

# TEMPLATE FOR IEP PWT PROPOSALS

(Note: XXX is a placeholder for the PWT topic)

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**Proposal for the formation of:**

**Interagency Ecological Program XXX Project Work Team**

**(Co-)Chairs: Name, Affiliation**

**Date**

## **I. The Interagency Ecological Program (IEP)**

*The following introductory text can be used as is or modified to better fit the proposed PWT.*

IEP is a consortium of nine state and federal agencies that conducts research and monitoring in the San Francisco Estuary (SFE). For the past 40 years, IEP scientists and its partners (e.g. universities, NGOs) have worked to: 1) describe the status and trends of aquatic ecological factors of interest in the SFE; 2) develop an understanding of environmental factors that influence the resources of the SFE; and 3) provide information to support natural resource planning, management, and regulatory activities in the estuary. One of the most effective tools for IEP activities and collaboration has been the formation of Project Work Teams (PWTs) that focus on specific research and monitoring topics of interest. The purpose of the PWTs includes: organizing new studies, reviewing study plans and proposals, writing scientific papers and reports, promoting collaboration among different groups working on the topics of interest and conducting integrated analyses and synthesizing of SFE data sets. All IEP PWTs are open to the public. More information about IEP PWTs and a calendar with PWT meeting information is available at IEP's website <http://www.water.ca.gov/iep/activities/teams-iep.cfm>.

## **II. Relevance of XXX to Bay-Delta Science and Management and to the IEP**

*This can include a brief history about previous team efforts, a brief summary of ongoing scientific efforts, and relationships with other science and/or management teams*

## **III. Proposal to form the XXX PWT**

*Describe why this PWT is needed, what its goals are, and how they will be accomplished. You may also describe what the PWT will not do.*

#### **IV. Examples of Invited PWT Activities**

*List activities with short explanations. Where appropriate, note potential products.*

**Activity 1: ...**

**Activity 2: ...**

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