

# Delta Mercury Control Program

## *Informational Item* *Update on the Stakeholder Process*



# History

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- April 2008 Hearing
- Meetings with Dept. of Water Resources and Bay-Delta Conservation Plan
- September: contract with Center for Collaborative Policy (CCP)

# Stakeholder Meetings

- Nov-Dec: CCP conducted stakeholder assessment interviews (~60)
- Monthly meetings since Dec (5)

# Stakeholders

- Wastewater
- Stormwater
- Water management
- Flood control
- Irrigated agriculture
- Wetlands
- Environmental justice
- Environmental groups
- State and federal agencies

# Workgroups

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- Principles
- Wastewater treatment
- Adaptive Management Framework
- Assurances

# Bifurcated Approach

## Part 1:

- Technical TMDL (total maximum daily load: objectives, allocations)
- Adaptive Implementation Plan Framework and schedule
- Goal: Fall 2009 Hearing

# Bifurcated Approach

## Part 2:

- Stakeholders develop detailed implementation plan
- Includes prioritizing and conducting control studies for mercury and methylmercury sources

# Challenges

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- Funding the stakeholder process
- More inclusion of environmental and environmental justice representatives

# Schedule

- Original schedule was to finish initial stakeholder meetings by mid-May and Board hearing in Oct 09
- Proposed schedule: delay hearing until Jan/Feb 2010
- We are making progress. Is it reasonable to extend the schedule by a few months?

