed at the following site: <http://www.usbr.gov/mp/mp150/mp153/docs/>.

Authorized by the Rivers and Harbors Act in 1935, the CVP is one of the most ambitious Federal water storage, transfer, and delivery systems conceived and implemented in American history. This National Register Multiple Property Listing provides a historic context of the project and describes criteria for listing components of the CVP on the National Register. Reclamation is seeking your comments on the draft nomination in compliance with the regulations at 36 CFR Part 60.4.

The review period for the draft nomination will last until March 17, 2008. If you have any questions or comments on the National Register Multiple Property Listing for the Central Valley Project, please direct them to BranDee Bruce, Architectural Historian, at 916-978-5039, or bbruce@mp.usbr.gov.

Sincerely,

FOR Susan M. Fry
Regional Environmental Officer